

ESTEDDFOD PRIZE TO ORPHEUS CLUB

Wilkes-Barre Chorus Carries Off Honors in Welsh Festival at Academy

COMPETITION IS KEEN

The Orpheus Club of Wilkes-Barre, one of the best Welsh singing societies in the country, won the chief prize at the close of the Philadelphia Elsteddfod at the Academy yesterday evening.

The competition was exceedingly close, the club from the Falls of Schuylkill giving the winners a hard fight for the big prize.

The main interest of the evening session was under the leadership of the winning choir was under the leadership of the winning choir was under the leadership of the winning choir.

Another interesting feature of the evening session was the close competition for the prize for tenor solo.

Close was the contest that Dr. Broome asked some person in the audience to take \$20 at his disposal.

The prize for the best performance of "Ye Valiant Sons" for tenor and bass duet was won by George Stubbins and Vooches Honeyman.

The prize for the best recitation of Macaulay's "The Fate of Virginia" (in English) was given to Miss Helen Jones of Lansford.

Miss Florence Adele Whiteman won the prize for the piano solo limited to those between fifteen and twenty years of age.

The prize for mixed quartet was awarded to the Brooklynites, at least one of whom also won an individual singing prize.

The prize for "William Penn" was awarded to the Rev. D. J. Richards, of South Wales.

ENDS LIFE WHILE INSANE Relatives Deny Report Patrolman Had Quarreled With Wife

Relative of Patrolman Howard Gibbs, motorcycle man attached to the Twenty-sixth and York streets station, who shot and killed himself as the whistles were announcing the new year, believes that he went suddenly insane.

Patrolman Gibbs committed suicide in his home, 2532 North Cleveland avenue. The first report was that he had shot himself following a quarrel with his wife.

Mrs. Gibbs and other relatives deny this. He had been in good health and spirits, greeting friends and apparently happy with his family, just before the act.

SLAIN WOMAN LEFT \$500 Two Children Are Only Heirs of Mrs. Mary Warrington

Mrs. Mary J. Warrington, 5509 Market street, who was murdered by Cornelius Coff in her home several weeks ago, died without leaving a will. Letters for administration of her estate were granted this morning to Robert H. Morrow, an attorney.

GIRL, 8, RIDES HOMEWARD AS POLICE START HUNT

Missed Train at Shore, Comes Later. Mother Sends Out Alarm

While the police of both Philadelphia and Camden were searching for Grace Fringes, eight years old, reported to have been kidnapped while on the way from Atlantic City to her home, 1339 North Sixth street, the little girl was riding home with a friend of the family.

The child spent the holiday season with friends at the seashore. Her mother was notified Grace would be aboard the train due in Camden at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Fringes waited at the station, but Grace was not among the passengers. The case was then reported to the police, but shortly after Mrs. Fringes returned home, Grace appeared. She had missed her train.

DOUBLE TAX ASSESSMENT Montgomery County Women Voters Pay \$220,684 in Year

The annual report of County Clerk Daniel F. Stout, shows that woman suffrage in Montgomery County has resulted in an increase assessment valuation of \$220,684 to the county in occupation taxes. This increase over last year, when the total was but little over \$208,000, puts this year's total at \$426,391.

Montgomery County shows a growth of satisfactory proportions in all departments of finances. For all purposes, it has a total assessed valuation of \$190,137,721, an increase of \$10,029,000 over last year. The number of families in the county has jumped from 61,500 to 119,181, showing approximately 48,700 women assessed.

TOWNSHIP TO ADVANCE Plymouth District, Montgomery Co., Plans Many Changes

The new year brings important changes to residents of Plymouth Township, which will pass into the list of first-class districts of Montgomery County.

This evening the new board of Township Commissioners elected at the November election will meet in Plymouth Center to organize. The new Commissioners are T. A. Griffith, John Marple, John J. O'Neill, David Rhoades and Franklin L. Wright.

They have been sworn in and at the coming meeting will organize and elect a secretary. The tax collector chosen at the recent election, A. Wernle, now becomes Township Treasurer.

Plymouth as a first class township will start work with about \$7000, after all bills are paid. The State now owes Plymouth Township \$4500 for work done on the roads last year.

Under the new administration the residents are entitled to police and fire protection, the Commissioners having the power to install fire hydrants.

NO "DRIVE" ON AUTOISTS Police Will Give Car Owners Time to Get New Licenses

Superintendent of Police Mills said today that a new policy will be followed this year toward motorists using invalidated license tags.

At the beginnings of previous years it was the custom of the police to announce that after a certain period they would arrest the drivers of all machines not bearing a current date on the license.

This, said Superintendent Mills, led to a rush to the offices of the notaries for an overcharge sent messengers to take the application and return with the tags.

In this way motorists who made their application in the usual way were delayed.

This year it is proposed that traffic officers will take the numbers of all 1921 licenses. These will be sent to Harrisburg, where it will be learned whether the owners have applied for 1922 licenses.

N. J. POLICE SEEKING SLAYER OF WIDOW

Brutally Beaten Body Found Frozen in Kitchen of Vineland Home

A vigorous search is being prosecuted for the slayer of Mrs. Charlotte E. Dudley, seventy-year-old widow, who was found brutally slain in the kitchen of her home, at 280 Plum street, Vineland, yesterday noon.

Mrs. Dudley is believed to have been killed either Saturday night or Sunday morning. From the evidence in the blood-stained kitchen, Mrs. Dudley must have been washing dishes when the assassin entered. The physicians believe she was beaten senseless and left on the floor, where she later died of exposure.

The body was frozen when found and none of the wounds were serious enough to cause death. Robbery was evidently the motive.

Mrs. Dudley was a pensioner of the Government, her husband, who died in 1906, being a veteran of the Civil War. She was reputed to have a large amount of money, much of which she was supposed to carry in a pocketbook about the house.

If she had any money it was gone when the murder was discovered. The body was discovered by Thomas Garton, a neighbor, who, worried at not having seen the widow for some time, looked through the window of the kitchen and saw the body huddled on the floor.

The kitchen showed every evidence of a terrific struggle. Furniture was overturned and broken and Mrs. Dudley's clothing was torn almost completely from her body.

The aged woman's knees were naked and torn and full of splinters, showing, the police believe, that she was dragged across the floor after she had been beaten into insensibility.

The only wounds on the body were two deep gashes, one over each eye, which had evidently been inflicted by the back of a chair, which her murderer had torn loose in his frenzy.

Dr. Halsey, the Coroner, will conduct an inquest today in an effort to determine the actual cause of death. Up to the present the police have no clue to the murderer.

OFFERS \$5000 FOR BANDITS

American Stores Co. Sets Reward for Five Who Slew Employee

American Stores Company officials have offered a reward of \$5000 for arrest or information leading to arrest of men who, on December 31, entered their store at Linwood Heights, Delaware County, stole \$400 and killed Charles McGuire.

There were five gunmen in the crowd. McGuire was shot when he went to the aid of the cashier who was being dragged from her cage.

Although more or less complete descriptions of all the men were obtainable from those in the store, no one saw the automobile in which they escaped. For that reason there has been nothing to show which road they might have taken.

McGuire was married and has eight children, the eldest fifteen. AGED MAN TRIES SUICIDE

Out of Employment, He Cuts Wrists to Bleed to Death

Harvey Allen, a lodger at 1117 Green street, attempted suicide last night by cutting the veins of his wrist. Before he had bled much the cut was discovered and he was taken to the Hahnemann Hospital. He will recover.

Allen told physicians at the hospital he had been dejected. He has no family and has been out of employment. He is sixty-five years old.

FARMER SAYS TONY FELL FROM TRUCK

Contradicts Story When Held on Suspicion—Man Found Dead on Street

Mathew Bonhalzer, employer of Tony, the kithsonian found dead at Roslyn and Mount Carmel avenues, Glenside, late Sunday night, issued a statement this morning purporting to explain the death.

Bonhalzer's statement contradicted his former story which related that Tony had left him at Stenton and Chelton avenues, Germantown, after the two had been delivering pork to customers of the farmer in Germantown.

This morning Bonhalzer said Tony had continued along with him, that both had been drinking, that there had been an argument and as the truck turned at Rothman and Mount Carmel avenues Tony fell off the truck directly

in front of the wheels. Bonhalzer said the front wheels of the truck had gone partially over Tony before he, Bonhalzer, could stop.

He said he got off the truck, extricated his employe, and, seeing he was badly hurt, pulled him into the gutter and left him with the intention of hurrying to his home and getting his touring car and taking Tony to the hospital.

When he returned a few minutes later in his touring car he said he saw a crowd around Tony's body and became frightened. He went to Philadelphia and drove around for three hours before coming home, he said.

The police accept the new statement as the most logical explanation of the death. Bonhalzer is still held without bail on a charge of suspicion of homicide.

Poor Board Reorganized The Germantown Poor Board reorganized yesterday at the almshouse, Pulaski Avenue and Rittenhouse street.

Mrs. Thomas Carmichael, the first woman elected to the board, was sworn in. The other two members of the board are James McClellan and J. Wesley Craig.

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