

West Side Department

MR. MOSER HONORED.

Presented with a Handsome Picture by the Members of Camp 178, P. O. S. of A., Last Night.

Camp 178, Patriotic Order Sons of America, installed officers last evening and in connection with and after the installation a testimonial entertainment was tendered D. W. Moser, who for twenty-three years has held the office of treasurer of the camp. At the



D. W. MOSER.

Honored by the Members of Camp 178, P. O. S. of A.

Last election Mr. Moser refused to accept of another term and in honor of his services the testimonial was arranged. The officers installed last evening were: James Hutson, president; Frank Phillips, vice president; Linn Decker, financial secretary; William Beseker, recording secretary; J. Archie Jones, master of forms; William Sweet, conductor; Sylvanus Savitts, Harry Bradshaw, trustees.

Retiring president of the camp, Daniel W. Phillips, who is also district president of the order, conducted the installation and presided over the testimonial exercises. In his opening remarks Professor Phillips, in his original style, started the happy ball-rolling. The assemblage sang "The Star Spangled Banner," Albert Davies singing the solo part. J. Archie Jones and Watkin Morgan entertained with a mandolin and Ernest Scott played a pleasing "band" and harmonica; Hugh A. Howell read an original poem, Watkin Morgan sang a solo, and J. Archie Jones declaimed, accompanied by music from the quartette. Alfred Twining read a description of the battle of Gettysburg. This description was in harmony with a gift that was afterward presented to Mr. Moser as a token of the esteem in which he is held by the organization which he has so well served. The gift was a steel engraving of the battle of Gettysburg, the work of E. G. Bernheim. The frame is 4x8 1/2 inches and is of handsomely carved oak.

H. C. Hinman, of Ninth street, made the presentation speech. Mr. Hinman is a charter member of the camp. He first spoke of the early trials and struggles of the little that babyhood is heir to, and of the action of the first treasurer of the camp who made an unrighteous escape, "taking with him the



H. C. HINMAN.

Made the Speech of Presentation to Mr. Moser.

entire treasury," said Mr. Hinman. He then eulogized David H. Moser, who, he said, was entrusted with the office at that time so abused and ever since that time Mr. Moser has held it, faithfully and honestly.

Mr. Moser made a few remarks in accepting the handsome token.

VISITORS ENTERTAINED.

St. Brendan council, Young Men's Institute, after defeating their brethren from Father Coughlin council, of Philadelphia, in St. Thomas' hall Wednesday night, headed the inflected wound last night when the Citizens of Brotherhood Love were given a reception in the local council's suite of rooms on South Main avenue. The affair was a stag affair; no ladies being present, the gentlemen dived into the flood of pleasure and it was midnight when the end came. It was a delightful informal affair, cigars were smoked and later in the evening a luncheon was served. In addition to the Philadelphia debaters, Dr. Charles Green, H. Augustine O'Callahan and Richard A. Foley, there were present J. T. Murphy and J. J. O'Boyle, also of Philadelphia; P. F. Gillen, president of the Young Men's Institute, Pennsylvania division, and Rev. T. P. McNally and Rev. J. P. Malone. Each of the visiting gentlemen responded to a call for remarks. Mr. O'Callahan entertaining with a couple of clever selections.

DEATH OF MRS. ZERFASS.

Mrs. Luella Zerfass, wife of William Zerfass, died at 1 o'clock yesterday morning at her home, 1116 Washburn street. Death was primarily the effect of a fall which Mrs. Zerfass sustained one week ago Wednesday. She slipped on a particle of ice on the front porch of her residence and the shock brought on a long period of intermittent convulsions. Her advanced age made the attack more dangerous and death was expected at any moment since the accident. Mrs. Zerfass was well known on the West Side. She came here thirteen years ago and had made many friends in that time. She was 66 years old, and was born in Chenango county, New York state. She was a regular attendant at the Wash-

burn Street Presbyterian church and was held in the highest esteem by her associates. Mr. Zerfass, husband of the deceased, is a member of the firm of Washburn & Zerfass, planing mill operators. There are no children. The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon from the house.

WEEK OF PRAYER SERVICE.

The week of prayer services were conducted last evening at the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church, Rev. Thos. Bell preaching an eloquent sermon. The service tonight will be held in the Welsh Congregational church, when people are most cordially invited. The subjects to be presented are "Schools and Families." The order of the exercises will be as follows: Singing and prayer, short address, "The Moral Influence of a Board of School Control, and also the Teacher;" short address, "The Formation of Character," followed by prayer for teachers, scholars and all in authority on schools; short address, "The Christian Home, Its Influence on our Youth," short address, "Its Influence on the Community," short address, "Family Religion." Will the friends bring gospel hymns No. 5.

MORAN SENT TO JAIL.

Owen Moran is now in the county jail because he failed to furnish \$900 bail which was asked by Alderman Blair and Hoar yesterday afternoon. Moran was taken from his cell in the Jackson street station house at 2 o'clock. First before Alderman Blair, he was charged with resisting and assaulting a police officer. Policeman Marker was the prosecutor. When Marker attempted to arrest Moran Wednesday night the latter showed fight and the club had to be used. On a charge of resisting he was held under \$300 bail. The other charge was for embezzlement, M. Aekins appearing as prosecutor. Another \$300 bail was required.

OFFICERS CHOSEN.

The West Side Republican league elected officers last evening as follows: Thomas P. Daniels, president; Chas. E. Lanning, vice president; W. H. Burn, recording secretary; Frank H. Reese, financial secretary; George Oberdorfer, marshal; W. Gaylord Thomas, George E. Saxo, trustees. Mr. Daniels, the new president, is the present deputy clerk of courts. He is an active young Republican and extremely



THOMAS P. DANIELS.

The New President of the West Side Republican League.

popular. His election last night was unanimous, the other candidates virtually withdrawing before the vote was polled. Retiring President W. S. Mears was chairman of the meeting. Mr. Mears in leaving the chief office carries with him the admiration of every member. The club has never since its organization experienced such a successful life as during Mr. Mears' regime.

NUBS OF NEWS.

The family of I. C. Parry have removed here from Howard, South Dakota, and have taken up a permanent residence at 919 West Elm street. Llewellyn and Arthur Parry, two young men, have already made many friends since their arrival.

Miss Emily Ingalls' class of the Scranton Street Sunday school, will conduct an entertainment on the evening of January 15.

The forty-first annual ball of the Franklin Engine company will be held on Thursday, January 14.

The funeral of Elizabeth, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Gibney, of North Everett avenue, took place yesterday afternoon. Interment was made at Hyde Park Catholic cemetery.

The services in connection with the week of prayer at the Hampton Street M. E. church are proving very interesting and helpful. The house is being well filled each evening by interested and appreciative worshippers. Friday evening will be known as Edworth League night, and a very profitable service may be expected. There will be no service held on Saturday as the pastor has need of one night for rest being alone in the work.

The West Side Republican League will meet this evening.

Grand President Reese Morgan paid an official visit to Robert Morris lodge last night and delivered an address to the members.

William Daly has removed his barber shop from Edwards' court to a stand near the corner of Jackson and Chestnut streets.

Choice cut flowers and flower designs at Palmer & McDonalds, 54 Spruce.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Mrs. Randolph Jones, of Jackson street, gave a dinner Tuesday in honor of Rev. S. F. Mathews and wife.

Mrs. Laura T. Cook, of Swatland street, has returned from a visit at Mauch Chunk.

Miss Grace Evans is visiting at Pittston.

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GREEN RIDGE.

The ladies of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union are requested to meet at their room, on Penn avenue, today at 12:30 o'clock to attend the funeral of Mrs. J. B. Fordam. Mrs. Fordam was a member of the Green Ridge Union, and although she was not able to attend her funeral she was always ready to encourage the work, by giving a generous and helping hand.

Suburban News In General

SOUTH SIDE NEWS.

The Christmas festival was celebrated by St. Peter's and St. Joseph's societies Wednesday evening in St. Mary's hall.

Isadore Goodwin, of Maple street, is in Chicago.

There will be a special meeting of Century Hose company tonight.

A masquerade ball will be held in Schimpff's hall February 23 by the Primitive Social club.

Miss Katie Langan, of Wilkes-Barre, is visiting on this side.

Philip Schuler and Miss Kate Neuls will be married the latter part of the month.

Under the auspices of Division 14, the quarterly convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Board of Erin, will be held Sunday afternoon in Baltimore's hall.

Eleventh Ward Republicans will caucus tonight in Germania hall.

The approaching marriage is announced of Peter Freas and Miss Emma Rorick, of Alder street.

Daniel O'Connell council, Young Men's Institute, of Minooka will hold its annual banquet January 25, in St. Joseph's hall.

Miss Kate McLoughlin, of Pittston, has returned home after a visit with Miss Maggie Coyne, of Cedar avenue.

The fair of St. Joseph's Total Abstinence and Temperance society will be reopened later in the month.

Anthony Dougherty, of 2403 Birney avenue, died at 2 o'clock yesterday after a long illness. About five years ago he was injured in Connell's mine and since that time has been in very robust health. He is survived by a wife and four children. He was 65 years of age. The funeral will take place Saturday morning and interment will be made in Dunmore Catholic cemetery.

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PROVIDENCE.

The largest crowd of the season witnessed the game of basketball last evening in Baltimore. Between the champion Nanticoke and North End teams, which resulted in a victory for Nanticoke, by a score of 3 to 1. After the game Master LeRoy Davenport gave a very clever exhibition in fancy and trick bicycle riding.

Mrs. Kivolin, of Legett's street, is visiting friends at Binghamton.

Valentine Birtley, of North Main avenue, is seriously ill.

Dr. Ross Lloyd, who has been visiting friends in this section, has returned to his home in Baltimore.

The members of the Band of Hope of the Welsh Congregational church are requested to meet for rehearsal this afternoon at one o'clock, before attending the funeral of Miss Ellen Powell, which will be held a few days ago of sudden demise.

Thomas Flood, late of Mohawk street, was buried yesterday afternoon in Hyde Park Catholic cemetery.

Nelson Gillespie, who has been spending the holidays with his sister on Oak street, has returned to Princeton college where he is a student.

Fred Lee, of Parker street, is rapidly recovering from his recent serious illness.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Devine, of West Market street, a son.

The Christian Endeavor society of the North Main avenue church, will hold an autograph social in the lecture room of the church tonight. The social will be preceded by a short lecture by Philby Duval. Admission to the social and lecture will be free. All are welcome. A special invitation is extended to the Christian Endeavors of other churches.

DUNMORE.

S. C. Kerr, of Scranton, will deliver his popular lecture entitled "A Trip Through Ireland," in St. Mark's Parish House Thursday evening, January 14.

The funeral of John Gibhart took place yesterday morning from his parents home on Walnut street. A solemn high mass was celebrated in St. Mary's church by Rev. M. B. Donlan. After the celebration Father Donlan delivered a forcible address eulogistic of the life of the deceased. He chose for his text the words: "Blessed are they who die in the Lord." The pall bearers were James Flannelly, James Sweeney, Thomas O'Hara, Thomas McDonnell, Edward O'Hara and Stephen Healey. Timothy Birtley carried a beautiful cross and anchor with "Y. M. I. No. 219 Brother," inscribed on it. The Young Men's Institute Literary and Benevolent society attended in a body. Interment was made in the Dunmore cemetery.

Barber and Stevens have purchased a horse for their delivery wagon.

Harry Smith, of Tripp avenue, has returned from a visit with relatives in Union, N. Y.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mullen, of Drinker street, a son.

Thieves broke into the store of J. J. Reilly, of Chestnut street, Tuesday evening and stole goods to the amount of \$100. The work is supposed to have been done by a number of tramps who have made their home in a hut near No. 68.

The Ladies Aid society of the Presbyterian church, Dunmore, held its business meeting yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Alexander Brydson. It was a great success in every way. The dues amounting to over \$36. Refreshments were served, and all enjoyed much the kind hospitality shown by Mrs. Brydson and her family. The pleasant meeting will long be remembered.

The regular weekly meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held in the Sabbath school room of the Dunmore M. E. church at 2:30 on Friday afternoon. This society was organized December 7 and has a membership of twenty-five. It is the earnest wish of all that they may be able to do something to help along the great cause of temperance. We cordially invite all who are interested in this work to meet with us.

MINOOKA.

Miss Annie McDonough has entered the Saint Rose of Lima convent at Carbondale as a novitiate.

A child of John Philbin, of Main street, is dangerously ill.

MAYOR BAILEY'S ANNUAL MESSAGE

Was Read at Last Night's Meeting of Select Council.

NOT AN EXHAUSTIVE DOCUMENT

But It Contains Much General Information and Suggestions and Covers All Municipal Departments—The Important Message Will Be Submitted in April.

Mayor Bailey's annual message was read before select council last night. It appears in full below. The document is not an exhaustive one as the mayor explains, but it covers all the city departments, and is a fund of general information on municipal business. The mayor takes frequent occasions to suggest changes and improvements.



MAYOR JAMES G. BAILEY.

Select Council Listened Last Night to the Reading of His Annual Message.

Following is the message in detail:

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 7, 1897. To the Select and Common Councils of the City of Scranton, Gentlemen:—A clause of Section 2, Article 7, of the Act providing for the incorporation and government of cities of the third class, reads as follows: "He (the mayor) shall communicate to council at their first stated meeting in January of each year, and from time to time as he may deem expedient, a statement of the condition of the city in respect to its government, finances and improvements, together with suggestions and recommendations of all such measures as he may deem expedient to the interests and welfare thereof." It is in compliance with this statute that I now present this message for your consideration. I am conscious my remarks with the observation that a message coming at this time must be incomplete because of the impossibility of collecting data upon which to base a thorough report. The fiscal year is but a little more than half completed and the close of the calendar year is so recent that anything more than a hasty recapitulation is impossible. The report which I therefore necessarily brief and will be followed by another at the close of the current fiscal year.

CONCERNING THE CITY HALL.

It is important that repairs and improvements should be made in City Hall. The building is in a very poor condition. Tiles or some suitable substitutes should be placed thereon. The walls throughout the building are discolored. The Christian Endeavor society of many visitors, particularly officials from other cities are in the City Hall daily and it is also a fact that the defects to which I allude are seen and noted by them.

THE CITY'S STREETS.

I have received the following report from City Engineer Joseph P. Phillips, dated Scranton, Pa., Dec. 22, 1896. Hon. J. G. Bailey, Mayor. Dear Sir:—The following is a statement of the different improvements and cost thereof constructed and the portion of this department from Jan. 1st, 1896, to Jan. 1, 1897:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Items include Grading, Retaining walls, Sewers, Pavement, Stone block, Pavement, Bridge approaches, etc.

THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The police department of the city of Scranton is working under many and great difficulties, but it is nevertheless doing excellent work. It is unjust to require from so small a force as that of ours a perfect policing of this great city. It is a matter of fact that only about thirty patrolmen in all are available for night patrol service and that we have no detectives and no reserve force. That the police and morals of the city should under these circumstances be so well preserved is as much cause for wonder as for congratulation. I earnestly urge upon you the importance and necessity of increasing the police force to a number which will be at once creditable to the city and an adequate protection to our citizens.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The fire department under Chief Hickley's capable direction is harmonious and doing good work. The firemen of this city, both paid men and volunteers, are certainly entitled to the appreciative consideration of every citizen of Scranton. Many fires which might have resulted disastrously have, after gallant efforts, been brought under control. The said section of the Scranton fire department is composed of twenty-five men, viz: one chemical engineer, two hose men and twenty-two permanent men distributed among the several companies. The volunteer section consists of six assistant firemen, three firemen, and four assistants of one chemical engine, one hook and ladder truck, five steamers, three in good and two in bad condition, eight hose carriages, four in good, three in poor condition and one totally unfit for service, six hose wagons, all in first-class condition, 1,450 feet of good cotton hose, 3,200 feet of good rubber hose, a number of 2 1/2 and 3 1/2 feet of chemical hose, half of which

AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 8-9.

Thomas H. Davis and Wm. T. Keogh's Spectacular and Dramatic Triumph. ON THE MISSISSIPPI, A Realistic, Romantic and Panoramic Picture of the Sunny South, never before presented on the mimic stage—True to life. A Big and Bewildering Production.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC, Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 11-12. Darkest America

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A RAILROAD TICKET.

Arthur Moulton, Gus Pixley, Charles A. Burko, Aggie Vary, Edith New-ton, Margot Hobart. PRICES—25, 35, 50 and 75c. Sale of Seats Opens Sat. Jan. 9, at 9 a. m.

DAVIS' THEATER. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Jan. 7, 8, and 9.

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