CHICKENS ROOST HIGH ON PRICE LIST THESE WINTER DAYS

Broilers May Be Out of the Reach of All Except the Wealthy Buyers by End of Week.

Fastidious marketers who have been able to provide chicken for Sunday dinner in spite of the "hard times" may find the tender bird roosting beyond the reach of their pocketbooks before the week is over, as the scarcity of fowls has sent the price soaring. Broiling chickens sold as high as 35 cents per pound in the Reading Terminal Market yesterday and H. C. Gerhart, one of the biggest poultry dealers in the city, declared that epicurean palates that refuse to do without chicken meat may have to be satisfied with the cold storage article.

While the high price of chicken was virtually the only increase in the week's schedule, butter and eggs are still held at high prices. Meats, both smoked and fresh, are on sale at about the same rates which have been in evidence for several weeks past. The winter rates, which have kept housewives hard at work figuring since the cold weather started, dealers predict, will remain stationary for some time in spite of the fact that tons of meat are being held in cold storage in this city after representatives of the nation at war abroad had refused to consider the offers of American speculators.

A tour of the city markets today disclosed the fact that dealers at the Farmers' Market, 18th street and Ridge avenue, maintain about the same prices for meat, produce and vegetables as those which obtain at the Reading Terminal stalls. But a visit to the 2d and Pine streets market, which is sometimes called the "Poor Man's Market," showed a wide difference, meat, butter, eggs and produce being offered at the downtown stalls at big reductions over the other places.

Many of the customers at the 2d and Pine Market are "hyphenated-Americans" and would no more think of buying at the Reading Terminal than of visiting the homes or hostelries whither most of the staples on sale at 12th and Market streets find their way.

Strawberries at 40 cents and 50 cents per box are finding buyers at the Reading Terminal, as well as butter at 48 cents per pound; eggs at 35 cents per dozen and roasting chickens as high as 28 cents per pound. H. C. Gerhart, who gets from 25 cents to 28 for his chickens, predicts that the fowls will be out of reach next week.

Rib roast at 28 cents per pound, according to William R. Margerum, chuck at 18, rump and round steaks at 28, sirloin at 32, hamburger for 20 is not high. Lamb chops bring 30 cents, veal 25, while prepared ham is selling for 30 cents per pound, fresh sausage for 28 and scrapple for 14.

With the exception of the pork prices meat is offered considerably cheaper at the Ridge Avenue Market.

Down at the 2d and Pine streets stalls, in the oldest market house in Philadelphia, some of the prices are as follows: Steaks, round and rump, 22 cents per pound; roast, 14 cents; veal chops, 25; lamb chops, 35; legs, 20; chickens, 14 to 25 cents per pound; guaranteed fresh-laid eggs, 32 cents per dozen; butter, 29 cents to 36 cents. Hams bring 12 cents per pound, scrapple 7 cents, sausage 16, bacon 18, lard 12 cents and liver 8 cents.

"JILL THE HUGGER" ACTIVE

Mysterious Woman Chases Male Residents of Ithan.

Residents of Ithan, a little hamlet south of Villanova, are avoiding what is either a "Jill the Hugger" or a man dressed in women's clothes who has chased several men late at night. William Hilson, James Whiteman and Samuel Miller, all of Ithan, say they have been forced to break all long and short distance speed records to escape being embraced by the mysterious one.

Radnor township police are investigating. They fear they have the same spookish case on their hands that they had last year about this time when the "Ithan Ghost" stalked through the village byways and thoroughfares. However, they are comforting the more timid residents with the assertion that this time it is probably a demented woman who has wandered away from an asylum.

700 to Attend "$1 Dinner"

More than 700 tickets have been sold for the Lincoln's Birthday "dollar dinner" to be held by the Washington party in Lu Lu Temple tomorrow night. The speakers will discuss the national Progressive movement and the local situation. Among the speakers will be Senator Clapp, of Minnesota; Congressman Murdock, of Kansas, and Hulings, of this State, and William Draper Lewis, Franklin Spencer Edmonds and Dr. Philip H. Moore, of this city. County Chairman Samuel Crothers will be toastmaster, and A. L. Weinstock will preside.

Kensington Board of Trade Banquet

The Kensington Board of Trade will hold its seventh annual banquet at the Majestic tonight. Plans have been completed and it is expected the affair will be the most successful ever held by the Kensington organization. It will be directed by John B. Reynolds, Harry Schenthal and William T. Weir, Jr. A. C. Keeley, president, will be toastmaster and a number of prominent speakers have promised to attend.

FRATERNAL SOCIETIES

Independent Order of Odd Fellows

A special session of the Grand Lodge will be held by Grand Master Benson, Grand Secretary Hall and other officers of the Grand Lodge at each of the following places, on the dates named, for the admission of past grands to membership: Williamsport, Monday, February 15; Sunbury, 16; Wilkes-Barre, 17; Milton, 18; Lock Haven, 19; Renovo, 20; Du Bois, 22; Punxsutawney, 23; Ridgway, 24; Bradford, 25; Sheffield, 26; Erie, 27. Open meetings will be held immediately following the short special session at each place intended to arouse renewed interest among the membership and advance the general interests of the order in the community. District deputy grand masters of the several districts will co-operate.

Fame Lodge, at Kensington avenue and Cumberland street, will confer the initiatory degree in full form tomorrow evening upon James Dickes and James Jamison. All brothers are invited to witness this exemplification, as Fame is proud of its degree team.

The Ladies Auxiliary of Cincinnatus Lodge at their anniversary February 3 surprised some specially invited members of the lodge to a roast pig supper, elaborate and elegant, with liberal decorations and souvenirs that provoked screaming merriment. The brothers were treated to an additional surprise in the way of entertainment and ceremony which seemed like being initiated over again, but in a more strenuous manner for some of them. In fact, a few were visibly irritated before they solved the puzzle, and then suffered the taunts of the ladies.

Apollo Lodge received a visit from Judge Aitken, of San Francisco, Cal., P. G., of their offspring, Apollo 123, of the jurisdiction of California. The absent brothers missed a rare treat. Brother Aitken told of Odd Fellowship, its conditions, standing and activity, as it is in the West, and his description of the beauties of his State and of the preparations for the Panama Exposition were interesting and instructive. Lively preparations are being made for the 67th anniversary, which will be held in the auditorium of the Parkway Building, February 19. There will be a good programme and dance. Invitation is given to all outside members and ladies. Several workers of Apollo who are helping "Billy" Sunday at the tabernacle exercise their vocal enthusiasm around the lodge organ with "Brighten the Corner" and "The Brewer's Big Horses Can't Run Over Me."

The 34th district progressive committee will hold its fourth convocation at Cincinnatus Lodge, Amber and Norris streets, on Monday evening next, in which all lodges of the district will participate. A fine program has been arranged, including the lectures of Brother Prof. Calvin Althouse, of the Boys' High School, as orator, and Brother P. G. Louis Mengis, of East Park Lodge, also as speaker. All officers of the order are invited to attend these convocations.

The 11th district progressive committee, accompanied by the "Grand Old Leader," D. D. G. M. Samuel French, traveled to Tacony Lodge on Monday evening last. P. G. John Watkins, chairman, gave a very interesting talk on committee work. Brother John H. Nevill, secretary, is the historian of the committee and author of "Nevill's History of Tacony township." P. G. Robert Irwin, vice president, invited all brothers of the 11th and 17th districts to attend his 25th anniversary in Odd Fellowship.

The 24th convocation of the 11th district progressive committee will be held at North Star Lodge, Textile Hall, Kensington avenue and Cumberland street, on Monday evening, March 8. Rev. Walter A. Randles, P. G., Hillside Lodge, will be the speaker.

Kingessing Lodge has joined ranks with the Boosters of the Odd Fellows' employment bureau, which is the principal topic of discussion among the lodges in this city.

Mary Johnson Rebekah Lodge will hold a "Cherry Clipping" on the next social night, February 24, which will follow the regular session of the lodge, and will be open to all.

Amicus Star Lodge will initiate tonight a class of 19 young men and on next Thursday the past grands of that lodge will confer the first degree on the same class. The degree team will be composed of 25 past grands, all members of this lodge. They are not "has beens," but live, active attendants at the lodge meetings, and know how to do the work in all the degrees. This is the oldest "young" lodge in South Philadelphia, being 65 years of age, and has never merged or slumped, going steadily onward, and now numbers 330 members.

Spring Garden Lodge initiated February 4 eight new candidates, who were much impressed with the ceremony as portrayed by them. There were several visiting brothers, who were very loud in their praises of the work of the degree team. Three new applications were presented, with prospects and hope of large "harvest" during April and May. The workers are wondering what has become of Bro. H. C. Moore and others, who were once a part of the activities which were a benefit to themselves, as well as their co-laborers in the lodge.

East Park Lodge initiated William H. Schmuhl at their meeting February 2 and received one proposition. Bro. Ford, of Metropolitan Lodge, was an interested spectator, and complimented the work of the degree team. Brief remarks were made by Bros. Bergey, Brill, Hayes, Stevenson, Merkle, Smith, Gift, Robinson and Mengle. The first degree will be conferred February 9. The lodge will pay a fraternal visit to North Wales Lodge February 17. Bro. S. M. Rhea, who has only missed lodge meetings on election days for the last 20 years, has been kept home by sickness.

Merchants' Lodge had a ladies' night last Friday and the entertainment was furnished by home talent. Bro. McCarthy made the usual "hit" with his "Irish" jokes. The features were Bro. Frank Shuman, in his black-face specialty; Bro. Henry's rendition of "The Rosary" and the lodge quartet's selections. Bro. Ed Maute was especially popular with the ladies. The Entertainment Committee was congratulated on its efforts. Refreshments were served. The ladies expressed a desire of having an early repetition of the occasion. Merchants' Lodge is noted for fraternal spirit and excellent attendance at meetings. The lodge meets in the Parkway Building every Friday evening and the latch string is always out.

A large gathering witnessed the exemplification of the degree of friendship by the team of Ivy Lodge on Monday night. Owing to the absence of Bro. Sharp, a purely dramatic interpretation was given, which did not lessen the impressiveness of the ceremony. The visitors from distant lodges were expressed themselves so greatly pleased with the work were Bros. Marshall B. Williams, Taunton, Mass.; Claude Johnson, Portsmouth, Va.; Joseph W. Snow, Norfolk, Va.; Jos. Franklin, New York city; William G. Kennedy, Ontario, Canada, and several others. Next Monday evening the second degree will be exemplified, and on the 22d another social night will be held, to which the ladies are invited.

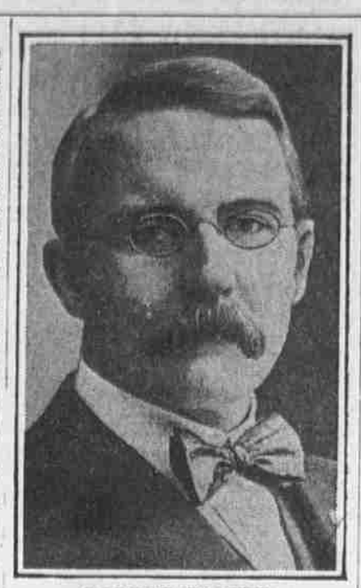
Coaquanock Lodge on Tuesday evening revised the bylaws relating to initiating fees and dues within a scale more reasonable for prospective membership, the minimum fee being $20 and dues 18 cents. Bro. George Pyle, of Hope Lodge, Wilmington, Del., was a visitor.

Eden Lodge, of Wilmington, Del., will initiate tonight a class of 80 candidates at a minimum fee of $10. The degree staff is one of the best in the United States.

Olive Branch Lodge held its annual service at the Odd Fellows' Home on Sunday. The sermon was preached by the Rev. G. Morrell Palmer, pastor of Belmont Avenue Baptist Church. The music was by the large congregation, with solos by H. J. Turnstall and Frank Fisher, under the direction of Harry Hodbell, organist. President Sipps made an address.

At the Rebekah Home the service was in charge of the Committee City Mission. The Rev. Frank H. Longshore preached the sermon. The music was in charge of Miss Rachel Davis, organist. Mrs. Mary A. Engelman, president of the home, made an address.

At the Odd Fellows' Orphanage the service was under the auspices of Damascus Lodge. Addresses were made by Albert H. Holt, President Richardson and Robert Love, chairman of the committee on education. The music, blended as usual, which includes the following lodges: Wayne Lodge, Edmund Duke, Sec.; Philanthropic, George Nattres, Sec.; Spring Garden, H. E. MacDonald, Sec.; Star of Bethlehem, Chas. H. Ellis, Sec.; Mercantile, H. F. McIntyre, Sec.; Merchants, George Valentine, Sec.; Caledonian, Wm. McCull, Sec.; Imperial, Orville C. Stebbins, Sec.; will hold divine services at the Odd Fellows' Orphanage Sunday afternoon next. The Rev. S. Bush, of Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church, will speak. John Dallas and Viola Graham will sing. The character of the services is different from that of other institutions and ought to crowd the new auditorium.



ROBERT COMBER
Grand Secretary, Foresters of America.

Improved Order of Red Men

Paconta Tribe has decided to double its membership. Past Sachem John R. Greenhalgh started on last Friday's sleep by having a candidate adopted. The adoption degree, under the captaincy of Past Sachem Chas. Bunting, performed the work in a creditable manner. Degree work will be the order at every Friday's sleep. Paconta Band, under the leadership of Bro. Lafrias, is making progress, and with little more practice expect to participate in many social affairs of the order. This organization is about a month old, and the members are taking an active part, due to the efforts of their leader. Many of the past chiefs are regular attendants at the meetings, especially Past Sachems Greenhalgh, Bunting, Boilen, Nicholson, Camero, Melvin and Stetsor. Sachem Joe Dougherty is at all times active in any movement which will benefit the members in any way. The good dart players welcome a challenge from members of any other tribe, and extend an invitation to all to visit the tribe any Friday's sleep.

Tuskawilla Tribe have moved their wigwam to the southeast corner of 49th street and Woodland avenue, and on Thursday (changed from Tuesday), conferred the adoption degree in full on three palefaces. P. S. George D. Craig, degree master, while praising the work of the whole team, particularly commends the sachem of E. B. Greenwood and the junior sagamore, of A. J. Olbrecht. Bro. Brandle was the recipient of a prize for good work in securing palefaces. No. 4 is always active, the attendance is fine, and the visitors are welcome.

Chattahoochee degree team will work the chief's degree at 814 Girard avenue on February 17. This tribe will hold its annual ball at 2727 Germantown avenue tomorrow evening. The tribe and council bringing in the largest delegation will each receive a silk American flag, 36 by 60 inches, with pole and streamer. Hopituh Tribe and Wissahoming Council, degree teams in costume, will lead the grand march.

The 45th anniversary of Osage Tribe was observed on Tuesday night by a reception and ball in Horticultural Hall, Broad street.

Crow Council expects to gather a large class soon and to invite another council to help with the degree work. The members will miss the present prophetess, Past Pocahontas Katharine Bedford, Sr., who left for the South last week. The trustees have not as yet selected another meeting place, but expect to have larger and better equipped headquarters after the coming election. The council will soon hold its third anniversary, and a decided impetus is expected in the work of this progressive council.

Foresters of America

Robert Comber was admitted to membership in the order in 1896, through Court Sylvan America, No. 73, of which he was a past chief ranger. He was elected grand treasurer in 1901, and, after serving a term of two years, was elected grand secretary in 1903, serving continuously ever since. He is an honorary member of Court Nimrod, No. 65, and a member of Kenderton Lodge, No. 266, I. O. O. F.

Court Contiac with Chief Ranger Charles T. Busby presiding, last Friday, received congratulations for the committee on the success of the dance and for the surprising attendance, due principally to the work of Bro. Scanlon. There was some talk of starting a new membership contest for the remaining quarter in view of the enrolment of 32 last quarter. There were a few timely suggestions on this subject, especially by the deputy, Bro. Gamble, who offered several prizes for the members making gains.

Court Haddington will hold its 17th anniversary at Pearson's Hall, 489 North 63d street, tonight. A fine program has been arranged and the officers of the Grand Court and the deputy are expected to participate.

Court Stephen Girard has secured better quarters, at Taylor Post Hall, 1431 Brown street. The meeting night has been changed to the second and fourth Friday of each month. A candidate will be initiated tomorrow evening. The past year (83d) has been successful financially, and the membership will doubtless increase rapidly in the new quarters.

Court Cross Keys at last meeting was honored by the presence of Brother Howard Beatle, of Court Columbus, of Hartford, Conn., who delivered a lecture on "Fraternal Negligence; Its Cause and Effect." He presented the varied viewpoints of the subject in such a masterly manner as to warrant the opinion that he had not only accomplished an oratorical achievement, but that his ideals were practical. P. C. Lawrence Conners, Sr., assisted by P. D. G. C. R. William White as herald, installed Brother Abram Newitt as senior beadle to serve the unexpired term of Brother George Keough. One of the main attractions of tonight's meeting will be the scheduled performance of the degree team.

Court Seymour's visitation to Court Cheltenham reported a pleasant time, though it was regretted that Court Sylvan America was not represented. Two candidates were initiated by Court Cheltenham's degree team, and the work was done to the delight of the visitors. One of the old-time workers of Court Seymour, Brother Edward Keenan, was reported on the sick list.

Court Fairmount obligated several candidates February 2. The degree team has been reorganized under Capt. James O'Toole, Jr. The following officers were elected to exemplify the initiatory work: Jr. P., Chief James F. Kennedy, C. R. William A. Magee, S. C. R. Frederick Justice and Lecturer H. F. Hillegas. Rehearsals will be held after the regular meetings on Tuesday. The delegates appointed to attend the meetings of the combined Excursion Committee reported that June 20 had been selected for the excursion to Reading, Pa., and plans were laid to have the court well represented. The delegates arranging the pinochle tournament have formed no definite arrangements. The membership contest continues close; both teams are working hard and producing excellent results.

Court John Paul Jones held its ninth anniversary at 163d North 27th street, February 5. Sub Chief Ranger Albert Beers, Jr., presided on account of the sickness of Chief Ranger Claude Smith, and P. C. Ranger J. B. Rothenhausler acted as sub chief ranger. Several propositions were received and a committee of two was appointed to act in conjunction with Courts Fairmount and Hamilton Disston in regard to a pinochle tournament to be given by the three courts. The entertainment committee, with P. C. Ranger Harry Goodman acting as chairman, assisted by P. C. Rangers Max Laib, John M. Kelly, William Scharff, William Porter and Bro. Lancaster and Albert Beers, Jr., put in their work. P. C. Max Laib, one of the charter members, presented historical facts during the progress of the court. Past Grand Chief Ranger Charles Bradley made one of his famous addresses. Worthy Deputy James Kennedy, otherwise known as "Sunny Jim," who has been the deputy for a the star of this court, added another record to his standing with all good brothers, and was assisted by Past Chief Ranger Ross. The singing and recitation by Bro. Kinslow were greatly appreciated. Bro. O'Toole's recitation was a great success. Bro. Dailey spoke on the progress of the order. A treat by Past Chief Ranger Magee, the Irish orator, was a surprise. The Glee Club of the court, composed of Sheets, Hecht, Cotter and Cunningham, gave several selections and remarks were made by Past Chief Rangers H. T. Beers, J. M. Kelley, Harry Goodman, Benjamin Lancaster, J. B. Rothenhausler and William Scharff. All then did justice to the product of the Banquet Committee and P. C. Ranger J. M. Kelly.

Patriotic Order Sons of America

Camp 653's Entertainment Committee, composed of Martin L. Cramer, chairman; Robert G. Thomson, Henry Highland, Jr., Joseph H. Bush, of Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church, will speak. John Dallas and Viola Graham will sing. The character of the services is different from that of other institutions and ought to crowd the new auditorium.

Charles M. Solly and Albert B. Meyers, is planning for some interesting events to take place in the near future. After an absence of several weeks, a hearty welcome was given to Bro. Francis P. Lemle, fondly called "our chief," who is one of the few living charter members remaining through the camp's 25 years of history. He is a past president and for 20 years served in an earnest and efficient manner as recording secretary. Bro. William Heaney, of Camp 293, secretary of the 8th Philadelphia District Association, made his usual visit, and another treat was appreciated when Bro. John L. Hartranft, an 8-years-old member of this camp, a Spanish-American War veteran, for 10 years a member of the National Guard and for several years quartermaster sergeant of the leading company of the 1st Brigade Company J, 3d Infantry, Bro. Harry W. Pearson, past president, representative to the P. O. S. of A. Home Corporation and assistant State president of P. O. A., presented, on behalf of the camp, a beautiful past president's emblem to Bro. George G. Dunkelberger, as a token of regard and recognition of the services rendered by him in serving through all the offices of the camp, from the beginning to the president and past president's position.

A silk American flag was presented to Tioga Tabernacle Presbyterian Church, 17th and Butler streets, on Sunday, by Sylvania Commandery. A patriotic service was arranged by the pastor, the Rev. R. W. Jameison. The presentation address was made by Henvis Roesselle, past commander of Sylvania Commandery, and the flag was received by Charles L. H. Luffberry.

A delegation of Camp 563, headed by District President Welsh, paid a visit to Camp 243, in its new home, 804 West Girard avenue, on Monday last. Camps 563, 243 and 290 meet within a stone's throw of each other, and a movement is started to have a combined meeting of the three camps.

Camp 93 invites all members of the order to join them on the evening of February 21, when they will present Wesley M. E. Church an American flag. Members will meet at Sepviva and Huntingdon streets at 7:45 p. m. Bros. Zeiner, Way and Middleton have the affair in charge. The flag presentation is the first of a number to the camps of the 11th district have planned to make.

The Northeast Progressive Association, I. O. A., held in Clearfield Council, had a strong meeting. After the regular business the members of the various councils were entertained by the Majestic Comedy Company, a troupe composed of members of the order. The entertainment was under the management of Bro. F. H. Yeager. There was singing by Bros. William Cooper, Robert Welsh and Lu Lu Kline, and Bro. Harry A. Carter was applauded for splendid recitations. Clearfield Council is strongly complimented for the enjoyable evening.

The February meeting of the booster club of the P. O. A. was held in room of Camp 36 to arrange for a class initiation to be held in Lu Lu Temple in March. It is expected that about 400 candidates will be admitted. Some of the delegates will kindly take this notice, that the next meeting will be on Monday, February 15, in room of Camp 95, Schuyler's building, 6th and Diamond streets.

Camp 119, P. O. A., 1315 Columbia avenue, celebrated its seventh anniversary by initiating five candidates and a public installation of its officers, District President Sister Grace McAllister conducting the installing ceremonies most creditably. The 85 members present enjoyed a fine banquet, prepared by Sister Louise Miller. Brothers of the order are invited to come see the many beautiful young ladies any first or third Friday night.

Order Independent Americans

Wharton Council has postponed the presentation of the State flag until March 3, owing to the inability of the State officers to be present on the date first selected. The council intends to hold a class initiation some time in March. New members are coming in every week through the efforts of good brothers and a large class is expected to be brought out.

Red, White and Blue Council, meeting at 2827 Fletcher street, was presented by Past Councilor George Wilhelm with a Bible, which was printed in 1569, after being approved by the American Bible Society. The Bible was presented by the ladies to Earl Council, Senior Order of American Mechanics, of New Holland, Pa., in 1870, now defunct, and then became the property of Empire Council of the same order and defunct, passed to the hands of Jacob M. Wilhelm, who is the father of the donor, in whose possession the Bible has been for 42 years. The book is in perfect condition and Bro. Wilhelm, in relinquishing this family heirloom, has made a gift worth more to the members of Red, White and Blue Council appreciate. It can be seen any Thursday evening at the council meetings, where good fellowship reigns.

Jr. Order United American Mechanics

The councils of the Eastern District are arranging for a pilgrimage to Franklin Council, Brooklyn, N. Y., on March 19.

The Guards of John R. Martin Council will hold a benefit at the Walnut Street Theatre during the week of February 22.

Dunmore Council initiated a class of 21 candidates on February 6.

Three days' celebration last week marked the dedication of the magnificent Jr. O. U. A. M. fraternity building erected by Good Will Council at Tyrone, Pa. The program of Thursday evening was opened with a concert by the Pennsylvania Shop Band; prayer by Rev. A. W. Davis, of Wilmington, Del.; address of welcome by Claude Jones; presentation of building by W. C. Magill; acceptance by R. H. Gilbert; selection by the High School Glee Club; address by Burgess Richard Beaston; history of Good Will Council by A. F. Palmer; solo by Prof. J. L. Gaunt; address by State Councilor D. K. Hunter; violin solo by G. Leidy Beyer; address by Rev. M. D. Lichliter, of Harrisburg; solo by Miss Virginia Van Scoyoc; address by Rev. A. W. Davis; duet by Miss Virginia Van Scoyoc and Prof. J. L. Gaunt; address by State President Charles H. Hall; selection by the High School Glee Club; address by Jr. Past State Councilor Dr. William H. Painter. Friday evening was devoted to entertaining the ladies with music, dancing and refreshments. Saturday evening was open house for members and their gentlemen friends, with favors supplied. The building is a magnificent three-story structure, presenting a most striking appearance among the many fine buildings that adorn the main street of Tyrone. The third floor presents a large lodge room, beautifully furnished; paraphernalia rooms, cloak rooms, ball room with wide gallery, game room, reception and committee room and fully equipped kitchen. These rooms were all beautifully decorated for the occasion and thousands of people inspected the building.

Fraternal Patriotic Americans

State Vice Councilor William H. Sheneman officially visited Fairview Council, 5013 Lancaster avenue, and was accompanied by State Council George S. Ford, P. S. C. John R. McKelvey, many of the deputies and a large number of the members of various councils. A tray of silver was presented by the State vice councilor, on behalf of the council, to P. C. James Armstrong, for having served as the treasurer of the council for 23 years. Bro. Armstrong, in a very gracious speech of acceptance, expressed his appreciation, and many of the members testified to the esteem in which he is held.

The Good of the Order Association held its monthly meeting at the same time and place, and almost all of the councils of this district were represented. Important subjects were discussed.

The final meeting of the delegates to Class Initiation Committee have completed details for this important event.

The State vice councilor will visit Resolution Council, 1886 Germantown avenue, this evening. Excellent reports on the actual work being done by the respective councils will be made.

The third rehearsal for class initiations to be held at Lu Lu Temple, February 22, will be held tomorrow evening at Diligent Council, Hutchinson street and Girard avenue. The success of the rehearsals and the work to be done is assured. It is expected that the entire board of officers of State Council will be present, with many members from various parts of this and other States, to witness the class initiation.

The State vice councilor visited Fredonia Council last Monday evening, and was much pleased with the work done. They will have several candidates for the big class.

Knights of Columbus

The 22d lecture under the auspices of the Philadelphia Chapter will be delivered by the Rev. Stephen Dever, D. D., at St. Anthony's Parish Hall, 23d and Carpenter streets, on Sunday, February 14, at 8:30 p. m. Doctor Dever will deliver an illustrated lecture on Rome, and Brownson Council will give a special musical program.

The Chapter Committee on Annual Retreat will meet at K. of C. Hall, 38th and Market streets, Friday evening, February 12, to make arrangements for the annual retreat of Knights of Columbus during Passion Week at the Cathedral.

De Soto Council, through Chaplain Joseph L. N. Wolfe, has forwarded a donation of $225 to Bishop Dougherty, Philippine Islands.

Sunset Council, Ancient Order of Hibernians, will have a special meeting on February 15, to which all members of the order are invited.

Members of the Archbishop Ryan Assembly will meet at headquarters, 1538 West Girard avenue, Sunday, February 14, at 2:30 p. m.

Holmesburg Council will celebrate its seventh anniversary on Tuesday evening, February 16, at St. Dominic's School Hall, Frankford.

Supreme Knight James A. Flaherty, State Deputy A. S. McSwigan and John J. Rahilly, chairman of the Philadelphia Chapter, have been invited to speak at the anniversary celebration of Holmesburg Council.

The Chapter Welfare Committee is very busy; detailed reports of the work done up to the present time can be secured by the members only through the delegates to the chapter.

DINNER TO JAMES O'SULLIVAN

Former Postoffice Official Will Be Guest of Friends Tonight.

Friends of James O'Sullivan, former chief of the delivery division of the Philadelphia postoffice, whose resignation was requested recently by Washington, will tonight tender a testimonial banquet to him on the roof garden of the Continental Hotel. Mr. O'Sullivan gave up his position a few days ago.

Mr. O'Sullivan's removal followed after a commission of experts, sent to this city from Washington, had made a report that his administration of the delivery division lacked discipline and was inefficient. His friends say politics was the real cause.

ORDINANCES

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF CITY TRANSIT to reconstruct and relocate certain sewers in the central portion of the City.

Section 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the Department of City Transit be authorized and directed to enter on contracts for the reconstruction and relocation of the following sewers and the work appurtenant thereto, viz.: Walnut street, from a point about 145 feet east of Third street to a point about 62 feet west of Sixth street; Walnut street, from a point 62 feet west of Sixth street to Seventh street; thence diagonally across Washington Square to the intersection of Locust street and West Washington Square; and thence in Locust street to Eighth street; Sixth street, from Willow street to Vine street; thence diagonally across Franklin Square to the intersection of Franklin and Race streets; thence in Race street to Eighth street; and thence in Eighth street to Arch street; Ninth street, from Market street to Arch street; and Ramstead street, from Ninth street to Eighth street.

Section 2. That the following sums be set aside in Item 160 (loan) of the appropriation to the Department of City Transit for the reconstruction and relocation of sewers: For the sewer in Walnut street, from Sixth street to Third street to west of Sixth street, one hundred and ninety-two thousand (192,000) dollars; for the sewer in Walnut street, west of Sixth street, Washington Square and Locust street, ninety-six thousand (96,000) dollars; for the sewer in Sixth street, Franklin Square, Race street and Eighth street, one hundred and seventy-six thousand (176,000) dollars; for the sewer in Ninth street, twenty-eight thousand (28,000) dollars; for the sewer in Ramstead street, eight thousand (8,000) dollars; Provided, That in the event of any of the said sewers, costing less than the sum herein set aside for its construction, the Director of the Department of City Transit is hereby authorized at his discretion to use the balance or any part thereof, for the completion of any of the sewers named herein for which the sum set aside may be insufficient.

Section 3. That the Director of the Department of City Transit be and he hereby authorized and directed to advertise for proposals, and to award contracts, as provided in existing ordinances and laws, for the construction of the said sewers and the work appurtenant thereto, in accordance with plans and specifications to be prepared by the Department of City Transit, and is also authorized to appoint assistants and inspectors as may be requisite, and to pay all expenses for borings, salaries, inspection, tests, transportation, and incidentals not otherwise provided for out of the appropriation for the cost of the said sewers.

Approved the 25th day of January, A. D. 1915.

RUDOLPH BLANKENBURG,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

No. 871.

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE opening of Central avenue, from Cottman avenue to Hasbrook avenue, and Hasbrook avenue, from Central avenue to Oxford avenue.

Section 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the Department of Public Works be authorized and directed to notify the owners of property over and through which Central avenue, from Cottman avenue to Hasbrook avenue, and Hasbrook avenue, from Central avenue to Oxford avenue will pass, that at the expiration of three months from the date of said notices said avenues will be required for public use.

Section 2. The Mayor of the City is hereby authorized and directed to enter security, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, for the payment of any damages which may be assessed by reason of the opening of said avenues; upon the filing of said bonds, and at the expiration of the said three months, the Director of the Department of Public Works shall forthwith proceed to open said avenues.

Approved the 18th day of January, A. D. 1915.

RUDOLPH BLANKENBURG,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

No. 867.

AN ORDINANCE TO PERMIT THE MT. Sinai Hospital to construct and maintain a tunnel under and across Wilder street, east of Fifth street.

Section 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That permission be granted to the Mt. Sinai Hospital to construct and maintain a tunnel under and across Wilder street, at a point about seventy-four feet east of Fifth street to connect the Hospital building with the boiler house for the purpose of carrying steam and hot water lines. The said tunnel to be seven feet wide and seven feet three inches deep from the curb line, and to be constructed of stone side walls with concrete floor and reinforced concrete slab over same. The said tunnel to be constructed under the supervision and to the satisfaction of the Department of Public Works, in accordance with plans to be approved by the Board of Highway Supervisors, and shall be used exclusively for the conduct of the business of said Hospital. Before exercising any privilege under this ordinance, the said Mt. Sinai Hospital shall first file an agreement, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, indemnifying the City against all damages by reason of the construction and maintenance of said tunnel, and remove the same and restore the street to its present condition at any time within one year from the passage of an ordinance to that effect, and shall pay into the City Treasury the sum of fifty (50) dollars for the publication of this ordinance.

Approved the 18th day of January, A. D. 1915.

RUDOLPH BLANKENBURG,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

No. 868.

AN ORDINANCE TO CONDEMN FOR PARK purposes plat of ground bounded by Millman street, Southampton avenue, Roanoke street and Abington avenue.

Section 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That by virtue and in pursuance of the authority vested in them by Act of Assembly, they do hereby select and appropriate for park purposes as an open place for public health the plot of ground bounded by Millman street, Southampton avenue, Roanoke street and Abington avenue, more fully described as follows: Beginning at a point the intersection of the southwest side of Millman street and the northwest side of Southampton avenue, as laid out upon the City plan; thence extending northeastwardly along the northwest side of Southampton avenue, crossing Millman street and Lincoln avenue, a distance of 679,719 feet to a point on a line, which line is the southwest side of Roanoke street produced northwestwardly; thence extending southeastwardly along the southwest side of Roanoke street produced and the southwest side of Roanoke street, crossing Southampton avenue and Cartwell lane, to a point on the northwest side of Abington avenue; thence extending southwestwardly along the northwest side of Abington avenue, crossing Crefeld street and Lincoln avenue, a distance of 679,719 feet to a point on a line, which line is the southwest side of Millman street produced; thence extending northwestwardly along the southwest side of Millman street produced and the southwest side of Millman street, crossing Cartwell lane and Southampton avenue, to the northwest side of Southampton avenue, the first mentioned point and place of beginning, to be known as Pastorius Park: Provided, That before the notices shall issue for the said ground, Dr. George Woodward shall first dedicate so much of the ground as is comprised within the limits above described as may be owned by him.

Section 2. That the Mayor be hereby authorized to enter security, in the name of the City of Philadelphia, for the payment of any damages that may be awarded by the reason of the taking of said ground. Upon the filing of said bond possession of the same shall be taken.

Section 3. That the City Solicitor be directed to institute the proper proceedings, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, for the taking of said property.

Section 4. That upon the City of Philadelphia acquiring possession of said ground, to be known as Pastorius Park, the same shall be turned over to the care and custody of the Commissioners of Fairmount Park, except the beds of Lincoln avenue and Hartwell lane.

Approved the 28th day of January, A. D. 1915.

RUDOLPH BLANKENBURG,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

No. 873.

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE opening of Sixty-ninth street, from Greenway avenue to Kingessing avenue; and Kingessing avenue, from Sixty-ninth to Seventieth street.

Section 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the Department of Public Works be authorized and directed to notify the owners of property over and through which Sixty-ninth street, from Greenway avenue to Kingessing avenue; and Kingessing avenue, from Sixty-ninth to Seventieth street, will pass, that at the expiration of three months from the date of said notice said street will be required for public use.

Section 2. The Mayor of the City is hereby authorized and directed to enter security on behalf of the City of Philadelphia for the payment of any damages which may be assessed by reason of the opening of said streets; upon the filing of said bond, and at the expiration of the said three months, the Director of the Department of Public Works shall forthwith proceed to open said streets.

Approved the 28th day of January, A. D. 1915.

RUDOLPH BLANKENBURG,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

No. 874.

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE opening of the unopened portion of the northwest side of Gorgas street, northeastwardly and southwestwardly from Anderson street.

Section 1. The Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia do ordain, That the Department of Public Works be authorized and directed to notify the owners of property over and through which the unopened portion of the northwest side of Gorgas street, from about sixty-three feet southwest of Anderson street to about forty feet northeast of Anderson street, will pass, that at the expiration of three months from the date of said notice said street will be required for public use.

Section 2. The Mayor of the City is hereby authorized and directed to enter security, on behalf of the City of Philadelphia, for the payment of any damages which may be assessed by reason of the opening of said street; upon the filing of said bond, and at the expiration of the said three months, the Director of the Department of Public Works shall forthwith proceed to open said street.

Approved the 28th day of January, A. D. 1915.

RUDOLPH BLANKENBURG,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

No. 875.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SATISFACTION of certain liens for water pipe against the Twenty-second street M. E. Church property at Twenty-second and Moore streets; and directing the Clerks of Councils to present this resolution to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval.

Resolved, By the Select and Common Councils of the City of Philadelphia, That the Clerks of Councils be authorized and directed to have stricken from the records the liens filed for water pipe against premises on south side of Pierce street and west side of Twenty-second street, one hundred and two feet on Pierce street by one hundred and sixteen feet three inches to the north side of Moore street, and north side of Moore street and west side of Twenty-second street, one hundred and two feet on Moore street by one hundred and sixteen feet six inches to Pierce street; the first being C. P. No. 2, December Term, 1900, No. 46, and the second being C. P. No. 2, December Term, 1900, No. 514; the same being against the property of the Twenty-second Street Methodist Episcopal Church, Philadelphia, located at Twenty-second and Moore streets, used solely for religious purposes, and the same to be discharged free from all interest and costs.

Resolved, That the Clerks of Councils be directed to present this resolution to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval.

OFFICE OF CLERKS OF COUNCILS,
Philadelphia, January 22, 1915.

This is to certify that the resolution entitled "Resolution to authorize satisfaction of certain liens for water pipe against the Twenty-second Street M. E. Church property at Twenty-second and Moore streets; and directing the Clerks of Councils to present this resolution to the Mayor for his approval or disapproval," was returned by the Mayor to Common Council on the twenty-first day of January, 1915, without his approval, and said resolution having been again considered, was passed on the same day by a vote of yeas, 59; nays, 6.

And said resolution, together with the objections of the Mayor, having been