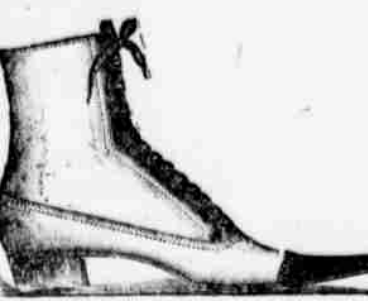


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CITY NOTES.

The board will meet this afternoon. The annual meeting of the Maitland Driving Park association will be held this morning.

On the evening of Feb. 28, the Local Miners' union will hold its annual ball in Music hall.

The Masaryk Nuloveveto Tarsasag Beneficial society, of Scranton, yesterday applied to court for a charter.

Rev. Robert Wilson will conduct the services at the American Memorial Tabernacle on Prescott street this evening.

The Wilkes-Barre Record can be had in Scranton at the news stands of M. Meinhardt, 39 Wyoming avenue; Mac, Lackawanna avenue.

Edward J. Brown, of Denver, Col., and Mary Gibbons, of Scranton; Patrick Timlin and Kate Clifford, of Scranton; Miss Van Or and Margaret Malone, of Pricoburg, were yesterday granted marriage licenses.

The funeral of Edward McQuirt will take place at 9 o'clock this morning from his home, 729 Monroe avenue. The remains will be taken to St. Paul's church, where a last mass of requiem will be celebrated. Interment will be made in Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

The Teachers' Mutual Benefit association will hold an important meeting at 10 o'clock on Saturday morning in the board of control rooms. The committee appointed to revise the constitution and by-laws will submit its report, to hear which every member of the association is urged to be present.

Patrolman Charles A. Perry was yesterday being congratulated over the arrival of a twelve and a half pound boy at home, 122 Parker street. The question of weight was particularly discussed among the policemen and to the conclusion that Perry holds the record in that respect in the police department.

Many favors have been extended the Young Men's Christian association since its loss by fire. One of the recent ones is the offer of the Scranton Bicycle club to give the association, the use of the former's hall free of charge for the next year.

The annual meeting of the association, which occurs Tuesday, Feb. 22, a humorous entertainment by J. Williams Muey.

MRS. EVERHART'S FUNERAL. Services conducted in St. Luke's Church by Rev. Rogers Israel.

The funeral services of Mrs. I. F. Everhart took place yesterday from St. Luke's Episcopal church which was filled with sorrowing friends. The dove gray casket was heaped high with many flowers. The bearers were Captain Samuel Hines, Theodore Wolf, C. E. Chittenden, J. H. Phelps, F. H. Jermy and W. M. Marple.

Rev. Rogers Israel conducted the beautiful and impressive service of the Episcopal church. A male quartette rendered with touching effect the hymns, "Come Unto Me" and "O Paradise." It is seldom that so much of a funeral emotion is evident at a large funeral service as on this occasion when the last respects were paid to one dearly loved and honored.

Board of Revision Meets. The board of revision and appeal yesterday heard Nineteenth ward property owners. The number of appeals was larger than usual. This is the day for Fourth ward appeals and tomorrow for Third ward.

FRESH EGGS 15c. THE SCRANTON CASH STORE.

BUSINESS OF NOTE IN SELECT COUNCIL

North End Paving Ordinance Introduced with a Petition.

FIREMEN'S PAY TO BE ADJUSTED

Ordinance Awaits Only the Mayor's Signature to Become a Law—Dunn Street Sprinkling Franchise Gets a Set-Back—Amendment Made to the Plumbing Inspector Measure, Extending the Period of Service. Route for the 19th District Sewer.

In select council last night the ordinance for paving North Main avenue and part of Providence road, involving an expenditure of nearly \$100,000, was introduced; the ordinance adjusting the pay of permanent firemen was passed finally; the ordinance giving grants a valuable franchise to the Dunn Street Sprinkling and Street Cleaning company got a serious set-back; a number of important concurrent measures were considered, and a big batch of ordinances passed their reading.

Mr. Manley, who has often been agreed speaker for chairman pro tem, was selected for that position last night in the absence of President Sanderson. As Mr. Manley has a penchant for guiding the deliberations of councils in a way calculated to expedite matters, the business last night occupied but a comparatively brief space of time.

The North End paving ordinance was introduced by Mr. Finn and along with it a petition from nearly every property owner along the proposed route which is on Providence road north from Court street and on North Main avenue, from Providence road to the city line. The petition and ordinance provides for a brick pavement excepting for 900 feet for which asphalt is stipulated.

ESTIMATED COST. The city engineer's estimate of the cost was about \$2,000 but the ordinance appropriated by the council "or as much thereof as may be necessary," the city being indemnified by assessments to be made against the front-owners. The ordinance was referred to committee.

Over a dozen permanent firemen were in the gallery anticipating action on the common council ordinance adjusting the pay of regular paid firemen. The measure provides that after April 1 regular paid firemen shall be paid at the rate of \$96 per year for the first year's service and \$70 per year thereafter. The measure passed third and final reading and now awaits only the mayor's signature to become operative.

At least a temporary black eye was given the Dunn Sprinkling and Street Cleaning company ordinance which has passed the lower branch and was called up for third and final reading. It gives the company the exclusive right to sprinkle the streets, permission to use city fire hydrants at its own expense and liability for damages and repairs of hydrants as well as their replacement where deemed necessary by the chief of the fire department.

TWO MEMBERS OBJECTED. Mr. Fellows moved that the ordinance be tabled until the next meeting and Mr. Chittenden offered an amendment that action be definitely postponed, giving as his reason that, aside from his opposition to giving away a valuable franchise, he was opposed to sprinkling asphalt pavements. He had contended at a previous meeting that water and dust combined to form a grinding powder which seriously wore the surface of asphalt and shortened its period of usefulness 10 per cent. At that meeting his amendment excluding asphalt from the ordinance met with defeat.

Mr. Chittenden's amendment last night to indefinitely postpone action on the ordinance was defeated by the following vote of 6 to 7:

Ayes—Ross, Thomas, Chittenden, Frank Andrews, Williams, McAndrews, Nays—Finn, Roche, Durr, Manley, Schroeder, Burns—7 votes.

Mr. Fellows' motion to postpone action until the next meeting was then adopted.

When the select council ordinance creating a board of plumbing inspectors was called up on second reading Mr. Chittenden offered an objection to one of its provisions limiting the period of service to one term of three years. He put his objection in the form of an amendment; making the term of service unlimited, explaining that the city should have no obstacle to keeping a good appointive official in office.

MR. MANLEY'S HUMOR. "Oh, that's all right, Charlie," exclaimed Chairman Manley, to the amusement of all the members; "they want to keep such fellows as you and me from plotting to be too long in office." The humor of the comment appears in the fact that Mr. Manley, after serving eleven years in the council, was on Tuesday defeated in the Twelfth ward re-election.

Mr. Roche presented the argument that inasmuch as representative plumbers had drafted the ordinance that it be considered according to their wishes. He did not think any member should advocate any change and thus possibly destroy some reform the designers of the measure had in mind.

The amendment proposed by Mr. Chittenden to extend the term of the office was adopted by the following vote of 8 to 5:

Ayes—Ross, Finn, Thomas, Williams, Durr, Chittenden, McAndrews, Fellows—8 votes. Nays—Kearney, Roche, Schroeder, Burns, Frable—5 votes.

The ordinance passed second reading as amended.

NINETEENTH DISTRICT SEWER. The ordinance providing for a sewer system in District No. 19 in the West side was introduced by Mr. Fellows. It affects a large territory as the following route will show:

From a point in the Lackawanna river, between Luzerne and Fellows streets, thence along a natural water course in a northerly direction a distance of about 766 lineal feet to Railroad avenue; also on Oxford street from Ninth avenue in a northerly direction about 800 lineal feet to South Main avenue; also on Luzerne street from Third avenue in a northerly direction about 690 lineal feet to Twelfth avenue; also on Fellows street from Meridian street in a northerly direction to Decker's court, to an alley, to Hyde Park avenue, a distance of about 640 lineal feet; also on Hampton street from Meridian street in a northerly direction about 4,000 lineal feet to Thirteenth avenue; also on Hand's place from Meridian street

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Whist Organization Branches the Plan and Special Committees from the Clubs Agreed Upon the Conditions Monday Afternoon—Last Night the Bicycle Club Ratified the Arrangement and the Whist Club Will Soon Do the Same Thing.

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The whist club, composed of thirty-two members, is to wholly lose its identity, the members becoming fully entitled to all the bicycle club privileges. The regular initiation fee will not be demanded, in view of the transfer of the whist club's furniture and equipment, but the whist club members will continue to pay the bicycle club's stipulated dues of \$12 per year. Ten of the thirty-two whist club members previously belonged to the bicycle club.

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The remainder of his estate he divided among his three children.

Patrick H. Gallagher and Bernard J. Cummings, brother and brother-in-law, respectively, of the decedent, were named as executors, and Daniel G. Jones, James H. Lally and George Mountford were the subscribing witnesses. Attorney James J. O'Malley drew up the instrument.

The will is contested by Michael Corcoran, guardian of James, Mary and Margaret Gallagher, the minor children of the decedent, and by Mrs. Minnie Gallagher, the widow. They claim that the bequests to the decedent's brother and sister were brought about through the use of undue influence and that the decedent, because of his drinking habits, was not in a testamentary capacity when he signed the will. They want the will set aside and the property distributed according to the statutory provisions in cases where there is no will.

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HAZLETON MINE REPORT.

Has Been Forwarded to Harrisburg by Inspector Davies.

Mine Inspector Davies, of the Hazleton district, has submitted his annual report to the bureau of mines and mining. The papers show that 5,487,550 tons of coal were mined. The total shipments were 4,758,842 tons. To mine the coal it required 97,842 kegs of black powder and 981,572 pounds of dynamite. There were 33 fatal and 114 non-fatal accidents. The total number of employees is 18,119; inside, 8,966; outside, 8,254.

A Baggage Check.

The announcement that James T. Kelly, the exceedingly popular little comedian will be at the Academy of Music the first half of next week in Charles E. Blaney's most successful laugh-creator, "A Baggage Check," is a sufficient guarantee that a bright, lively entertainment will be presented. Mr. Kelly's reputation as a fun-maker is well established in this city, his good work in the past is well remembered, and he promises that his most ardent admirers will be surprised and delighted with the remarkably clever comedy which he has summoned to his aid in the revival of "A Baggage Check." Among the supporting company are such well known entertainers as Haymond Findley, William Mitchell, Ed Shepley, Harry McFadden, E. K. Townsend, Warner Crosby, Trilix Wade, Lottie Park, Eva Kelly, Annie Sanford, Estelle Ward, Margaret Ashton and Carrie and Alta Braunbeck.

FIRE ON NEW STREET.

House Owned by John W. McLenn Badly Damaged.

A double frame building on New street, owned by John W. McLenn, was badly damaged by a fire which was discovered at noon yesterday. The house was occupied by Martin Loftus and Martin Kelly and their families. Nearly all the furniture of the Loftus family was destroyed. One of the Loftus children was asleep in bed when the fire broke out and had a narrow escape from being incinerated.

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