

EVENTS OF DAY IN WEST SCRANTON

DR. WILLIAMS REFUSES CALL OF WELSH BAPTIST CHURCH.

His Letter Was Read to the Congregation Last Evening by Benjamin Hughes, Chairman of the Official Board—Effort Being Made to Consolidate the Two Republican Clubs in This Part of the City—Farewell to Miss Harriet Brooks at Salvation Army Barracks.

That Rev. J. W. Williams, D. D., of Swansea, Wales, will never again be pastor of the First Welsh Baptist church is now a settled fact. His positive expression in the form of a letter of non-acceptance was read to the congregation last evening by Benjamin Hughes, chairman of the official board. It will be remembered that a call was tendered him over a month ago, shortly after his return home from a business trip here. During his presence in this city he was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Evan J. Davies, of South Main avenue, and occupied the pulpit of his former church the four Sundays in August.

At that time the old enthusiasm of the congregation which had grown somewhat cold during the six years or more, intervening between departure and return of the reverend gentleman, revived. The revival of that dormant feeling brought out a desire to recall Dr. Williams to the church. Meetings were held and a majority vote for a call, though not a unanimous one, was sent him.

In his answer of non-acceptance Dr. Williams states in substance that he felt that his present congregation has the greatest claim upon him, inasmuch as the work here was but well begun and he did not care to leave it only half completed. His work here with this church was thoroughly complete when he left it. That all the church now needed was a good pastor to sustain the church work. He tendered his deep appreciation of their desire to have him return and sent Christian greetings. He also stated that he had been ill ever since reaching Swansea on his return and that an operation had become necessary.

ABOUT THE CLUBS.

Despite an announcement to that effect in a contemporary, the idea of union of the two republican clubs, viz., the West Side Republican league and the West Side Central republican club, has not been either settled or abandoned.

The idea of such a union was broached some time ago and for obvious reasons. Two clubs of the same political faith in one section were very apt to clash and thus affect the party's position. Also membership and finances were matters of importance. The very best workers for the party are to be found either in one or the other of the two clubs, but no office holder or prominent politician on this side cared to ally himself to one or the other for fear of exciting comment.

These facts, becoming more and more evident as time went by suggested the union. The central club being the older made overtures and the league met

them half way. Two committees of three members each were appointed to arrange matters. W. E. Thayer, C. E. Laning and Attorney W. Gaylord Thomas represented the central club, and Attorneys C. E. Oliver and C. E. Daniels and John F. Jones acted for the league. A meeting was held and each committee reported back to their respective clubs.

As matters now stand each club hardly cares to accept all the conditions advanced by each to the other as a means of union. However, compromises will be made and the consolidation may be effected. Several members of each club have agreed in conversation that both clubs will have to disband and a brand new one be organized.

FUNERAL OF MRS. DALE.

A large concourse of friends and relatives attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Eugene Dale, which was held Saturday afternoon from the residence, 618 South Kayser avenue. A great quantity of beautiful floral offerings were in evidence. The services were in charge of Rev. J. B. Sweet, pastor of the Simpson Methodist church, of which the deceased was so active a member during life.

Rev. Sweet preached a short sermon. His words were suggested by Scriptural significance and were full of consolation to bereft relatives, family and friends. A quartette sang the hymn selections. At the conclusion of the services the remains were borne to Forest Hill cemetery, where interment was made. The pall-bearers were: Edward Hall, Evan S. Jones, H. C. Wallace, Dr. E. Y. Harrison, George L. Peck, esq., and William G. Saxe.

WILL ENTER TRAINING SCHOOL.

Miss Harriet Brooks, of North Hyde Park avenue, an active and much beloved member of the local Salvation Army corps, was tendered a farewell reception by the corps at the barracks on Price street last evening. Miss Brooks, who has labored long and earnestly with the corps as a private for over two years, will leave for New York city Wednesday morning next to enter the school for young ladies at 120 West Fourteenth street. This school is a training place to fit candidates for the commissioned appointments for work among the corps.

Miss Brooks will be there about three months and will start out on her chosen work. She is eminently fitted and is very anxious to get into the broader spheres of action in her chosen field. The meeting last evening was well attended and enthusiastic. Captains Young and Tweedy were in charge.

SURPRISED MR. EDWARDS.

A large party of the friends and fellow employees of the Scranton Street Railway tendered Thomas Edwards, of 529 North Bromley avenue, a pleasant surprise Friday evening. The occasion was the fifty-first anniversary of his birthday and the unexpected action of his friends made it a most enjoyable one. Mr. Edwards has run on the Green Ridge People's line for many years, and is one of the company's most trusted employees. Mrs. Edwards was assisted in receiving by Mrs. David Weed, Mrs. William Decker and Mrs. John Edwards.

Solos were sung by Mrs. W. Evans and Miss Victoria Greener. John Evans played a violin solo and several piano selections were played by different members of the party. In the half of the assembled guests Daniel Herflinger, assistant superintendent of

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His Subject Was the Catholicity of the Position of the Disciples of Christ—Miss Mildred Myers, of Throop Street, Entertained Friends Saturday Afternoon at Her Home. William Stine Tendered a Surprise Party at His Home on Throop Street—Personal Notes.

Evangelist Cobb delivered an excellent sermon on "The Catholicity of the Position of the Disciples of Christ" in the New Assembly hall, on Drinker street, last evening. The text was taken from Matt. xxviii, 20: "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." In part, he spoke as follows:

"It is the sacred duty of Christ's followers to heed this Divine command. Out of this conviction sprang the movement which now includes over a million communicants in the United States with missions in Japan, India, China and Africa. This movement is based upon Christ's word as the only and all sufficient rule of faith and practice. All Christians agree with the first part of this sentence, but many add to this inspired rule, the decision of pope, or council, the tradition of the fathers, or the standard, or confessions of faith.

"Second—In common with all evangelical Christians, we believe that Jesus Christ is the 'only begotten Son of God.' But we do not require any other confession of faith, as a prerequisite to baptism, than that which the apostle Peter made (Matt. xvi, 18): 'Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.' Here we differ from other Christians only as they differ from God's word, which knows no other creed.

"Third—We believe in the personality of the Holy Spirit, but differ from many in declining to define that which Holy Scripture has left undefined. We prefer to express our views on this profound theme 'Not in words which man's wisdom teaches, but which the Spirit teaches' (1 Cor. ii, 13).

"Fourth—We believe with all Christians in the Holy Spirit's influence in conversion. But we differ from those who hold that the Spirit converts without the instrumentality of the word. 'The words that I speak unto you, they are Spirit, and they are life' (John vi, 63).

"Fifth—In common with all Christians we believe that the Spirit of God dwells in every Christian's heart, but we differ from those who teach that the Spirit enters the sinner by heart conversion, and for the purpose of turning him to the Lord. Such a view is, in our judgment, opposed to such Scriptures as John xiv, 17; John i, 12; Gal. iv, 6; Acts ii, 38.

"Sixth—In common with all Christians we hold, as our Lord taught (Mark xvi, 16), 'He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved.' Hence that a penitent believer is a proper subject for Christian baptism. We differ from those who affirm that infants are Scriptural subjects for baptism, as these little ones have never sinned, they need baptism no more than they need faith, or repentance. If they die in infancy they are saved by the atoning blood of Christ.

"Seventh—In common with the whole Christian world, we teach that the immersion of a penitent believer into the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, is Christian baptism; but differ from those who hold that any other mode of baptism is Christian baptism.

"Eighth—We believe in two Christian ordinances—baptism and the Lord's supper. The communion we observe each first day of the week (Acts xx, 7), and believe that the Lord's table should be free to all his followers.

"Ninth—In common with all churches we hold that the name 'Christian' is a proper and Scriptural designation, both for the individual believer and for the churches, but we differ from many in neglecting all human and non-Scriptural names, believing that they perpetuate schisms in His church.

"Tenth—We hold to be the sacred duty of every Christian to labor for Christian union, that the world may believe that God has sent Christ into the world (John xvii, 23). Hence, we invite all who love our common Redeemer, to study carefully this truly Catholic position."

AFTERNOON TEA.

Miss Mildred Myers, of Throop street, was entertained by a large number of her young friends, who gathered at her home to do her honor upon reaching her tenth birthday. The afternoon was passed in playing games, duets, speaking and singing until 8 o'clock, when refreshments were served by Miss J. C. Myers, after which the young folks departed for their homes, after voting Miss Mildred an excellent entertainer.

Following were those present: Mrs. A. B. Myers, of Carbondale; Mrs. W. H. Bell, of Wilmers; Mrs. D. Becker, of Blanche; Misses Katie Richards, Stella Madison, Irene Burns, G. Pratt, E. Weaver, of Wilkes-Barre; V. Black, Anna Madison, Maggie Regan, Jennie Brady, Nettie Pinnell, Sadie Foster and M. Lewis, James Joyce, Howard Jackson, Guy Madison, Ralph Jackson, Howard Brady, Edward Swingle, Howard Conrad, George Pratt and Wesley Webber.

ENJOYABLE PARTY.

William Stine, of Throop street, was tendered a surprise party by a number of his friends at his home Saturday evening. The features of the evening were dancing, cake walk and dancing contest. The cake walk was won by Miss Lillie Tudge and Mr. Norman Bradley and the dancing contest by Miss Grace Harvey and William Austin. At a seasonable hour all departed for home, after wishing Mr. Stine many pleasant returns of the day.

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OBITUARY.

Miss Mary Donnelly, of Front street, died suddenly, evening of heart trouble after but four hours of sickness. She was 17 years of age and to all appearances possessed vigorous health. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon with a high mass at St. Peter's cathedral. Interment will be made in the Cathedral cemetery.

John R. Jones, of Lincoln street, Dickson, died at 9 o'clock yesterday morning after a week's sickness of heart trouble. He was 54 years of age and had for several years lived in Hyde Park. He is survived by a grown-up family. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2.30. Interment will be made in Washington street cemetery.

Thomas Monroe, the 17-year-old boy who was injured one day last week in Johnson's mine, died at a hospital in the central city at 11.30 yesterday forenoon. The remains were brought to the home of his parents, Thomas and Ellen Monroe, of 85 Green Ridge street, by Undertaker D. B. Jones. Notice of the funeral will appear later.

The many friends of Mrs. D. E. Taylor who have been deeply moved to hear of the sudden death of her sister, Mrs. Agnes Evans, widow of the late W. D. Evans, of West Pittston.

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SHORT PARAGRAPHS.

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Private William Delaney, of Company D, Thirtieth regiment, Pennsylvania volunteers, who has been spending a seven days' furlough with his parents on Throop street, returned to Camp Meade Saturday afternoon.

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Mrs. William Littell, of Newark, N. J., and Mrs. M. Foley, of Mt. Cobb, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Ellis, of Church street.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Zurelich, of Cherry street, are rejoicing over the arrival of a young son.

John C. Osborne, of Jermyn, spent yesterday with Mr. Richard Angwin, of South Blakely street.

William Purcell, the popular Drinker street barber, was a caller on his brother in Plymouth, Saturday.

William Cochran, of Taylor, spent Sunday with Mr. Robert Young, of Dudley street.

Miss Bezie Benjamin, of South Blakely street, is the guest of her sister, Miss Kate Benjamin, of Pittston.

Michael O'Royde, of Chestnut street, has returned from a short visit with friends in Avoca.

Mrs. Charles Yuban, of Sterling, is the guest of relatives in this vicinity.

The members of the Independent Hose company are requested to meet in their rooms at 2 o'clock sharp Monday in full uniform to form in line to their departure for Moosic, where they will enter the drilling contest.

The Bremen's meeting in that place, Miss Mattie Wilcox, of Madrasville, spent Sunday as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Drink, of Apple street.

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