



Mother, Mrs. Annie Smith, Bella arena. None but the near relatives were present. The 'Mistletoe Club' gave the first of its series of winter receptions at the rooms of the Frohman Club, Penn avenue, last Thursday evening. Over 40 couples participated in the enjoyable event. The rooms were decorated handsomely with plants and flowers and presented a very festive appearance. A substantial repast was served at midnight. The reception was under the management of Julius G. Kaufmann, Herman Sore, Oscar Rosenbaum, R. Ochler and L. Brecht.

A delightful birthday surprise party was held at the home of Mrs. John DeLoach, Center avenue, last Friday evening. The guests were: The Misses Lydia and Grace Greer, of Allegheny; Misses Maggie and Jennie Linn, Emma and Clara Burzer, Kate Dillon and Miss Barlow; Mrs. Edward J. and Mrs. A. P. Krenz, John F. and Allie Dierbach, Joseph Groch, Frank and Henry Berthold, Frederick E. Gilson, Franklin A. Lawler, J. Gilson and William W. Weisker.

The Belvidere Club, of the Southside, held a select reception at Reich Palace Parlor Friday evening. Those present were: Misses Nell Peters, Annie Kelly, Mary Kelly, Frankie Martin, Edna Shoch, Alice White, Phoebe C. Teny, May Heinz, Lizzie Seien, Emma May, Mrs. Seien, Mrs. Peter's, Mrs. Martin, George Reiss, George Thomas, John and Mrs. John E. Krenz, Mrs. Dierbach, Mrs. Fred Fichtel, J. C. Krip, Will Spreen, Fred Elinger and Matthew Rammes.

The Rev. John H. Young, of Homewood, who has been pastor of the First Congregational Church of Braddock for the past three years, offered his resignation last week on account of ill health. A congregational meeting was held on Wednesday, October 25, at which his resignation was accepted. Instead, resolutions of sympathy and esteem were passed, beseeching him to remain. A new pastor will be found as soon as possible, to be retained permanently.

Among the happy events of the week was the wedding of Miss Mary Duane, of Allegheny, to Mr. Henry Dorney, of Glenwood. The ceremony was performed at St. Peter's R. C. Church by Father Keating officiating. Miss Mary Duane was bridesmaid and Mr. James Connolly, of Braddock, was best man. On their return they will reside at Glenwood.

Godness of Liberty Council, Daughters of Liberty, will hold a social and entertainment in the Carnegie building to-morrow evening. The program will include a play, a musical and a variety of other features. The event is open to all and is expected to be a very successful one.

planned and demonstrated her system by a class drill. The pupils in the class were only six weeks in school. Miss Coffin, of the High School, delivered an address on primary reading.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Teachers' Institute, yesterday morning, comprising Professors H. W. Fisher, J. K. Bane, Miss M. E. Hare and Miss Jennie Simpson, Prof. H. W. Fisher was elected chairman and Mr. H. H. Hare, secretary. Miss Kate Neiser, financial treasurer. The report of the treasurer showed a balance to the account of the Institute of over \$271.

The fourth annual meeting of the Allegheny County School Directors' Association will be held at the office of County Superintendent Hamilton, in the Court House, on Wednesday morning, November 16, at 10 o'clock. The Executive Committee desires to see many directors present, as the question of free text books will be discussed. The time of meeting has been changed from September to November, as the former month many farmers were to busy at that season to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Weaver, of South avenue, Allegheny, assisted by a number of their friends, celebrated the ninth anniversary of their marriage last Tuesday evening. Several hours were pleasantly passed in social converse and music.

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PERSONAL GOSSIP. Points Pert and Personal About People of the Town and County. Mrs. Charles H. Rust, of Johnstown, is visiting relatives in the East End.

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THE HIGH SCHOOL REPORT. The Committee Finally Agree and Present the Result of Their Conference—The Features of the Paper—Educational Notes From the Two Cities.

Yesterday morning the committee on revision of the method of admission to the High School held its final meeting, and the report was at last adopted and will be presented to the Central Board of Education on November 8. It will be remembered that both majority and minority reports were presented by the Revision Committee to the Central Board of Education, but were defeated. The majority report contains much of Miss Jennie Linn's plan with amendments by the committee. The preliminary examination is to be eliminated; the subject of reading, arithmetic and drawing to be examined at the schools by the supervisor of drawing; writing will also be examined at the ward schools.

First—This promotion to the High School shall be by written examination in arithmetic, reading and drawing. The preliminary examination in 10 per cent of the total number of pupils in any one of the branches of writing and drawing. Second—On a designated day in the last week of December the pupils of the various high school classes shall copy a printed slip, prepared by the Superintendent, and the examination of the candidates' writing. This specimen shall be certified by the principal of the school to the sub-district school, setting forth the name of the candidate. All specimens of writing shall be returned to the principal of the school by the first of December, and the principal of the school shall forward the names of all successful candidates to the Secretary of the Central Board of Education.

Second—All those who average 80 per cent or better in the examination in arithmetic and reading shall be eligible for admission to the High School. The examination in writing and drawing shall be held on the same day as the examination in arithmetic and reading. The examination in writing and drawing shall be held on the same day as the examination in arithmetic and reading.

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