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UNION LABEL BEFORE BREAKFAST.

Changes in the Nickelodeon Are About Completed.

WILL OPEN ON MONDAY.

Is Pleasing Large Audiences at That Play House.

TOWN TOPICS AT ACADEMY.

MANY VISITORS WILL COME.

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A Store Full of Men Pleasers.

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Elmira, Syracuse and other York state points and from cities in the New England states. The installation ceremonies will take place in St. Thomas college hall, commencing at 2 o'clock. They will be preceded by a reception in the hall, at which a collation will be served. At the conclusion of the ceremonies a banquet will be enjoyed at the Jermyn.

TO BE SENTENCED TODAY. Abbate Will Hear How Long He is to Stay in Philadelphia.

Sentence will be imposed today on Saverio Abbate, who was adjudged guilty of murder in the second degree by Judge Edwards, on Tuesday last. There is much speculation as to what the length of his term will be. Twenty years is the maximum that can be imposed.

Van Horn will not be sentenced until next Saturday, if then. The rule for a new trial, granted Thursday, will be argued next Friday morning. If no new trial is granted, sentence will be passed upon him the next day.

Others who will be sentenced in court today are Oscar Aronson, assault and battery; Dominick Yankowski, assault and battery; Harry Courtright, larceny; Charles Jacobs, assault and battery; William Tyson, criminal assault; John S. Bortree, assault and battery.

SECURED HIS CERTIFICATE. M. J. Kelly, County Treasurer-Elect, Preparing to Take Office.

County Treasurer-elect M. J. Kelly yesterday received his certificate of election from Prothonotary Pryor and the certificate which he must receive from the county commissioner is being prepared for him.

That Kelly will be any opposition to his taking his office when his term begins—Jan. 1—is nothing more than idle rumor. There is no movement to put any barrier in his way, and even if there was it would cause no worry, as there is no question as to his right to assume his duties when the term for which he was elected begins.

LOAN OF \$120,000. Secured to Pay the Board of Trade Building Bonds.

On Jan. 1 the Board of Trade Real Estate company will redeem its bonds to the extent of \$120,000 and make 1 per cent in the operation.

The bonds were to have been redeemable on or after Jan. 1. They bore interest at 6 per cent. To redeem them the company has arranged, through its attorneys, Warren & Knapp, for a loan of \$120,000 from the Equitable Life Assurance society at 5 per cent. The Board of Trade building is the security.

MRS. DECKER IS DEAD. Badly Burned Wednesday Evening in Her "Best" Avenue Home.

Mrs. Elizabeth Decker, of Webster avenue, who was badly burned Wednesday evening while lighting a lamp, died during Thursday night.

The unfortunate woman suffered intense agony. At no time following the accident was there any hope for her recovery.

TRAUGOTT'S STORES CLOSED. One Here and Another in Carbonate Levied Upon by the Sheriff.

Julius Traugott's millinery stores in this city and Carbonate were yesterday closed by the sheriff.

The executions were as follows: Simon Abete, \$3,693; Worman & Co., \$5,121.12; Scranton Savings bank, \$1,500.

Tonight's Concert. Bauer's Band will render the following programme at Jonas Long's Mammoth department store this evening:

1. March, "The Vindicator"; 2. Overture, "Tusitipile"; 3. Keler Bell; 2. Dance, "The Rose of Castella"; 3. Cornet solo, "Air Vari"; 4. Rollinson Air; 5. Overture, "Jolly Night"; 6. Selection, "El Capitán"; 7. Sousa; 8. Patrol, "Blue and Grey"; 9. Dolby; 10. Overture, "Slavish Melodies"; 11. Tull; 12. Medley, "A Gay Time"; 13. Beyer; 14. March, "Detroit Press"; 15. Chambers.

To Avoid Colds. In these days of changeable weather it is difficult to avoid colds unless the system is kept thoroughly purified. An essential feature in this respect is to keep the pores of the body open. There is nothing so efficacious in this line of treatment as the Turkish bath. At Purcell's bath house, on Lind street, Court House square, the best of service is always given. The establishment is in charge of experienced rubbers and massage. For a gratis cold try a Turkish bath and you will rejoice in the forenoon.

W. S. Huslander is a candidate for member of the Board of Control of the Sixth ward. He is eminently qualified for the position. His education, training and experience give him the right to earnestly solicit the votes of the Republicans at the caucus next Thursday evening at the city hall.

Klondike. A handsome map of Alaska and all details as to routes, supplies, cost of same, transportation charges, etc., etc., furnished free, by writing F. J. Moore, General Agent, Nickel Plate Road, 23 Exchange street, Buffalo, N. Y.

Kemp's photographs are so unlike photographs that they make them and make Christmas gifts, 103 Wyoming avenue.

General John H. Gordon, the famous ex-Confederate soldier and a popular ex-orator of the United States, will deliver his remarkable lecture, "The Last Days of the Confederacy," in the Y. M. C. A. Standard Course, Monday evening, Dec. 13. Tickets now on sale at Y. M. C. A. office.

Next goes further for Xmas presents than a dozen cabinets, no better place than Griffin's to get them.

Lewis, Reilly & Davies' Busy Shoe Store will be open evening during December.

Evergreens for porches at Clark's, 201 Washington avenue.

A great many new styles in Photos for Xmas at Griffin's.

Complete report of the great six-day bicycle race in tomorrow's Scranton Sunday Free Press.

LONG'S BIG STORE WAS INSPECTED

Thousands Visit Scranton's New Mammoth Department Establishment.

WILKES-BARRE EMPLOYES ON HAND

The Firm Furnished Them a Special Train to and from Wilkes-Barre. Over 12,000 Persons Looked the Store Over and Marvelled at Its Completeness and Extent—Floor Space of Five Acres Contains \$300,000 Worth of Goods.

The opening of the new and mammoth department store of Jonas Long's Sons was accompanied with great demonstrations of interest for weeks, and last night the event occurred. At 7 o'clock the doors were opened and constant streams of people passed in and out of the Lackawanna and Wyoming avenue entrances for several hours. It was estimated that over 12,000 persons inspected the big establishment.

A special train of eight cars brought 315 clerks of the firm's Wilkes-Barre store to Scranton and there were in addition many visitors from the latter city. No goods were sold during the evening, although this morning the store will be opened for business.

A unique feature in connection with the opening and one immensely enjoyed by the seventy or more persons privileged to participate in it, was the inspection of the place by the newspaper men of all the towns from Carbonate to Wilkes-Barre and the excellently prepared wine dinner that was served for them in the store's restaurant.

The large party began its inspection on the fourth, or upper floor, about 5.30 o'clock. The six members of the firm combined the offices of guides and hosts.

When the basement was reached soon after 6 o'clock the tables were arranged in square banquet form and the discussion of the dinner began. The menu included blue points, celery, olives, quail, saratoga chips, chicken salad, confectionery, coffee and cigars.

Gifts from Employees. The company had not been long seated when a clerk appeared bearing an immense floral anchor, the firm's insignia, on a floral base. Roses largely composed the elaborate design. J. C. Hawthorne, superintendent of the Wilkes-Barre store, presented the piece to the firm on behalf of the Wilkes-Barre clerks, and Charles J. Long for the firm acknowledged the token.

After the meal had been finished there was a period of speech-making, during which C. Ben Johnson, Dr. F. C. Johnson, of the Wilkes-Barre Record; B. H. Pratt, of the Truth; R. M. Seranton, of the Republican; L. V. S. Richard, of the Tribune; J. T. Richard, an executor of the Handley estate, which owns the building, and Arthur L. C. Hedges, who planned the building, congratulated Scranton and the Longs on a venture of magnitude which would prove of mutual advantage. Toasts were drunk to the firm, the architect, the builder, Conrad Schroeder; "The gay old boy," John Benson, and the Handley executors. A flash-light photograph of the company ended the affair.

The doors were opened to the public about the time the dinner was ended and in a few moments hundreds of persons were on foot in the five floors and admiring the modern arrangements and extensive stock of goods. Bauer's hand was located on the second floor and played during the evening, the open airway from the lower floor to the upper floors a spread of the sound to every floor.

What goods the store contains and how they are displayed will be ascertained by Scrantonians through personal visits. But the Tribune cannot do more than present some facts about the firm and the building and its arrangements. The six Long brothers, or Jonas Long's sons, as they are better known, are, in the order of seniority: Charles J., Bernard, Louis, Arthur, Edward and Harry. The father was probably the most successful and one of the most highly respected retail merchants in the Lackawanna, Wyoming and Lehigh valleys and his foresight, hard work and energy are the qualifications which any successful man must possess, have been inherited by his sons. Theirs has for years been the largest department store in Wilkes-Barre. The opportunity was offered to acquire a long-term lease on a building to be erected by the Handley executors in a larger and growing city and they did not hesitate to make the venture.

Big Floor Space. An idea of the magnitude of the establishment may be gleaned from the fact that its floor space if spread over one surface would cover five acres, as much as would be occupied by 55 stores of the average size now located on Lackawanna avenue. It requires nearly 125 incandescent arc lights and 700 incandescent of 16-candle power to light the building. Five floors are \$290,000 worth of goods on sale. This big sum does not include show cases, shelving, appliances or store furniture and furnishings. The store's own electric and power plant is now being erected in the rear and will contain machinery for running the elevators and the pneumatic cash system and lighting the place.

It will require about 400 employees to conduct the business. This fact cannot be realized from an exterior view of the building or a visit to the street floor but after one has made an inspection from roof to basement and observed the army of salespeople, office employees, buyers, heads of departments and shipping and transfer employees, the number necessary to operate such a business will be appreciated. For its employees, the firm has no rules other than the most ordinary kind, preferring to employ only such people as can be left to their own honor and common sense. This liberality and wisdom is appreciated in the Wilkes-Barre store as attested by the esteem in which the six brothers are held by their employees in their native city. Newspaper men does not permit mention, even in a general way, of the goods on sale. Someone asked of Mr. Arthur Long last evening: "You don't sell locomotives or telephones do you?" "We haven't any in stock," was the reply, "but we can get them for you." This little scrap of conversation indicates the great variety of goods the store contains, groceries, smoked meats, furniture, wall paper, carpets, bedding, crockery, toilet articles, millinery goods, books, toys, shoes—and so on, ad lib. and in never-ending variety.

DEPARTMENT SYSTEM. Each department is a store in itself

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FOR A NATIONAL UNIVERSITY. Efforts Being Made to Carry Out George Washington's Idea.

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This report, No. 429, covers about one hundred and fifty pages and contains information that will be of the greatest interest to those who wish to go into the details of the plan. In order to further the work, a national university committee, composed of the leading men of the United States, has been appointed and local George Washington memorial committees are being formed.

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It is believed that from all over the country, small and large sums will come from contributors for the George Washington memorial certificates beautifully engraved and bearing a cut of George Washington, signed by chairman of central and state committees and their secretaries and treasurers, will be given to every contributor as a beautiful souvenir of their contributions. Each certificate will have a coupon attached, which will be detached and forwarded to Chief Justice Fuller, L. D., of the United States Supreme court, for filing in the new building when finished, making a permanent record of every given name, and all the sum given by each. The certificates will be ready for distribution at the December meetings.

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