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NAME COMMITTEES FOR REVIVAL SERVICES

Union Services To Be Held in Tent Beginning Sunday, May 16

SPECIAL MUSIC PLANNED

The people of Denton and vicinity are to have the privilege of engaging in one of the biggest evangelistic campaigns that has ever come to Denton. This campaign will open on Sunday evening, May 16th and continue until Sunday, June 6th, inclusive.

Dr. Cook, the well-known evangelist will have charge of the service and Prof. Vignuelle will lead the singing.

Four churches—Christ P. E., Denton M. E., Denton M. P., and the Church of the Brethren—will co-operate in this campaign. All the churches of the county, however, are invited to attend these meetings. The meetings will be held in a large tent with a seating capacity of 1500 people. This tent will be pitched on the corner of 5th avenue and Franklin street.

There will be committees from the four churches to carry on the various phases of the campaign. These committees will meet at the Denton M. P. church on Friday, May 7th, at 7:30 p. m.

In addition to the preaching of Dr. Cook and the singing of Prof. Vignuelle it is hoped to have a choir of a hundred or more voices.

All are invited to attend these meeting each evening as well as the morning prayer meetings and noon-day meetings in the stores and shops. Every one is needed in this plan. Every Christian is urged to make these meetings a matter of special prayer and to co-operate in every way for God's blessing upon this community.

The committees named for the three churches will be found below. Christ church will name its committees tomorrow evening.

M. P. CHURCH COMMITTEES

The following persons have been named to serve on various committes for the Dr. Cook evangelistic campaign to be held in Denton May 16th to June 6th, inclusive, from the M. P. Church of Denton. All persons on these committees are urged to attend a committee meeting on Friday evening at that church.

Executive: T. P. Fisher, W. S. Crouse Mrs. T. O. Crouse.

Prayer meeting: Mrs Lula Hinderer, Dr. T. O. Crouse, Mrs. Annie Clough.

Publicity: G. H. Rue, J. Ed Nichols, Cecil Blake.

Finance: T. P. Fisher, Samuel Nowell, E. D. Kimmey.

Personal Workers: T. M. Baxter, Mrs T. P. Fisher, Walter George.

Ushers: R. B. Beauchamp, Lee Walston, Wilmer Parker.

Young People's: Mrs. Charles Howard, Miss Pauline Roe, Miss Emma Clark.

Music: Mrs. G. H. Rue, Mrs. G. J. Hooker, Walter Rutter.

Entertainment: Mrs. T. P. Fisher.

Survey: Miss Mattie Moore, Mrs. Fannie Shields.

Conservation: C. H. Roe, Mrs. Margaret Finn.

M. E. CHURCH COMMITTEES

Executive: J. H. Nichols, J. L. Everngam, C. L. Walls.

Publicity: B. F. Johnson, Dr. F. J. Wright.

Personal Work: F. Baynard, Miss Myrtle Dukes, Miss Ida Simmons.

Finance: F. L. R. Nuttle, W. I. Norris.

Music: Mrs. Lednum, N. Rickards, Mabel Duffey, Mrs. Oran Smith.

Prayer Meetings: Mr. Walter Sparklin, H. R. Lewis, Mrs. F. R. Owens.

Ushers: Ed Breeding, Ormond Andrew, Lester Everngam, Wesley Thawley.

Entertainment: Mrs. W. R. Fountain.

Young People's Work: Anna Jackson, Edna Shipman, W. I. Norris, Jr.

Survey: Mrs. F. J. Wright, Mrs. Harry Ramsdall.

Conservation: Mr. S. G. Bye, Mrs. Clara Whitby, Mrs. Ledly.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN COM.

Executive: Norman Rairigh, Dr. Whistler.

Publicity: G. A. McDaniel.

Personal Work: Miss Sue Seese, Mrs. Elizabeth Arnold.

Finance: C. A. Pentz, Frank Zeigler.

Music: Miss Ruth Holsinger, Miss Ruth Krabill.

Prayer Meeting: Mrs. Cora McDaniel.

Ushers: Joe Blough, Earl Crouse, Mervin Pentz.

Y. P. Work: Virginia Spicher, John Reinhold, Marie Pentz.

Conservation: Mrs. Mary Rairigh.

Survey: Mrs. Lettie Seese.

MEDITATIONS OF THE CRACKER

Dear Folks—I know you're waitin' to receive my weekly spiel, but my thots at calculatin' are some run down at the heel; I can't espouse a subject that will meter, jibe or rhyme, and the things I feel like sayin' maybe'd shock your gentle minds. For my face is scratched and swollen, and my legs with thorns are filled, my clothing is crestfallen and my shoes are "wusser" still; my "galluses" are busted, there's abrasions on my heel; so please excuse my cussin' for, By Heck! I'm seein' red. Perhaps there maybe poets, who can elevate their muse, an' be sore and never show it, and some lofty bouquets strew; but right here I am allowin' there's two jobs that will not match, writin' poetry an' plowin', in an old blackberry patch.

DENTON BOYS WIN POINTS AT MEET

There were three meets held last Saturday, May 1st, at the University of Maryland, Baltimore. The first was a dual meet between the University of Maryland and the University of Virginia. This meet was very closely contested but the University of Virginia came out with 1.5 points ahead of the University of Maryland.

The next meet was held for the Southern Atlantic high schools and prep schools of North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia. Dan Crouse, of Caroline high school, Denton, took 4th place in this meet in the running broad jump. Mervin Pentz, also of Caroline high school, took third place in the high jump. Mr. Pentz was entered with 46 other contestants from various parts of the Southern Atlantic states.

Caroline high school took one-half point in the interscholastic meet with the two boys entered.

The third meet was a meet of the county high schools of Maryland. Dan Crouse took first place in the running broad jump and second place in the 100 yard dash, giving Caroline high school a total of 8 points and making Crouse next to the highest scorer on the field in that meet.

FIRE DAMAGES STOCK ROOM OF E. S. G. & E. CO.

Last Monday evening about 9 o'clock a still alarm of fire was sounded and a number of the firemen responded with the engine to the stock room of the Eastern Shore Gas and Electric Co., located on the alley back of the C. & P. Telephone building.

Workmen had been cleaning a motor and testing it when all of a sudden it began to blaze and the saturated floor soon spread the fire. For a while it looked as though there was going to be a serious conflagration but with the aid of chemicals and water the fire was put out, although the heat, as well as the fire, caused considerable damage to the electric fixtures stored in the building. It is thought the loss will amount to about $500.

CONCERT IN C. H. S. AUDITORIUM TONIGHT

There has been a great demand for tickets for the concert tonight which will be the feature of music week in Caroline high school. This concert, which is held under the auspices of the Girls' Glee Club, is for the benefit of musical supplies for the school. The program has been arranged with the idea of pleasing every one, and includes classical numbers, Negro spirituals and many of the light, airy things so very appropriate to this time of the year.

The girls will be assisted in some of the numbers by a chorus of men, while the school orchestra, boys' glee club, juvenile symphony orchestra, and vocal solos will also be heard.

Mrs. J. Kemp Stevens, county musical director, will direct the concert, with Mrs. G. H. Rue at the piano. ing is the program.

TRI-COUNTY W.C.T.U. MEETS AT EASTON

Talbot, Dorchester and Caroline Women Convene. Officers Elected

Easton, May 5—The annual convention of the Tri-County W. C. T. U., comprising Talbot, Dorchester and Caroline, was held here today. This morning the executive committee met, followed by reports of the corresponding secretaries and the treasurer, an address by the president, Miss Caphronia Collins and the election of officers, as follows: President, Mrs. L. G. Frazier, Hurlock; vice-president, Miss Grace Moore, Royal Oak; corresponding secretary, Mrs. M. A. Loux, Hurlock; recording secretary, Mrs. Anna E. Merrick, Trappe, and treasurer, Miss Mary S. Jump, Easton.

In the afternoon, Mrs. Ira Arnold, Denton, led devotional service, followed by reports of superintendents. Mrs. B. Holly Smith, Mrs. Mary Harris Armor, Miss Mary Jump, Mrs. Mary R. Haslup, State president, of Baltimore, and Mrs. G. W. McCullough, of Port Deposit, spoke.

Mrs. Thomas Cover, of Easton, in charge of the Loyal Temperance Legion, gave a demonstration with the children.

Tonight Mrs. Haslup had charge of devotion and Mrs. Armor delivered an address on temperance and the enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment.

MISS NICHOLS GUEST OF HONOR AT SHOWER

The Misses Anne Anthony, Carlotta Kinnamon and Eleanor Willis entertained at the home of Miss Anthony last Saturday evening, in honor of the next Spring bride, Miss Pauline Nichols.

Invitations to the guests had requested each to come in an old-fashioned costume and the result was many queer and laughable gowns and hats. When the guests arrived they were shown to seats which had been arranged in church style, and soon the strains of the wedding march announced a mock wedding. Miss Jane Wine, the bride, and Miss Kathleen Moore, the groom, were united in marriage by Mrs. J. W. Meussen, minister, in a laughable wedding ceremony, much to the delight of all the guests. Misses Anthony and Kinnamon were the ushers and Miss Willis the flower girl. The bride's bouquet, which was later presented to Miss Nichols, was an elaborate arrangement of brushes, cleverly wrapped in tissue paper and mixed with real flowers. After the bridal couple had gone away they returned bearing the remainder of the gifts intended for the real bride.

Following the ceremony the guests played bridge until a supper was served, consisting of chicken salad, Maryland biscuits, pickles, coffee, ice cream, fancy cakes, and yellow and white mints. The color scheme of the affair was yellow and white, carried out not only in the decorations and supper, but in the corsage bouquets which were given as prizes for the high and low bridge scores, and in the old-fashioned nosegays which were the favors for the guests.

Those attending this very beautiful party were Mrs. William Nuttle, Mrs. Benjamin Johnson, Mrs. J. Ed Nichols, Mrs. Lester Everngam, Mrs. J. W. Muessen, Mrs. Owen Knotts, Mrs. Ed Breeding, Mrs. J. H. Summerfield, Mrs. M. E. Anthony, and the Misses Louise Fisher, Dorothy Miller, Catharine Stewart, Emily and Frances Johnson, Pauline Nichols, Virginia Harwood, Anne Lewis, Eleanor Willis, Carlotta Kinnamon and Ann Anthony.

M. & D. C. SHOWS PROGRESS IN 1925

Report to Stockholders Shows Net Earnings $20,679. Expect Big Year in 1926

At the annual stockholders' meeting of the Maryland and Delaware Coast Railway Company in Baltimore recently, the general manager, Mr. J. W. Muessen, gave a detailed report concerning the business of the road, a part of which we are pleased to quote below. The report shows that the road is on a paying basis and with normal conditions this year, should make a paying proposition from now on.

A summary of the report follows:

The gross earnings of the Maryland and Delaware Coast Railway Company for the year ending December 31, 1925, were $93,053. 53 and the gross expenses were $83,016.63, receipts in excess of expenses being $10,036.90. This does not take into consideration the interest on bonds, all the bonds not having been distributed. Added to this, supplies on hand, amounting to $2,142.72 purchased out of earnings gives net earnings of $12,179.62. Added to this $8,500.00 charged to operation which should have been charged to capital brings the total net earnings up to $20,679.62, which is about $9,000.00 above interest requirements on the outstanding bonds.

The directors authorized the issuance of $125,000 6 per cent ten year equipment trust notes to purchase new equipment to take care of the summer traffic.

The year 1925 presented somewhat different conditions than the year 1924, in that the fruit crop was a failure, there was no coal moved on account of the coal strike and no mine props hauled out. We were able however, to get contracts for hauling stone for road building from Five Corners to Waples Mills, Del. Our station at Overbrook being centrally located for this business, we were fortunate in getting a contract which took the place of the revenue lost from the fruit crops, coal and mine props, which the road should have had under normal conditions.

We are now hauling material for three and one half miles of road building from Milton and delivering same at Milton. Timber and mine props are rather plentiful in this territory, there being enough on the road, the B., C. & A., and the Delaware Division of the Pennsylvania, to produce 1,000 carloads for the next twenty years.

During the year 1925, the company purchased from the J. G. Brill Company of Philadelphia, one Model No. 65 combination passenger and baggage gasoline driven rail motor car and trailer, equipped with 154 h.p. Sea-Gull motor. The total weight of the car and trailer is 58,000 pounds, with seating capacity of 77 passengers, and a compartment for baggage. The cost of this unit was $31,594.00.

During the year approximately 4,000 ties were installed at a cost of $8,000. The condition of the track is very much improved and with the installation of approximately 4,000 this year, the road will be in very excellent condition. The bridge over the Choptank river at Denton needs some attention and this is now being given by a competent bridge engineer to see what necessary strenghtening and replacements this will need.

During the year 1924 a new locomotive was purchased from the Baldwin Locomotive Company. Owing to the lack of equipment this locomotive has been put to a severe test.

The Eastern Shore—Del-Mar-Va Peninsula Association was formed the early part of January, 1926, and is raising a considerable amount of money for the purpose of exploitation and advertising the peninsula. This should be of great benefit to the transportation systems. It has always been and still is my firm belief that this section of the country if given the opportunity will equal any other section of the United States which has been developed by booms for a number of years. The soil is such that it will produce almost anything needed for the market.

The fact should not be lost sight of that the Del-Mar-Va peninsula is within twenty-four hours delivery of a number of large cities with populations totaling 15,777,291 people.

Mother's Day To Be Observed

There will be a special program commemorating Mothers' Day at the Church of the Brethren on Sunday evening, beginning at 7:30. Everyone is invited.

DON'T FORGET

MOTHER'S DAY

SUNDAY, MAY 9th

ANDERSON—CARTER

On Tuesday evening, May 4th, at 7:30 Miss Ella Margarette Carter and Mr. Eugene George Anderson were united in marriage. The ceremony took place in the Methodise Episcopal church, which was most beautifully decorated for the occasion in white lilacs and pine branches. The pulpit was banked with the green, the altar rail was a mass of lovely lilacs, while candles shed their mellow glow over all. Big bunches of lilacs were tied with white ribbon to the seats reserved for the family and guests.

Mrs. J. Mulford Swing, of Ridgely, was at the organ and prior to the ceremony, played many of the appropriate selections. About 7:30 the bridal party entered the church, to the strains of the Lohengrin wedding music, the bride on the arm of her father. She was especially lovely in her gown of white satin, trimmed in lace and pearls, with her long tulle veil, and a bridal bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley. Her matron of honor was Mrs. Cornelius DeWeese, of Washington, who wore a gown of green georgette trimmed with crystal beads, and a green picture hat and carried yellow roses. The bridesmaids were the Misses Mary and Willifred DeWeese, Miss Margaret Jones and Miss Elizabeth Pastorfield, all wearing pink georgette and pink picture hats and carrying pink roses. Miss Dorothy DeWeese and Miss Charlotte Anne Pastorfield were dainty flower girls, also dressed in pink georgette, who carried baskets of flowers, which they dropped in the path of the bride.

Mr. Anderson, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Anderson, of Denton, had as his best man Mr. Paige Comegys, of Philadelphia, while the ushers were Mr. Jack D. Carter, of Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Va.; Mr. William McKenney, of Centreville; Dr. Dawson O. George, of Denton, and Mr. J. Mulford Swing, of Ridgely.

When the bridal party had reached the altar, all lights in the church were extinguished save the candles, and in their lovely light, the Rev. Francis I. Kirwan, irector of Christ Episcopal Church, read the ceremony which united the happy couple. The Rev. Melvin E. Wheatley made the prayer. Mr. Kirwan, at the end of the service gave special congratulations and words of advice to the bride and groom, who then left the church to the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March.

A reception at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Carter, followed the church service. Here an orchestra played during the evening, while the many friends of the couple showered best wishes and congratulations on them and enjoyed a delicious wedding supper .

At 9:30, the young couple left amid a veritable downpour of confetti. Mrs. Anderson wore an ensemble costume of gray and blue, with gray hat and shoes. They are taking a wedding trip to various northern points, and will make their home in Wilmington, N. C., where Mr. Anderson is engaged in business.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are very popular all through the county. Mrs. Anderson studied the music course at Maryland College, Lutherville, Md., and for several years following, taught music here. Mr. Anderson attended Tome Institute and later graduated from Brooklyn Polytechnic and for six years was connected with the State Roads Department of Maryland. At present he is employed by the General Engineering and Management Corporation of New York, in Wilmington, N. C. He was chief of the Denton Volunteer Fire Company until his departure, a few months ago, and the firemen, in full dress uniform, attended the wedding in a body.

Among the out-of-town guests at the wedding were Dr. and Mrs. Cornelius DeWeese and children, Dorothy and Billy, of Washington; Miss Willifred DeWeese, Mrs. J. Kennard Jones, Miss Margaret Jones, Mr. Paige Comegys, Mr. Walter Daly, Mr. Howard Covey and Mr. William McCollum, all of Philadelphia; Miss Mary DeWeese, of Montrose, Pa.; Mr. Jack D. Carter, of Lexington, Va. Many friends throughout the county were also guests.

DEN-MAR MOBILE CO. IN NEW QUARTERS

The Den-Mar Mobile Co., who recently sold their garage on 2d street, have completed moving into their new altered building on 3d street, where they have a show room that is comparable to any on the shore.

In its new location the company will handle the sales of the Chevrolet motor car and do a general garage business; but will handle no storage work, as their space will not permit. Gasoline, accessories and repairs will be handled as usual.

DECLAMATION CONTEST FRIDAY NIGHT

Federalsburg, Greensboro, and Ridgely Named by Judges

Federalsburg won first place in the annual county Declamation Contest which was held in the auditorium of Caroline High School last Friday evening. As usual, there was a large attendance, more than filling the large auditorium. Prior to the appearance of the contestants on the stage, the school orchestra entertained the crowd with several popular songs very well played.

Professor Noble accompanied the contestants to the platform, and after a very few words introduced the first speaker, Mr. John Lankford, of Federalsburg. Mr. Lankford gave "The Burgomaster's Death" in most dramatic style, and won much applause, not only from his schoolmates, but from the entire audience. He was followed by the Ridgely representative, Miss Nellie Jackson, who won third place with the much lighter excerpt from Rip Van Winkle. "The Swan Song," as given by Miss Margaret Koerber, of Preston, took the audience back into the realms of the dramatic, and altho Miss Koerber was not mentioned by the judges in the awarding of places, it was the general opinion of the audience, as, following the contest, expressions of personal opinion were heard on all sides, that Miss Koerber had handled the story in a very masterful way.

Miss Hake, who was one of the stars of the recent Senior play, represented C. H. S. in the contest, with the poem, "The River of Stars." While this was a very beautiful selection, it was not as well liked by the audience for the reason that it was a bit difficult to understand. Miss Hake delivred it exceedingly well, but it was not of as popular a type as the others. Miss Bessie Stevenson, who was one of the winners in last year's contest, was given second place with her "Cigarette." This was a pleasing number, and well delivered. The last entrant was Miss Myrtle Bryant, of Henderson, who gave Kipling's famous poem, "Gunga Dhin." Miss Bryant won much applause for the splendid delivery.

While the judges made their decisions the schools were heard in musical selections. The Federalsburg Glee Club gave the Toreador Song from Carmen. Miss Marguerite Holsinger, of Ridgely, gave a piano solo, War March of the Priests, from Athalia, by Mendelssohn. Preston was represented by her boys' glee club, a new organization this year, which sang "Croon, Croon Underneath the Moon." The boys were clad in white trousers and dark coats, and made a very stunning appearance, in addition to singing this light, pretty song very well.

The C. H. S. Glee Club was next heard in the selection "Open Wide the Gates of Spring," which they gave in delightful style. The Greensboro girls followed with "Bella Napoli," and the Henderson girls sang "The Thrush," both numbers winning much applause. All of these choruses were directed by Mrs. J. Kemp Stevens, county musical director.

The appearance of one of the judges was the signal for instant silence. The winners were announced as those representing Ridgely, third place; Greensboro, second place; Federalsburg, first place. Loud bursts of applause greeted each announcement. Mr. Lankford will represent the county at the shore contest to be held at Washington College on May 21.

TOAD HOLLOW BREVITIES

Dave Gooslum says that there are folks who think that they're a public necessity, when in reality they're nothin' but a public luxury.

Hank Alderbush allows that the difference between a visionary man and a man of vision, is that a visionary man is always after something out of his reach, while a man of vision takes what he can get.

Pete Doolittle says that automobiles can go faster than the old hoss used to, but they don't know the way home so well when a feller's got the head ache.

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