

GOSSIP OF THE SCHOOLS.

A special meeting of the Teachers' Guild has been called for next Saturday at the Grant school.

Miss Ella Leach, of the Washington school, has resigned. Her marriage to Mr. William Smith, of Main street, takes place next Thursday.

The report of the school attendance for the month of October shows that there is no decrease in general. Some few schools have a decrease, but it is more than made up by the increase in others.

The directors of the St. Clair school have decided to add an eight-room addition to the No. 2 building, which consists of eight rooms. The crowded condition of this school makes this a necessity.

To-morrow the otherwise "blue" Monday school programmes will pass off more pleasantly than usual. Perhaps the fact that it is payday for the teachers explains the matter. The payroll amounts to \$28,387.88, with the payroll from one school district not yet in.

Evening schools are in session in the following districts: Bedford, 3 teachers; Morse, 3 teachers; St. Clair, 2 teachers; Soho, 4 teachers; Kingston, 4 teachers; Forbes, 3 teachers; Birmingham, 2 teachers; Allen, 1 and an assistant. The Wickham and Hamblitt districts also have night schools.

The Executive Committee of the Normal Alumni was busy yesterday sending out over 500 invitations for the reception November 21. The committee had their reception scheduled for the 14th, but as there is to be a general session of the Teachers' Institute that evening the date was changed to the 21st.

SUPERINTENDENT G. M. PHILLIPS, of the Westchester Normal School, and Z. X. Snyder, of Indiana, will be the lecturers at the evening session of the Teachers' Institute, to be held at the First M. P. Church, Fifth avenue, November 21. George M. P. Phillips, and A. E. Maltby will speak at the morning session.

MISS JENNIE SCOTT, of the Bedford school, is recovering from an attack of typhoid fever, at her home in Monongahela City. This is Miss Scott's first year as teacher in the Bedford district, and her experience so far has been unfortunate, as she had taught only 10 days in this term when she was taken ill. Miss Breese is the substitute during her absence.

ALL summer the teachers of the North School have been watching the growth of a big pumpkin that took up its residence in the school yard, and visions of pumpkin pie for the whole crowd of children were before them. Thanksgiving, but alas the pumpkin was stolen last week, and there would be the vengeance if the misdoer could be found!

"PLEASE come to my party and have a good time," so read the invitation that Master Aleck Heister, son of Secretary Heister, sent to over 50 of his little friends, to help him celebrate his 7th birthday, which occurred yesterday. The hours were from 7 to 10 P. M. His friends did have a "good time," and Master Aleck made a splendid host. Dancing was one of the amusements.

A MEMBER of Pittsburg teachers have joined a beneficial society of Massachusetts, whose agent was here last week. The plan looks reasonable for the teachers, as according to the outline they are to pay in but \$30 a year and get in return \$100 annually. This is a very good plan, it is stated, is accounted for by the reason that many join the society and pay the initiation fee, but neglect to pay the assessments as they fall due.

EFFORTS to relieve the great pressure in attendance at the majority of the schools continue to be made. The Oakland School Board, at its last meeting, appointed a Committee on attendance to choose the most suitable location for a proposed new building in the Fourth ward. Every room in the Bellfield building is occupied, and the need of a new building in this constantly growing district is very apparent. It is probable that the new building will be situated in the vicinity of Linden street.

The following are the names of the pupils who stand first in the highest grammar rooms of the ward schools: Grant, Edward Friedman; Riverside, Florence Millard; Hancock, Oscar W. Howard (No. 1), Elizabeth Baker; Howard (No. 2), Avis McCredy; Humboldt, Clara Lorch; Knox, Minnie Cole; Monongahela, Ella Fisher; Hilland, Pearl Frazier; Wickham, Gertrude Lister; Kingston, Florence Newland; Springfield, Clara Long; Washington, Lizzie Jackson; Forbes, Fred Taylor; Lunkey, Ralph Burdick; American, Annie Hite; Third Stevens, Robert Chess; Mt. Albion, Lewis Voelker; Bedford, Jennie Griffin; St. Clair, Annie Prosser; North, Nellie Cox and Willie S. Crosby; Feeble, Lottie Blesing; Birmingham, George Kanbach; Franklin, Alice Leach; Duquesne, John McMahon; Lawrence, Parker Anderson; Washington, Laura Shetrich.

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