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SOUTH SIDE EVENTS.

Progress of the Battles That Are Being Waged in the Fourth, Fifth and Fifteenth Wards.

The fight for select council in the Fifth ward has dwindled down to two contestants, E. E. Robathan and R. H. Williams. Edwin G. Hughes, who was pressed by his friends to enter the fight and who made a partial canvass of the ward, has withdrawn. The action was taken Wednesday night as announced in yesterday's Tribune. He thanks his friends for their efforts in his behalf.

In the Fourth ward, Richard Nichols and James A. Evans are battling for school controller. It is another interesting fight, as is that in the Fifteenth ward over the office of select council. The candidates are Elias E. Evans and Horatio T. Fellows.

John Fern, of North Sumner avenue, has announced that he is not a candidate for common council in the Fourth ward on the Republican ticket. This leaves three men in the field, William V. Griffiths, William T. Jones, and Simon Thomas. The latter is the incumbent. The battle now being waged in the Fourth ward over the position of ward constable will not be the least interesting on this side of the river. There are three candidates for the position; men with unselfish devotion to the welfare of the ward and the law of the land. First and foremost stands "Jack" Davis, Shrewd, strong and brave, he is after a second term as constable of the ward. Then, there is John Neat, better known as "Jack." He is a candidate. Think also of his stentorian "ell well well!"

There is another, William Hughes, who has had experience in the detective line before. Whoever is selected the office will be acceptably filled.

St. Brendan's Literary Session.

Last evening's literary meeting of St. Brendan council was most interesting. The young men are becoming proficient as debaters and the other features of a good literary programme are given of a vim. Last evening's programme was "Resolved, That Ambition has been More of a Benefit than an Evil to Mankind." It was won by the affirmative side by six points. John Conway read an interesting essay on electricity and James O'Malley gave a fine declamation, his subject was the famous speech of Robert Emmet. Edward O'Malley's select reading was much enjoyed. The debate was participated in by the following: Affirmative, Joseph Barrett, Charles Caravan, Andrew Martin; negative, John Quinnan, Morgan Sweeney and Thomas Gilroy.

Surveyors of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company are looking for an old drift which leads to the two new veins which are about to be worked from the Diamond mine.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Plymouth Congregational church, held a business meeting last evening.

Hon. Seth Orne, of New York, a member of the house of representatives, is the guest of Librarian D. C. Powell, of North Lincoln avenue.

The old borough council met last evening, but no business was transacted. It will probably never meet again.

Miss Stout's Birthday.

Miss Jessie Stout, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Stout, of 1567 Swetland street, entertained a few of her friends Wednesday in honor of her birthday. An enjoyable time was spent. Those present were: Lily and Mabel Tewksbury, Maud Thomas, Bertha Sheuster, Maud Davis, Grace Cramer, Cora Vetter, Mary Cramer, Laura Pawling, Miss Thomas, Stella Parnas, Edna Tewksbury, Ethel Chase, Lavina Easterie, Jennie Tewksbury, Lissie Jones, Mary Evans, Nona Dupue, Virgie Dupue, Ollie Wilkins, Thoda Clark, Mabel Kellow, Ada Slote, Rose Slote, Besie Slote, Jessie Miller, Annie Bergschoff, Jennie Davis, Emma Barry, Mabel Davis, Mildred Widener, Roy Mayo, Mildred Belding, Katie Smith, Emma Smith, Myrtle Miller, Ruth Swayne, Maud Dale, Maud and Helen Slote, Margaret Mayo, Cora Watkins, Miss Stella Banning, Maggie Hill, Mrs. Frank Slote, Mrs. H. A. Tewksbury, Mrs. E. M. Tewksbury, Mrs. F. A. Cramer, Mrs. A. B. Mayo, Mrs. N. C. Mayo, assisted in entertaining.

Disturbance on Scranton Street.

Word was sent to the Jackson street station house at 3 o'clock notifying that a flag was in progress at 547 Scranton street. Lieutenant Williams and Patrolman Tom Lewis called at the above address and found Joseph McNamara, making the night hide-out. They brought him to the lockup and put him behind the bars.

Mrs. Olackson died at her home, on Norman avenue, at 10:30 last night. She was 52 years of age and is survived by a husband and four children.

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Street Cars Will Run Through to Smithville Beginning 'To-morrow—Usual Outlook for Resumption at the South Works.

A new schedule will go into effect to-morrow in the street car service on this side; the line will be operated as far as Smithville, which is a short distance this side of Pittston. After 8:45 a. m. ten-minute service will be given as far as the city line. Half-hour trips will be made to Smithville until 10:45 at night when the last car will leave. A car leaving Franklin avenue at 11:15 p. m. will go as far as Middlesboro. The ten-minute service will fall back to fifteen-minute trips to the city line after 8:45 at night.

The first car out in the morning, leaving the Linden street barn at 8:45, will go through to Smithville, and then until the last car goes at night the through trips will leave at fifteen minutes and 45 minutes after the hour. Seven cars will be required to carry out this schedule. The round trip to Smithville will be made in two hours and twenty minutes. The round trip to the city line will be made in forty-five minutes. The last car will leave the avenue for Pittston at 11:25 p. m. The crews who will have charge of the seven cars are as follows: Dolph and Gallagher, Foy and Kresky, Dolph and Higgins, Messett and Brennan, Cartwell, and new ones, Wm. O'Donnell, Feltz and McAndrew and John O'Donnell, Polmatier and Carden, Honshilland Raymond, Hewitt and M. Brennan, E. B. Wilson and Swingle, Grasencher and Gill.

Prospect of Resumption at Steel Mill.

Notice was given to a number of machinists at the South steel mill yesterday that the work on hand is sufficient to keep them going until the first of the month. It is expected that the work on hand is sufficient to keep them going until the first of the month. It is expected that the work on hand is sufficient to keep them going until the first of the month.

Shorter Paragraphs of News.

James, the 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Campbell, of 120 Irving avenue, died at 9 o'clock last evening. No little one had been sick three weeks. The funeral will appear tomorrow. The funeral of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Vaughan will be held this afternoon.

George Darrow, of Hickory street, has returned from a visit to Factoryville.

The Scranton Saengerfunde will give a concert next Monday evening at Natter's hall.

The young people here are enjoying the skating on the various ponds surrounding the borough for the past few days.

The office of the Pennsylvania Coal company has been undergoing extensive repairs for the past few months. It is now about completed, and is the finest office building in the state.

A very interesting programme is being prepared for the regular weekly meeting of the Royal Legion on Saturday night.

The annual meeting of the Dunmore Club is being held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick McDonald, of Spencer street, on Saturday evening.

The injured member near the knee, who was crushed by a log, is now recovering rapidly. It will be necessary to amputate the leg at the knee.

Murphy attended him, and in consultation with Dr. Garvey it was decided to remove the leg today.

It has been visiting different gentlemen's furnishing stores in Scranton trying to secure wearing apparel on the name of W. S. Fox, editor of the Dunmore Globe.

He would be caught a lesson for his audacity that he will not soon forget.

Brooke is considered to be the greatest pitcher in the country today, and since '92 he has held a position on the theoretical all-American foot ball eleven.

This eleven is picked from the five largest colleges, namely: University of Pennsylvania, Harvard, Yale, Princeton and Cornell.

The names of the Pennsylvania players who occupy positions on the American team this year, and who will play in the game today, are: Williams, Gilbert, Brooke, Woodruff, Bull, Waggoner, Wharton and Minda.

It is not definitely decided how the Scranton team will line up, though it is hardly expected that any change will be made in the line. Back of the line there will be six men to choose from, namely: Foster, Noakes, Foster, Gilbert and Steele.

There are Several Combinations.

Two or three combinations can be picked from these men. There has been some talk among the knowing ones that the six men will be divided in two sets, a different set to be used in each half. The boys are all anxious to get in the game, and it will be a sore disappointment if they do not. However, the preference will be given to the old players, and the youngsters can have their turn next year.

A photograph of the Pennsylvania team is on exhibition at Lewis, Reilly & Davies' store on Wyoming avenue.

Charles Gilbert and a number of others of the University of Pennsylvania team arrived here last night on the 11:16 Delaware and Hudson train.

The others of the team who had lectures to attend, could not get away last night and will come this morning. A telegram was sent last night to Arthur Knapp requesting him to come on with the remainder of the team, and as he promised to come if needed it is possible that he may be seen in today's game. The Woodruff boys, Wiley and George, stopped over in Wilkes-Barre last night and will come up early this morning.

Corbett's Silverware.

Is the best and unquestionably the best for those who are willing to pay a little more than the finest plated goods cost.

Corbett, 105 Washington avenue, sells both sorts.

Gifts for Christmas.

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CHIEF FERBER'S PLANS.

He Will Outline Them to the Board of Underwriters To-day.

Important Conference To-day as a Result of Which It is Expected the Project Will Assume Definite Shape.

To-day, the Fire Underwriters, who have undertaken the commendable project of securing a paid fire department for this city will have a conference with Chief Ferber in order to secure his views on the matter.

To a Tribune reporter, yesterday afternoon, Chief Ferber outlined the plan he will submit to the board of underwriters. It contemplates a total dissolution of the volunteer department as the first step. For a start he would substitute a small paid fire department just sufficient to work the apparatus now owned by the city. For engine companies he would select seven men, five to be regularly employed and two to be "call men," these "call men" to be under condition somewhat similar to those governing the employment of engineers and stokers at the present time.

For the Suburban Companies.

Suburban hose companies might have three permanent men and one "call man." With sixty-six permanent men and eighteen "call men" the chief feels confident of being able to satisfactorily carry on the work of the department. The increase in expense will be nothing as compared with the increase in the worth of the department, he contends.

In each company he would have a captain who would be held accountable to the chief and through him to the city, for the discipline of the men under him, and who would be responsible for the department property in the company's possession. As by the arrangement there would be only six men with whom the chief would have to deal, the government of the department would, on account of its compact character, be much easier and better results would ensue.

Are Subject to Changes.

These plans, the chief explained, are subject to many changes, as there will undoubtedly be many good suggestions made and many new ideas will occur as the matter assumes definite shape as it is investigated and worked out.

Mayor Connell is now considering the selection of a fire marshal which office was created at the last session of the legislature. The duties of the officer are principally to investigate suspicious fires and to prosecute violators of the city ordinance guarding against fire.

Another Road Gobbled.

Philadelphia Capitalists Secure Long Island City Trolley Road.

Philadelphia, Dec. 5.—Announcement was made that a syndicate of Philadelphia capitalists had acquired the entire street railway system and electric lighting plant of Long Island City. The syndicate is composed of a number of capitalists who have been largely interested in the street railways of this city.

The system will be fully equipped with additional rolling stock and put in operation at once. A new company will be formed, probably under the name of the Kings county and Long Island City Traction company.

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