

THE NEWS OF THE COUNTY.

VENEDOCIA.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Gansett returned to Lima, after spending a day or two in Venedocia and enjoying the Eisteddfod.

John E. Hughes returned to his work in Lima. He had been at home for a couple of weeks, nursing the mumps.

Miss Margaret Owens returned, Monday, from the Queen City, where she had gone to be present at the graduating exercises of the Maine Medical college.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Jones and Edwara, are spending a few days at Winona Lake, attending the graduating exercises. Morgan Palmer Jones is one of the graduates.

Miss Bertha Steel, of Pleasant Mills, Ind., is visiting friends for a few days.

Will Jones, of Lima, attended the Eisteddfod and called on his many friends.

Armeda and Verona Davies, of Delphos, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Davies, over the Eisteddfod.

David Pugh has taken charge of the telephone office as night operator. David understands the business thoroughly.

Mrs. Peter Morgan and son, Dewitt, and daughter, spent a few days visiting relatives and friends, also attending the Eisteddfod.

Hugh and David Jones, of Cincinnati, were at home for the Eisteddfod, with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. David E. Jones.

Dr. and Mrs. Wm. T. Morgan are at home from Philadelphia, for a short time with Mr. Morgan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Morgan.

Miss Margaret Jones, of Van Wert, was here for the Eisteddfod, and calling on her many friends.

D. C. Morris left, Saturday, for the West.

John D. Jones and Evan Thomas were in Van Wert, the first of the week, attending court.

Morgan Davies has returned to Lima college, after spending a few days at home. He will be one of the graduates in the business department.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. C. Jones and children will leave, Monday, for a trip, through the West. They will go from here to Denver, Col.

The I. O. O. F. Lodge of Venedocia, will hold memorial services, Sunday, the 9th instant, at three o'clock at the Cambrian Hall. Hon. Ivar Hughes, of Columbus, will deliver an address. Good music will be furnished by the male chorus. Come one, come all.

GLENN CENTER.

Quite a number of our farmers have decided to work their corn fields over and replant their corn, but all have concluded to wait until the effects of the flood are past to begin operations.

Peter Snowwater, of near Warsaw, Ind., is visiting in these parts with friends and relatives.

Grandma Kreischer is visiting with her son, Joseph, of Convo.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Manly and two youngest daughters visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Myers, Sunday afternoon.

Arthur Giessler called on Zelma Miller, Sunday.

Adolph Bollenbacher purchased a new buggy.

The old grange hall at Dasie has been papered and given a general overhauling, a much needed improvement. On account of the inclement weather, which occasioned a lack of attendance Tuesday evening, the degree work was postponed until next regular meeting.

The funeral over the remains of the late Mrs. Albert Finkhouse was held Sunday at the Dasie M. E. church, conducted by Rev. Priddy. Interment in the Harrison cemetery.

Mrs. Caroline Kreischer is having her barn re-roofed with galvanized iron.

FOREST WOOD.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Sawyer attended the Miller reunion, near Lima, last week.

Mrs. A. D. Hodell and sons, Lisle and Don, of Ft. Wayne, Don C. Westerbeld, of Dayton, and E. H. Hester, of Wapakoneta, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Baleyat.

Miss Sarah Swick entertained the following young ladies at dinner, Sunday: Misses Dora Haines, Hazel Deem, Mae Brouson and Margaret King.

About fifty of Miss Anna Walters' many friends gave her a very pleasant surprise, last Friday evening.

Little Miss Bernice Gilliland spent a few days last week with her sister, Mrs. Fred Johnson.

W. M. Keltner, who has been quite poorly all spring, is reported much better.

Miss Melvia Swick, of Convo, and Miss Edna Fensler, of Ottawa, have returned to Convo, after visiting at the home of C. C. Swick.

SOUTH-EAST PLEASANT.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Chilcote, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Priddy and Mr. and Mrs. Orlo Green and daughter were the guests of W. H. Zellner and wife, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Myers, of Van Wert, were the guests of their son, Clark Myers, Sunday afternoon.

Will Lee was the guest of his parents, Monday and Tuesday.

W. J. Lee lost a fine cow, by getting into the barn and eating too many seed potatoes.

WIDE-A-WAKE CORNERS.

Rev. Mygrant preached an excellent sermon, Sunday morning.

Children's day exercises will be observed at St. Peters church. Date not decided upon.

Miss Mabelle DeLong has returned home from a few days' visit with friends in Willsnre.

Miss Lena Handwerck is assisting Mrs. James Hertel with her house work.

William Johnson, of Decatur, Ind., was in our midst, Monday.

Harry Fugate and wife and Hugh Fugate spent Sunday after church with Mr. and Mrs. S. A. McGee.

Miss Lucy Grunewald, of Persimon, Oklahoma, arrived last evening, for a visit with her sister, Mrs. James Hertel.

Chapman Walters and sisters, Jennie and Daisy, entertained the following after church, Sunday: Rev. Mygrant and daughter, Miss Golda E. Wise and John Kiser.

Mrs. Bert Cully and son, Harold, and mother, Mrs. Walters, and daughters, Jennie and Daisy, called on Mrs. J. A. Wise and daughters, Wednesday.

Bert Cully and wife, accompanied by Mrs. Walters, returned to Willsnre, Sunday morning, by the sudden death of his grandfather, Mr. Nye. He is well known here, having visited frequently at the Walters' home.

James Hertel has the misfortune of having a very valuable horse sick of spinal disease, in Van Wert. The animal fell on the street, while being driven by Sam Grunewald.

A children's day worship will be conducted by their pastor, Rev. Wisely. at North Liberty M. E. church, June 9th, in the morning.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hertel is improving, after a siege of tonsillitis.

Mrs. George Wise is some better. She was very sick last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gipe, of Van Wert, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Chapman, of Chicago, visited at the home of Sam Gamble, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Petit have returned to their home in Convo, after spending a couple of weeks at Bert Parkers.

Amos Parker is at home from a visit with friends and relatives in the eastern part of the state.

DOG CREEK.

Everything is overflowing around here.

Elmer Cowgill called on R. C. Gardner, Tuesday.

The Stemen carpenters have finished Mr. Fegley's house.

Rev. Charles Cramer, of Spencer, Miss Maud Cramer, of Van Wert, Mrs. Chapman and daughter, Harriet, were guests of Mrs. J. W. Kensler, Friday.

Geo. Reed and wife spent Sunday with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Binkley, of Allen county, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Francis Binkley.

Mrs. Chas. Longwell is much better. Mrs. Lon Ireland spent Sunday with her father.

Mrs. Truman Stinemetz is better. The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Counsellor is a little better.

Murray Hossom was at home over Sunday.

Henry Saum is a little better.

Social Event.

A most delightful social event was given by Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Foster, on Wednesday evening, at their home near Middle Point. The Jacobs' Orchestra, of Van Wert, furnished music for the occasion, to the delight and appreciation of all present. A bountiful lunch was served by the hostess. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Jacobs, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Potter, Miss Eva Baleyat, Chas. Wilson, F. R. German, of Van Wert; Rev. F. Albert, of Paulding, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bitner, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Beagler, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Mobler, Mr. and Mrs. M. Eikenberry, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Strahlen, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Walborn, Mr. and Mrs. Rev. H. C. TerVehn, Mrs. Ellen Manship, Mrs. Susan Foster, Miss Dolly Veach, Herman Walborn, Miss Stella Walborn, Ralph Veach.

Gallery Gods.

The gallery is blasé as compared with the rest of the house. It knows all the tricks of the craft. It does not give itself with quite the same abandon to the emotional moment, but it knows when a thing is done to its liking, and it expresses opinions with unmistakable directness.

It was in "The Queen of the White Slaves." I remember, that a scene occurred where the villain in a climax of insolence struck the unhappy brother of the heroine in the face with his gloves.

You could hear the blow to the seat of the top gallery and the wicked laugh that accompanied it. The audience recoiled, caught its breath, and above the storm of hisses that ensued you heard a shrill shout from amid the gods: "Riff him back, George!"

As George had been previously drugged with opium by Lionel it was obviously impossible for him to take the hint, but the uproar continued until Lionel, with a leer and another fiendish laugh, left the stage—Harry James Smith in Atlantic.

His Innocent Wife.

"Is your husband keeping his promise to abstain from drinking?" asked Mrs. Wise.

"Oh, yes, faithfully," replied Mrs. Nevil.

"Are you sure? It's pretty hard for a man to resist the temptation."

"Yes, but he tells me he's found a substitute which he eats whenever he feels tempted to take a drink, and what do you suppose it is? 'Cloves!'"

Every good action prompts a repetition thereof.

EISTEDDFOD.

Highly Successful Event Held at Venedocia on Memorial Day.

List of Winners of the Musical and Literary Numbers—Patriotic Demonstration.

The Eisteddfod, held in Venedocia, Decoration Day, under the auspices of the Men's League of the Presbyterian church, was a decided success. Prof. William Apudoc, of Chicago, adjudicator of music, and Rev. William Sordival, of Gomer, adjudicator of recitations, were on hand early for the opening sessions and were kept busy until after twelve o'clock that night. They performed their arduous task in an intelligent and instructive manner. A splendid spirit pervaded the whole contest. One of the most pleasing features of the day, that kept the Eisteddfod in touch with the spirit of memorial day, was the parade to the cemetery, at 1:30, and the brief services held there, conducted by Rev. D. Evans Jones and J. A. Gordon.

D. D. Two old soldiers from Middle Point, Charlie Davis and Mr. Belch, had come over to assist in the work. Col. Jones, from Minnesota, was also present and, in the grave yard, took charge of the children and had them form a skirmish line and march across the cemetery, decorating the graves as they went. At the close, the children, led by Prof. Apudoc, sang heartily, "America."

The following is a complete list of the subjects and successful competitors:

Solo for children, under 8 years, out of 18 contestants, Lucile Evans won the first prize.

Recitation for boys under 10 years, first prize, David Emylin Morris, second prize, Lewis Gwynlin Jones.

Duet for girls under 15 years, the first prize was divided between Mildred Jones and Margaret Thomas.

Elizabeth Leona Alban won first place on Penmanship for children under 12.

The recitation, "Little Angel" for children under 7 years was won by Lucile Evans, while the second prize was divided between Owen Morris and Daniel Evans Jones, Jr.

Mildred Jones won first prize on solo for girls between 8 and 12 over ten competitors.

The catechism test for little children under 12, was a very pleasant feature of the morning session. There were seven on the stage—Elizabeth Leona Davies, David Emylin Morris, Margaret Bebb Morris, David Cramer Jones, Hagard Bell Jones, Stanley Morgan, Haydn Morgan. The examiner failed to turn but one down and he only made the mistake of adding a word that was not in the answer. The whole class of seven received a prize.

The solo for boys 12 to 16, was won by Edward Howell Roberts.

The first prize for recitation, girls under 10, was divided between Lillian Jones and Margaret Bebb Morris, Esther Jones receiving the second prize.

Solo for boys 12 to 16, prize was won by Mildred Jones.

Piano solo for girls under 14 was won by Mildred Jones.

In the trio for girls under 18 years, the prize was won by Elizabeth Bebb, Gladys and Eunice Jones.

The essay, "Revolutionary Period in American History," Prof. W. T. Shimp, Delphos, adjudicator, was won by Persis Jones.

There were two children choruses in the contest led, by Miss Eunice Evans and Miss Ann Williams. The prize was divided between them.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Duet for boys under 16 years. The prize was divided between Ambrose Breese and Oswald Jones and Haydn Evans and Thomas Roberts.

The first prize for recitation, "Off With Your Hat as the Flag Goes by" was divided between Frances Jones and Margaret Thomas and the second prize given to Mildred Jones.

Alto solo, "Tis All I Ask." Miss Myrtle Evans, the only contestant, was declared well worthy the prize.

The shorter catechism test was participated in by eleven young people. They all did interesting work. Those who failed, simply did so by omitting or adding a word to the answer. The following gave correct answers to every question and each received the prize of 50 cents: Myrtle Morgan, Margaret Jones, Katie Evans, Eva Carlisle and Persis Jones.

Baritone solo, under 21 years. The prize was divided between Dewitt Morgan, from Scott, and Richard Chapman.

Recitation, "Mother's Room." First prize, Glenon Morris; second, Homer George.

Soprano solo, "My Rosary" was won by Miss Mabel Strother.

Ada Catharine Jones won first prize on essay on Decoration Day.

Recitation, "I Cannot turn the Key and the Boy Outside," was won by Alton Jones.

Duet for girls 13 to 16, Elizabeth Breese and Gladys Jones.

Male quartet under 21, won by the following party: Thomas Roberts, Ambrose Breese, Griff Otis Roberts and Owen Roberts.

Penmanship, 1st Cor. 13. Prof. J. I. Miller, Delphos, adjudicator, won by Miss Mary Jones.

Recitation, "Jonathan and John." The prize was divided between the two contestants, John Rhys Roberts and Clarence Evans.

The most interesting contest of the afternoon was the Public School Chorus. There were three in the race, Pugh school, led by Haydn Evans, Venedocia Intermediate room, led by Edward Howell Roberts and Venedocia High school, led by Thomas R. Owens.

The leading choruses won the highest commendation of the adjudicator. The Pugh school chorus won first prize.

EVENTING SESSION.

Tenor solo, won by J. B. Jones. Drawing of Presbyterian church was won by Morris George.

Soprano and alto quartet, prize divided between Myrtle and Zelma Evans and Eva Jones and Estella Morris.

Baritone solo, Dan O. Evans was the

only contestant and he received the highest words of commendation from the adjudicator for his excellent rendition.

Three schools had sent in representatives on the oration, "American Flag." Blodwin Jones, from Auglaize school, Howard Zeigler, from Whitfield and John Rees, from Venedocia school. This was one of the finest competitions of the day. The three young people did nobly, bringing down the house with stanzas of applause. There were so much of merit in each, that the adjudicator felt constrained to divide the prize of \$5.00 between the three.

Two girls' choruses appeared on the platform, and sang beautifully, "Hw Merrily the Mill Goes." The prize was won by Welsh chorus, led by Miss Eunice Evans.

The duet, tenor and bass, was divided into two classes. In class A, D. O. Evans and Elwyn Parry won first prize. In class B, Olwyn Owens and Ogwen Parry.

Recitation, "Modern Cain." Miss Ada Jones won.

Eleanor Jones won on the piano solo. Ladies quartet, was won by the following party: Elizabeth Jones, Elizabeth Breese, Eunice Jones and Gladys Jones.

The essay on the English Bible was won by John Hughes.

Male quartet. Prize given to R. F. Evans, J. H. Jones, Luther Evans and D. C. Evans.

Mixed quartet, winners, Zelma Evans, Myrtle Evans, Eldon Parry and Russell Evans.

Mixed chords was won by the Welsh chorus, led by Miss Eunice Evans.

WHEN BOSTON SHOOK.

An Earthquake That Rocked the City November, 1755.

On November 13, 1755, "a little after 1 on a serene and pleasant night," Boston was roused by an earthquake which lasted nearly five minutes. A writer of the times gives an account of the catastrophe, and Rev. Henry White quotes it in his "Early History of New England."

One hundred chimneys were leveled to the roofs of the houses and fifteen hundred windows shattered in part. The streets were covered with bricks which had fallen. The ends of brick houses were thrown down.

It was first introduced with a noise like several coaches rattling over pavements, or rather like many cart loads of paving stones thrown down. The first motion was a strong pulsation, which threw my house upward. Immediately after a tremor succeeded, then instantly a quick vibration with sudden jerks followed.

The first view I had was of the steeples of the churches, and I was glad to see them standing, but the spindles and vane of Faneuil Hall market were thrown down.

Many persons ran into the streets, shrieking with apprehension of its being the last day or the judgment, and some thought they heard the last trumpet sounding and cried for mercy. The beast creatures loved, the birds fluttered in surprise, and all the animal creation was filled with terror. Every face looked ghastly, and many knees smote together. Never was such a scene of disaster in New England before.

Why He Did Not Marry.

As a reason for not marrying Brahms once wrote to a friend: "At the time when I should have wished to marry, my compositions were either hissed at or at any rate very coolly received. I knew their worth, though, and that sooner or later the page would be turned, and in unmarriageable solitude I never really took my reverses to heart. But to be questioned by a wife at such moments, to have her inquiring eyes anxiously fixed upon me, to hear her ask, 'Again a fiasco?' no, that I could never have borne, for, however much she loved me and believed in me, I could not have expected her to have unwavering faith in my subsequent victory. And had she attempted to console me! Ugh! I can't even think of it. It would have been little less than hell!"—Monthly Review.

Convenient Arrangement.

"What are you buying now?" "I am looking for some present to give my wife on her birthday. I tell you, making presents costs a heap of money."

"How don't you do as I do? I have never failed to make my wife a present on her birthday every year for twenty-five years, and I am not out a penny thus far."

"How do you manage it?" "It is very simple. After we were married, when her birthday came round, I gave her a \$5 note. When my birthday came round, she gave me the note back, and we have kept that up ever since, and neither of us is out a penny."—London Tit-Bits.

Like Calling For a Drink.

A hard drinker was told by his doctor that he could be cured if every time he felt that he must have a drink he would immediately take something to eat instead. The man followed the advice and was cured, but the habit of asking for food had become so fixed with him that once he was nearly locked up as a lunatic. He was stopping at a hotel, and hearing a great commotion in the room next to his, he peeped over the transom to see what the matter was. He saw and shouted madly down to the office and rushed to the clerk: "Ham and egg sandwich, please!"

The Honduran Mule.

Perform of ages, can it be? That time, repenting of the past, Hath tardily tried in history long The due at last?

The heavy burden and the load The world hath heaped upon my back Have found reward in cuss and goad And sounding whyle.

The horse hath pranced through rhyme and song (Even one of wood at Troy got fame), But who hath tried in history long To boost thy game?

But now across the wires we're told Of how a thief with burglarious tool Attended a stable, pinched an old Honduran mule.

And how the Nicaraguan who Pinched that mule, unchained the mule, Which he had pinched he never knew, The Honduran mule.

So daily I have heard that the earth With its riches is full of the world, And that the world is full of the earth, Illustration.

—Philadelphia Ledger.

Beware of the Physic You Take!

A physic often does more harm than good. It is not so much the physic, though, as it is the class of physic you take.

Most preparations sold as laxatives and cathartics are dangerous. They do accomplish what they are advertised to do—move the bowels—but they entirely upset the stomach, and often produce complications.

These preparations in the form of tablets and pills, usually gripe, cause nausea, and once you begin taking them a dangerous "physic habit" is formed. The bowels soon become unable to perform their functions without the unnatural aid of the "tablet," just like some people find it impossible to sleep without taking "sleeping powders."

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35c table linen, special per yd. 40c	12x18 ft. for 37.90
45c fancy decorated china sugar and	Wall Paper, odd rooms, 15c to 35c
cream, for 40c	Wall paper, per double roll, 50c
Large size soap jar with cover	25c Black Cat hose, small sizes, 25c
for 40c	Large curtain stretchers, 75c
A beautiful line of fancy lamps	4 yard wide extra heavy lamp, per yd. 25c
for 25c, 30c, 40c, 75c	Tennis Rackets, 50c
100 box best ball blinnet, for 50c	Tennis balls, 10c
Best mixed house paint, per gal. 10c	Tennis Nets, \$1.44
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	Chicken poulters, 1 gallon size, 50c

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