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WHY SEND YOUR LACE CURTAINS OUT OF THE CITY TO BE LAUNDERED? Special facilities with artistic manipulators of the art warrants your patronage at home.

The Lackawanna 308 Penn Avenue. A. B. WARMAN.

Watch This Space For Our Opening Ad. Of Our New Store.

Williams & M'Anulty Carpets, Draperies and Wall Paper.

125 WYOMING AVE.



CITY NOTES.

Dr. Rev. Bishop O'Hara will confirm a number of children in St. Paul's church, Green Ridge, Sunday afternoon. Michael Lesko, late of Hungary, Edwin and Frank Mielinski, late of England, were naturalized by Judge Archbald yesterday.

WILL THE CITY OWN ITS ELECTRIC PLANT

Councilman Noone Says Yes, and introduces an Ordinance.

WILL COST AT LEAST \$200,000

Ordinance Which Was Referred to Committee Provides for Submitting the Question at the Spring Election. Another Measure Also Provides for a Municipal Industry, That the City Shall Establish an Asphalt Repair Plant.

Common Councilman Noone, of the Eighteenth ward, believes the city should own and conduct an electric light plant. He took the first step last night in common council meeting by introducing an ordinance which was referred without debate to the light and water committee.

Mr. Noone's ordinance provides for increasing the city debt to the amount of \$200,000 for the purpose of purchasing land, erecting the necessary buildings and equipping them with the necessary apparatus and machinery. The funds are to be raised by an issue of city bonds, the question to be submitted to the city's electors at the next election on the third Tuesday of February.

Mr. Noone is sanguine of the eventual success of his idea. To a Tribune reporter he said: "It now costs the city about \$50,000 per year for electric light and this large sum has been for years gradually increasing and will continue to increase. I have investigated the matter carefully and have secured the opinions of competent electrical engineers that the city can maintain a fully equipped plant for from \$100,000 to \$150,000 per year which includes labor, fuel, current materials and repairs.

"The \$200,000 estimated cost includes poles, wires, and incandescent lamps and in fact every detail necessary to a complete plant. Hardly a meeting of either branch of councils takes place without an objection from one or more councilmen to the rapidly increasing expenditure for lights. The corporations now furnishing light are certainly making a profit, and there is no reason why the city shouldn't economize to whatever amount that profit is. I figure that the saving will be at least \$25,000 and more likely \$30,000 the first year and that the sum will increase rapidly thereafter.

NOONE IS SANGUINE. "No, the project is not new to me. I have delayed presenting an ordinance until now in order to engage the interest of councilmen and others who will be concerned. Who is his competitor? If the committee decided to report favorably the measure be printed and presented to the council next Thursday night. The motion was made in order to lose no time, as but a little over two months intervenes between now and election day, and the ordinance provides that the question to be submitted to popular vote must be advertised at least thirty days before election.

No specifications are attached to the measure. It contains no reference to poles, wires or machinery, those requisites being included in the "necessary apparatus and machinery." In connection with Mr. Noone's ordinance there was a pertinent significance in the debate preceding the defeat on last night reading of an ordinance introduced by Mr. Zellner and providing for an electric light on the south side of Mulberry street at the junction of Oak and Elm streets, the latter being the property of Mr. Keller, of the Seventeenth, and Mr. Flanagan, of the Eighth wards, were warm in their opposition to supporting this or any future ordinance providing for new electric lights. Mr. Zellner, now unlighted corners and then only when such lights were absolutely necessary and generally demanded. Any future ordinance would be closely examined and not favored unless they related to outlying wards where the need of lights was not questioned.

They argued that Scranton on account of its great spread of territory in proportion to its population was paying more for lights, comparatively, than a large majority of cities.

PIETRO GIRLS ARE CAUGHT AT LAST

Second Oldest Arrested by Lieutenant Davis in the Leader Store.

THEY ARE CLEVER PICK-POCKETS

By Offering Artificial Flowers and Toy Balloons For Sale They Pursued Their Trade More Easily. They Came Here from Newark, and Since Then Many Complaints Were Made of Women Losing Their Pocket Books.

Four weeks ago three Italian sisters, the oldest 17 years and married, and the youngest 15 years and unmarried, were on Lackawanna avenue selling toy balloons and artificial flowers, and about the same time complaints began to be made of women losing their pocketbooks in the Leader, the Globe Warehouse, the Four Cent store and other prominent business places.

LETTER FROM MR. HITTENHOUSE. A letter from J. W. Hittenhouse, who complains that because of improper sewer construction the cellar of his property is constantly flooded, was referred to the recommendation by the auditing committee to the sewers and drains committee.

HIRAM LODGE ELECTION. North End Masons Elect Emlyn Morris Grand Lodge Representative and His Brother Worshipful Master.

Hiram lodge, No. 261, Free and Accepted Masons, of the North End last night held its annual election. Emlyn Morris, the retiring worshipful master

was chosen representative to the grand lodge. He is but 27 years old and is the youngest grand lodge representative in this section of the state and possibly in the commonwealth. He is a machinist in the Providence shops of the Lackawanna and Hudson companies. Mr. Morris is succeeded as worshipful master by his brother, Evan R. Morris. He is the assistant city clerk.

ASPHALT REPAIR PLANT. Another important measure involving municipal ownership and which its author claims will also soon involve the city is the purchase of an asphalt repair plant and was passed comparatively unopposed and unnoticed at last week's session of select council. It came up for consideration last night. The resolution directs the city engineer to report on or before March 1st concerning the feasibility of constructing a municipal asphalt repair plant and its estimated cost. The measure was read and passed without comment. Following its passage Captain Moir asserted if the city acquire its own plant it will have brought about one of the biggest municipal economies in Scranton's history.

MR. DURR'S STATEMENT. Mr. Durr was accorded the privilege of the floor and from his remarks and those of Mr. Flanagan the grievance against the steam furnishing company was because of its disposition to charge the city \$600 to connect the engine house, which is on E. Franklin avenue, with the Spruce street main. The debaters argued that the company was chargeable for so trying to press the limit of the law. Mr. Flanagan granted a franchise. Mr. Flanagan went so far as to aver that from \$10,000 to \$20,000 worth of city pavement was being dam-

GREEN RIDGE WEDDING.

Two Prominent People United at Church of the Good Shepherd.

AT THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD in Green Ridge last evening at 8 o'clock, Charles Ridgeway and Miss Laura Kellman were united in marriage by the pastor, Rev. Frank S. Ballentine.

SACRED CHAMBER CONCERT. Well Rendered High Class Program at Y. M. C. A. Hall. The second of this season's chamber concerts was well attended last evening at Association hall and the programme presented afforded pleasure and instruction in equal parts.

INFLATED EDITIONS. are no longer necessary. The regular every day paper is the best medium in which to advertise goods, whether Christmas or otherwise.

DROPPED FIFTEEN DOLLARS. The lieutenant took her up the street until he met Patrolman Moir on the corner and turned her over to him. Mrs. Delke was back from the Four Cent store at the police station with Patrolman Moir and the youthful prisoner. Captain Edwards was standing at the door of the station talking to Lieutenant Peter Zane, of South Side, as the girl was being brought in and they saw her drop a roll of paper money on the floor.

SEARCHED THE HOUSE. Chief Robling, Lieutenant Davis and Patrolman Moir went to where the girls live at 512 Pleasant street, in McCann's patch, and searched the house. Chief Robling, who followed the girls to different places, two of them being made from alligator skins. One of them was shield-shaped and was made so that it could have been used as a shield in the search of the house. There was no dry goods or other articles found that would show they had been guilty of any crime.

BUY HER A CAMERA. for Nmas. We have 'em at 203 Wash. ave.

SAWYER'S LESS THAN HALF-PRICE SALE. One of the hardest things in advertising is to make people believe values are as good as we say they are. With so much exaggeration passing for truth, the truth very often seems like exaggeration. It is so in the case of the sawyer's millinery. Have almost never been known at this season of the year, and yet some people wonder why they didn't come sooner.

GREAT TRANSACTION IN CLOTHING. The Manhattan Clothing Company Purchases the Entire and Enormous Stock of Morris Davidov. Mr. Davidov Will Go Into the Real Estate Business.

RETURNED THE CALL. Sons of Veterans Entertained by the Union Veterans Union. Camp No. 8, Sons of Veterans, made a very successful and enjoyable excursion last night, and a rousing camp fire was given in honor of the occasion.

LADIES' WINTER JACKETS AT CUT PRICES.

Made of Fine Irish Frieze, in all colors. Also in Fine Beaver in blue, black and tan, Empire collar, new sleeve with cuffs; shield front, with new back, worth \$12.00.

CASH PRICE, \$8.98.

CLARKE BROTHERS. Tailor made full suits and overcoats, latest styles, John Ross, 207 Spruce street.

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WE ARE PREPARING FOR THE BOOM...

Diamonds, Watches, Jewelry, Sterling Silver Novelties, ALL THE LATEST.

HONEST GOODS AT RIGHT PRICES.

BERRY, THE JEWELER

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SPECIAL Christmas Offerings

Fine Alaska Seal Skin Sackie, latest style, \$250, Sale Price, \$198

Electric Seal Coats, latest style, \$125, Sale Price, \$99

Astrakhan Coat, latest style, \$150, Sale Price, \$69

Alaska Seal Cape, four yards wide, twenty inches long, \$250, Sale Price, \$198

Persian Capes, three and one-half yards wide, twenty-seven inches long, \$125, Sale Price, \$89

Mink Cape, four yards wide, twenty-four inches long, \$125, Sale Price, \$85

Electric Seal Capes, four yards wide, twenty inches long, \$85, Sale Price, \$25

COLLARETTES.

All the Latest Styles and the Lowest Prices.

SEAL CAPES, GLOVES, WRISTLETS

LOWEST PRICES.

Have your Furs repaired by the only practical Furrier in the city.

J. BOLZ

138 Wyoming Avenue.

Great Innovation Sale

NOW IN PROGRESS. Our entire stock of \$20,000 of Elegant Millinery will be sold at half price.

HASLACHER'S MILLINERY. H. LANGFELD, Successor, 324 Lackawanna Avenue, WHITE FRONT.

Indeed It Is True. The most useful Christmas present.

DINNER, TEA, TOILET SETS. Large Assortment, prices from \$6.50 to \$100.00 AT RUPPRECHT'S CRYSTAL PALACE 131 Penn Ave. Opp. Baptist Church Middle of the Block.

Scranton News Co. FOR ALL Newspapers, Magazines, and Story Papers, ALWAYS OPEN. 103 Wyoming Avenue Branch Stand, 303 Linden Street In Front of Turkish Baths.

BI HATS AT Dunn's

SIEBECKER & WATKINS, 406 Lackawanna Ave. Opp. Wyoming House. (LARGE WINDOW.)