

News of the Suburbs.

WEST SIDE EVENTS.

Fair and Festival in Progress at the First Welsh Baptist Church—To Present the Flag.

At the First Welsh Baptist church last night a fair and festival was begun. If the success of last night be continued at tonight's affair the Ladies' Aid society, which is in charge, will reap a large benefit. A big crowd enjoyed the pleasure of last evening. In the church basement where the festival is conducted, there were placed about in the corners several booths where articles were sold by corps of ladies. A supper was served in the main hall. One contest was raved. The prize was a doll and Miss Pearl Jenkins and Myrany Beynon were the contestants. The result will be learned tonight.

NINTH ANNUAL SOCIAL.

The Twilight Social club held forth last evening in Mearns' hall with their ninth annual ball. It was a large number of young people. The Twilights are popular and as managers of socials the young men are very successful. Those who attended to the direction of the evening were: Mrs. J. J. Cusick, secretary; J. J. Larkin, treasurer; promoter; M. F. Cullin.

WILL RECEIVE THE FLAGS.

The Salvation army is to congratulate itself next Friday evening over its victory in the War Cry contest. The army won the flags offered in the competition and at the forthcoming celebration. Brigadier William Curry, the veteran and staff will present the trophies to Captain Masland's corp. The meeting will be at the barracks on Price street. Tickets for the gathering are being circulated.

STOLE HIS OVERCOAT.

Tom Blair, of South Main avenue, had an overcoat. He has not got it now. Last evening two Hungarians sneaked Sam Davis' pool parlor on North Main avenue and playing a few games they left. The overcoat went too. There is no clue to the identity of the thieves. They were seen to emerge from the pool place; one of the men pressed a mysterious bundle under his coat. They then disappeared.

NEWS NOTES AND PERSONALS.

The drawing for the benefit of John Richard, which was to have occurred on April 15, has been postponed until June 25.

At the fair and festival now being conducted at the First Welsh Baptist church a quilt is on an exhibition which is worthy of mention. It is figured with a grape pattern and upon the quilt 1,200 imitations of grapes have been woven. The maker is Mrs. Ann Davis. When the lady's age, 87 years, is considered the patience and amount of work necessary seems greater.

Philip Giles, of Eynon street, is ill with typhoid fever.

A child of Mr. and Mrs. George Jones, of South Main avenue, is ill.

Mrs. Dinah Jones, of South Main avenue, returned yesterday from a visit at Wilkes-Barre.

Samuel Gibbs, of Hampton street, is recovering from an illness.

The Scranton Philharmonic Choral society will meet this evening at the Scranton Street Baptist church to prepare for the concert which will be held under the auspices of the church next Thursday evening, April 9. All members are requested to be present.

Next Thursday evening in Mearns' hall a musical treat will be offered. The prize winners at the recent estedford

SOUTH SIDE NEWS.

Disorderly Polanders Create Trouble on South Side Street Car-Balls Held Last Night.

Four people boarded Conductor Davis' car on the South Side line yesterday afternoon. One of them was a woman, and she was not under the influence of liquor, but the three men were. The noisiest one was her husband, and his profanity was such that the conductor put him off at Cedar avenue. Another one of the crowd at Cedar avenue, who was drunk, and met with the same treatment.

The woman then took a hand in the trouble and was more difficult to control than the men combined. She made savage attacks with her fists upon Conductor Davis and Motorman Fleming. Her name is Mrs. Kosloskie and her husband's name is John. They live in Greenwood.

BALLS HELD LAST NIGHT.

At Central park last night the first annual ball of the South Side Base Ball club was held. Miss Katie Reardon furnished the music. The committee in charge of arrangements consisted of Owen Melvin, John Hastings, William Vaughan, Con Fallon and Michael Lafrey. At Germania hall the ball was held. The Oriental Base Ball club was held.

SHORTER PARAGRAPHS.

The funeral of Mrs. Christina Miller will be held from the late residence, 829 Birch street, this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Services will be held at the house and interment will be made in North Washington avenue cemetery.

A. C. Myers, of Pittston avenue, is in Hazleton on business.

Miss Emma Dunleavy, of Pittston avenue, is visiting in Carbondale.

A regular meeting of Camp 430, Fraternal Order Sons of America, was held last night at Fenelon's hall.

Mrs. Michael Mulaney, of Stone avenue, is seriously ill.

The building committee of St. Joseph's Total Abstinence and Benevolent society, of Minooka, is inspecting plans for a new hall to replace the one which was destroyed by fire on the morning of March 10.

COL. COURSEN DISAPPROVES.

Exception Taken to the Prescribed Report of National Guard Ratings—To Continue the Old Rifle Range.

The ratings of the regiments and the organization as furnished in the report of the adjutant general came up for a severe round of criticism at last night's quarterly meeting of the Thirtieth regiment, of the Thirtieth regiment, of this city. The report as published rates the First regiment, of Philadelphia, as the leading regiment in the state and Company A, Thirtieth regiment, as the leading company.

The Thirtieth's officers say the ratings as published contain some glaring errors which reflect to the discredit of the regiment. The report as published gives Company D, Thirtieth regiment, an efficiency of 95.77; First troop and Company E, Thirtieth regiment, of Philadelphia, 94.71; Company A, Thirtieth regiment, 94.49, and Company G, Thirtieth regiment, 82.86. It is claimed Company A's rating should be 96.49 and Company G's rating should be 94.06 instead of 82.84, the general average given by the effective rating, and would make the Thirtieth the leading regiment in the state. The report as published now is accredited with 83.29 and the leading position.

The ratings are made by averaging the camp inspection, target practice and spring inspection figures of the year.

Last night's meeting also considered the proposition of F. M. Spencer to locate the rifle range on a tract of land owned by the city on the Spencer mine property in Dunmore. A change from the present location at Dickson had been contemplated because of the encroachment of a culvert which hides the long range targets. It was decided to continue the present range by moving the long range firing points to a position against the hill on the east side of the river.

DUNMORE.

An interesting programme has been prepared for the monthly meeting of the Epworth league, which meets in the Methodist church tonight.

Miss Cushman, of Honesdale, is the guest of Miss Susie Dodge at her home on Williams street.

Miss Jessie Williams, of Elmhurst, was calling on numerous friends in this place yesterday afternoon.

The school board and council will meet in regular monthly session tonight.

Miss Mattie Wilcox, of Madisonville, is spending a few days with Miss Evelyn Osterhout, of South Blakely street.

Yesterday afternoon at 4:45 an alarm of fire was sounded from the corner of Pine and Blakely streets, the blaze being in the butcher shop of J. E. Schuller. The building has been unoccupied since Mr. Schuller took charge of the meat department in the Union cash stores and how the blaze originated is a mystery. The companies quickly responded and extinguished the blaze before much damage was done.

Jacob Crist, an engineer on the Wilkes-Barre and Eastern, is spending a few days with his family on Dudley street.

Miss Josephine Boemer, of Mill City, is a guest at the home of her brother Victor on Dudley street.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Dudley Street Baptist church will hold a social at the residence of John Moffat on Elm street Wednesday evening. Cards are out announcing the engagement of Miss Polen, of West Pittston, and Mr. Louis Van Wimmer, of this place.

PROVIDENCE.

Samuel McEachen is slightly indisposed at his home on Oak street.

The Providence United choir will meet this evening in Archbald's hall on Wayne avenue.

Miss Hattie Evans, of Wilkes-Barre, is visiting friends on Wayne avenue for a few days.

Jacob Ryan, of Carbondale, spent yesterday and Sunday with friends in the North End.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Primitive Methodist church will conduct an apron festival this evening in the church on East Market street.

The members of Keystone Literary and Dramatic club last night presented in an excellent manner a thrilling drama in four acts entitled "Forced to the War."

The funeral of the late Mrs. Eliza J. Jones will take place from her late home on Oak street at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Interment will be made in Washburn street cemetery. The Economy Athletic club will conduct a masquerade on Friday, April 10, in Company H armory.

NEW TROTTING CIRCUIT

Representatives of Six Cities to Meet Here Tomorrow.

DRIVING PARK'S NEW PLANS

Will Be Made a Day and Night Pleasure Ground of the Metropolitan Kind—Proposed Change in Transportation Facilities.

Representatives of the Driving Park associations of Bethlehem, Trenton, Allentown, Waverly, J. Binghamton and Scranton, will meet at the Wyoming house tomorrow to elect officers and transact other business relating to the proposed new trotting circuit among the cities named.

Following the Fleetwood races in June there will be trotting meets in Bethlehem, Scranton and Binghamton in the average season. The meeting will be during the last week in June. In these three cities and Trenton, Allentown and Waverly there will be trotting meets during the first week in October.

In connection with this plan is another scheme in which the owners of the Scranton Driving park are individually interested. They propose making the park a local pleasure ground, and are now making elaborate arrangements to that end.

The trotting circuit idea is not new nor is it wholly those of the wishes of the Driving Park owners that this city was included in the circuit. The plan was suggested by the owners to combine in a circuit with the other cities mentioned but first tested the feelings of turfmen in this city and vicinity. It was found that the latter were more than favorably impressed with the plan and would patronize it not only by their approval but would guarantee many entries. Such favorable sentiment caused the owners several months ago to notify the officers of associations in the other cities that Scranton would be one of the circuit.

THIS CITY WAS FAVORED.

How Scranton stands in the deal is shown in the fact that this city was chosen for the general meeting in the Wyoming house tomorrow.

The plan for making the Driving park a day and night pleasure ground will interest the general public rather than horsemen. It is proposed to build a dam in the Lackawanna river, near the bridge, and in the lake thus formed there will be created an island nearly a quarter-mile in length alongside the eastern bank of the river. The island will be used as a picnic ground and boats will be placed on the lake.

A circular bicycle track will be made by using a portion of the present home and garden of the late John W. H. H. field will be leveled and equipped for trap and target shooting. In whole, the property will be turned into a well-polished, fully equipped day and night pleasure-ground of the metropolitan order.

OPEN AIR ATTRACTIONS.

Arrangements are now practically completed with a New York city producer of spectaculars for presenting an open-air attraction by 100 performers for ten days during July or August. Whatever attraction of this kind is decided upon, the performers will all be imported and there will be none of the rawness so apparent in past productions of the kind where the super-numeraries have been from this city.

The pleasure resort plan is so matured that within a few weeks work will start on the dam. Negotiations have already been opened with construction preparatory to receiving bids for doing the work in the park proper. Arrangements are pending with the Scranton Traction company for extending the tracks of the Green Ridge People's line over the river and past Koch's hotel to the southwest corner of the park near the grand stand.

FOR THE CHURCH FUND.

Children's Entertainment to Be Given at the Howard Place Church.

An entertainment by eleven performers will be given Wednesday evening in the Howard Place African Methodist church for the benefit of the new church building fund. Mrs. C. A. Magee and Miss Sadie Morton have been drilling the little ones. Following is the programme:

Recitation, "William's Water Melon," Miss Lillian Smith

Instrumental music, "Yale March," Miss Estelle Howard

Quartette, "Breaking in the Old," Misses Morton and Plater, Messrs. Wilson and Plater

Solo, "Alice," Miss Janet Lackey

Dialogue, "How to Be Answered," Miss Maggie Dorsey and Miss Giles

Quartette, "We've All Got a Very Big Cold," Misses Lee and Howard, Messrs. Wilson and Plater

Recitation, "The New Woman," Mrs. Sadie J. Morton

Tableaux—First, the wedding; Bride and groom, Misses Lily and Ed. Meyers, Bridesmaid, Miss F. Scott, Groom's best man, Festus Crump, Second—"Rock and Roll," Miss Janet Lackey

At the close of the second there will be a sailing chorus and drill by twelve ladies and gentlemen, Mrs. Sadie J. Morton, captain. First part will conclude with a doll drill led by Anna May Stackhouse.

TONIGHT'S GREAT BALL.

Will Be Held at the Frothingham for Sweet Charity's Sake.

Every indication points toward the financial as well as social success of the charity ball tonight at the Frothingham. All the arrangements have been perfected and there will be every arrangement tonight for the comfort and enjoyment of the hundreds who will attend. The theater will be beautifully decorated. As soon as "The Messiah" audience left the theater last night a force of men went to work lowering the theater floor and placing the false dancing floor in position. The decorators were also at work last night.

The following have purchased boxes: O. S. Johnson, John Jermyn, William Connell, Lemuel Amerman, L. A. Waters, Mrs. Mina Robinson and B. J. Neville. All ticket holders are requested to meet at the theater at 7:30 p. m. Mr. F. Sando, emc, at his office on Wyoming avenue. Reports received last night indicated that the Foundling Home will realize a large sum on the ball.

MINOOKA.

Mr. and Mrs. Laine, of Seattle, Washington, who have been visiting friends here the past few weeks, will return home Wednesday.

Lawrence Cosgrove, of West Avoca, was a Minooka visitor yesterday.

The O'Connell Council, No. 184, Young Men's Institute, held an enjoyable tramp smoker at their rooms on Willow street last evening. An excellent programme of vocal solos, recitations and essays was creditably rendered by the members. After the intermission light refreshments and cigars were partaken by the attending hoboes. The affair was a decided success, and reflects much credit on the committee of arrangements.

Mr. J. Cusick has accepted a position as clerk at Hotel Jermyn, Scranton.

Rev. Knapp's Case.

Washington, April 6.—The state department was informed by the United States charge d'affaires at Constantinople that Rev. Mr. Knapp, the American missionary, has not been expelled from Brusa. It is supposed to have reached town between Bitlis and Constantinople.

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