

These columns are open to all secret organ izations, but news, and news only, will be printed. Space is too valuable to be given np to the discipline of delinquent members, notice of meetings, praise of individual lodges, advertisement of orders or mere personal puffs.

I. O. O. F.

Next Saturday night the officers-elect of Mechanics' Lodge No. 9 will be installed. All are invited. Commencing next Friday the several D. G. M.'s of the I. O. O. F. will have a full week's work installing the several lodges.

Friday night Pittsburg conferred the third degree, and there was a very large turnout of members and visitors. The work was done in fine style. Next Friday night the officers-elect of Pittsburg Lodge No. 336 will be installed and the brothers are requested to be presenfor that purpose as well as for other business of importance.

Fourth avenue.

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Alice Carey Rebekah Degree Lodge 120 is in a flourishing condition. The present membership is 230 and propositions for members coming in at every meeting night, which is the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month. The staff, consisting of 30 members, does the work in a very creditable manner. At the meeting in March Sarah Hunter and Jane D. Wiley were elected delegates to the convention to be held in May, and Rebecca Aughinbaugh and Bella M. Hooton were elected to take the Degree of Chivalry, in this city, on the 2th of April.

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Aughinbaugh and Bella M. Hooton were elected to take the Degree of Chivalry, in this city, on the 28th of April.

The celebration of the seventy-third anniversary of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, April 25, at the Auditorium, by the Patriarchs Militant promises to be a great success. The principal feature of the event will of course be the conferring of the "Decoration of Chivalry" upon about 50 candidates who have been selected to receive it. This decree will be conferred by General James B. Nicholson and staff, of Philadelphia, assisted by Colonel W. Ed Marsh, of Corry, Pa., and Canton Pittsburg No. 18, under command of Captain Andrew Ackerman, Canton Alicona No. 28, Captain Long, and Canton Alicona No. 28, Captain Long, and Canton Alicona No. 28, Captain Charles E. Means. The following explanation of the degree is given for the benefit of these who have not heard of it before: At the session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge held in Denver, Col., September, 1887, there was authorized a "Decoration of Chivalry" to be conferred in public by the Commander of the Patriarchs Militant, said decoration to consist of three degrees. First, the Grand Decoration of Chivalry to be conferred by the Commander of Patriarchs Militant upon chevaliers whom he shall select for intrinsic worth, military ability and prowess and honorable atributes of character; second, the decoration of chivalry, to be conferred by the Commander of Patriarchs Militant upon chevaliers whom they may select and upon chevaliers whom they may select and upon chevaliers recommended by cantons to receive such decoration, all of whom shall be chosen because of excellence of character, military ability and other honorable qualities; third, the decoration of chivalry, for a lady, to be conferred by the Commander of Patriarchs Militant upon baughters of Rebekah selected by minself and by commanders of departments upon such Daughters of character of the lady selected to receive the decoration, all of which shall be done in consequence of the pure, womanly

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Wednesday evening Allegbeny Council No. 22 held a musical and literary entertainment, with retreshments, in their council chamber, 175 Federal street. The friends of the council showed their appreciation and the esteem in which Allegbeny Council is held by filling the ball till there was no more standing room. An excellent opening address, on the objects of the older, was made by Worthy Deputy Jackson Kerr, followed by some beautiful selections on the mandolin and guitar by Messra. L. W. Duff and W. J. Smith. The Washington Orchestra. Colonel Christy prompter, rendered very choice selections. The singing of little certic Benter and the recitations by Misses Nan and Pearl Warnock and Mr. Joseph Keefer were received with loud applause. The Committee of Arrangements deserves special mention, as the manner in which they passed refreshments to a crowd of peopic, sitting and standing, wassurprising, and the talent selected was above the average. The committee consisted of Mrs. Cora Beatty, Mrs. Bella Flocker, Mrs. Lizzie Color, Mr. John Flocker and Mr. John Ziumer, aswisted by Mrs. McHenry, Mrs. Billings, Miss Putcam, Miss Baker, Miss Means, Mrs. Swoger, Mr. Gray and Mr. J. W. Swoger. If Allegheny Council always has such committees it need fear no failure.

Royal Society of Good Fellows, District Supreme Deputy L. N. Eicher will, in the near future, institute a new assembly on Mt. Washington.

D. S. D. James W. Swoger expects to in-stitute a new assembly at Dawson, Fayette county, Pa., in the near future, with 40 char-The order expects to institute new assemblies at Beaver Falls, New Castle, Homestead, McKeesport and Connellsville, all in this State, in the very near future.

It is the desire of the members of the order n this State to have a Grand Assembly inin this State to have a Grand Assembly in-stituted in Pounsylvania at an early date, and officers of the Supreme Assembly will institute a Grand Assembly Just as soon as the membership reaches the required num-ber.

Pittsburg Assembly No. 23 will, on Friday evening, April 15, institute McKee's Rocks Assembly, at Enterprise Hail, Chartiers. A special train has been arranged for to leave the city at 7:45 F. M., returning after the institution is over. This assembly will have 47 charter members.

Protected Home Circle.

McKeesport Circle is now the largest in the A pound social will be given by Loyal, No. 113, Friday, April 28.

There are now 16 circles that have secured more than 100 members. Banner, No. 36, has passed the 100 line and Is now working for 100 more.

Rock Point Grove has been secured for July 30 for the second annual reunion of the P. H. C. Mt. Washington has fixed April 14 as the

evening for their open meeting. An excel-lent programme has been arranged. The P. H. C. has paid \$8,000 in death losses in the last three months in Pittsburg and Allegheny and has over \$60,000 in its reserve

Pittsburg, 48, has secured a new hall on Sixth avenue where it will meet hereafter on the second and fourth Thursday nights of each month. Their hall is next door to the Duquesne Ctub.

Improved Order Heptasophs. Pittsburg, No. 89, Initiated nine members and received 12 applications at the last meet-ing, Zeta had better look out for her laurels. The semi-annual returns are now all in, and show a large gain in memberahip for NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.



Farewell Week

The World Famed SPECIALIST,

The ladies of Pittsburg are cordially in-vited to attend Mme. Yale's reception, to

rest of importance.

Twenty-five candidates were proposed in Port Pitt Lodge last Tuesday by D. D. G. M. Thomas Matthews. The applicants will draw their cards immediately and connect themselves with the new lodge in Bloomfield. This lodge is in good hands and will start with a large membership.

Canton (Pittsburg) No. 18 and Canton (Allegheny) No. 22 will neet Tuesday night, March 23, for the purpose of having an initial reheared for the anniversary, April 23, and every chevalier is earnestly requested to be on hand, as the ladies, the Colonel and everybody eise will be present at No. 102 Fourth avenue.

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her new books, just out, "The Complexion and Beauty."

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last term. The outlook for this term is even

There is a proposition under consideration by some of the prominent Heptasophs for the erection of a building for lodge pur-poses. It bids fair to materialize. An important meeting of the Heptasophs' Association of Western Pennsylvania will be held Tuesday night at 400 Grant street, Officers for the ensuing term will be elected and the question of the extension of the organization will be acted on.

Good Templars. Moreland Lodge is arranging for an enter-tainment to be held in the near future at its hall, corner Washington avenue and Beaver, Allegheny, which promises to be quite a

West Manchester Lodge had a leap year necktie and apron social at its hall Saturday evening, which was very enjoyable. This lodge is doing more solid hustling now than eyer. The Chief Templar has sent out a circular to the absent members, and a copy of the programme that is to be rendered at each meeting in the quarter.

General Lodge Notes,

Manchester Sons of Liberty Lodge No. 130,
Loyal Orange Institute, meets on the second
and fourth Friday of each month at Washington Hall, corner Beaver and Washington
avenues, Allegheny. The R. A. P. degree
will be conferred on three members at the
next meeting. The following officers have
been elected for the ensuing term: W. M.,
John McCalla; D. M., John Hill; Chaplain,
James McCabe; Secretary, John Hazelton;
D. C., Robert Adams: I. T., David Dixon: C.
M., W. J. Buchanan; Treasurer, R. E. Simpson.

Press Onward Lodge No. 14, I. O. G. T., held Press Onward Lodge No. 14, I. O. G. T., held a very successful leap year social recently. The members of Willow Grove turnished an excellent programme. Brother F. Jack acted as master of ceremonies, and Brother. Grant Whittaker was the auctioneer. Willow Grove Lodge sent a very handsome cake and a prize concealed in a box. Brother Ted Meller won the prize, which proved to be a \$2.50 gold piece. Among the visitors were Brothers Creamer and Harry Winters, of Bessemer Lodge.

Bessemer Lodge.

A musical and literary entertainment was given by General Alex. Hays Council No. 399, O. U. A. M., Wednesday evening, at Morris Hall, McClure avenue, Allegheny, which was made very interesting by some of the best talent of the two cities. This council is growing stronger every month, and Councilor Newhart, assisted by a faithful body of men, will in time make 399 a grand success. The three degress were conferred at the last meeting. The council meets every Thursday evening at Shipman's Hall, Ninth ward, Allegheny.

REFORM IN CERTIFICATES.

Teachers and Pupils Suffer From the Presing and Sloyd Schools-The Gramms Honor List-Allegheny Changes.

deviated from his usual cusom and held an evening institute last Friday and concluded evening institute last Friday and concluded with a Saturday morning session, which brought together a very representative gathering. State Superintendent of Public Instruction, D. J. Waller, yesterday morning spoke on "Certificates." As it is at present there can be obtained provisional certificates, good for one year; professional, given when one displays unusual pedagogic ability; and permanent, which according to present legislation, are only permanent in the county in which issued and outside of that county only good for one year.

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Mr. Waller favors some system of legislation that the permanent certificates can obtain a State value. To do this there must be a uniform system of examination established for applicants for this grade. He stated that over 50 per cent of Pennsylvania's teachers were teaching under the old provisional certificates, good for one year. The system of annually examining candidates for provisional certificates entails unnecessary labor on both county and city superintendent, and at the same time offers a premium to teachers who have no ambition for higher scholarship, thus making it unfair to teachers who had spent time and money to prepare themselves for the highest grade of certificates, inasmuch as under the economic law the price depends on the commodity in market, and therefore, the holders of poor certificates have a tendency to keep down wages. Superintendent Waller favors such legislation as will at the end of three or four years compel the holders of provisional certificates to prepare for a higher grade or drop out of the profession, and that there should be higher motives and zeal in teaching than the pecuniary ones. Dr. O. T. Coursin, Ohio State Commissioner of Education, also made an address.

Honor List of the Grammars.

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mittee met at the appointed hour yester Committee metatthe appointed houryesterday morning, but as one of the members
failed to put in an appearance, the report
could not be completed. Meanwhile the
corridor outside the business room, where
the partial committee was in session, held
many applicants anxious to know their fate,
but it was not to be known yesterday. However, that vacation week may not be passed
with any apprehension, The Disparch is
authorized to state that each applicant has
every prospect of being successful.

Evidences of School Enterprise.

Evidences of School Enterprise, -Pittsburg schools are still coming to the front in all that is new and practicable. At the next meeting of the Central Board of Education the Industrial Committee will recommend that another cooking school be established on the Southside. Lloyd industrial schools will be opened next year at the Homewood, Mt. Washington, Franklin and in one or two other districts. The initiatory one established at the Forbes school still keeps up a remarkable record in attendance and progress.

Odds and Ends of School Gossip. Miss Bells Gallacher, of the Grant School, has arranged her vacation pro-gramme so as to visit at Washington, D. C. THE Teachers' Library Committee announces that the annual subscriptions are due. This applies not to the teachers alone but to all subscribers.

SUFFRINTENDENT LUCKEY has completed arrangements with Superintendent of Public Instruction, D. J. Waller, to speak before a general meeting of the Teachers' Institute before the closing of the schools in June. PRINCIPAL TWITTMETER, of Greensburg, dismissed his schools last Monday and, accompanied by the teachers, visited the Grant and Forbes schools, and spent some time Tuesday at Braddock. Principal Auderson, of Wilkinsburg, was of the party.

REPRESENTATIVE JOHN G. FOX, of the Central Board of Education, is having a delightful jaunt through Southern California, if his letters be any index. His last from San Diego speaks of his visit to the Industrial School there, which he says compares favorably to our own Lloyd.

MISS GRACE B. McMasters, of the Grant School, whose resignation was noted last Sunday, was on Saturday presented with a handsome etching from her pupils and an individual present of Tennyson's volumes. Friday Miss McMasters severed her connection with the Grant School, where for a number of years she ranked as a foremost teacher.

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A rzw changes will mark Allegheny school circles this year. Prof. Jackson, of the Third ward school, has just resigned the principalship to commence the practice of law, he having completed the student course lately. Prof. Dodds, Principal of the High School, contemplates the same course in June. Next Wednesday the directors of the school precinct over which the late Prof. Woods had charge will meet to elect his successor.

FRIDAY, April 8, the principals will meet for further instruction from Mrs. Van Wag-gonen, supervisor of drawing. At the last meeting the first year's work was outlined, but hereafter the time will be devoted to the enlightenment of that intricate branch, perspective.

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