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February Magazines.

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PERSONAL

Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Roberts have returned from a visit to New York city.

Mrs. D. W. Wagner is entertaining her sister, Mrs. M. Lou Simmons, of Hazleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Beck spent Sunday with Mr. Beck's father, W. K. Beck, at Moscow.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Churchill, of Great Bend, were in the city yesterday as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Stevens, of Olive street.

Charles A. Whittemore, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, is spending his mid-year vacation at his home on Jefferson avenue.

Colonel Arthur Long, of Jonas Long's home, is in attendance at the National Furniture exposition in New York, looking after the interests of the big store and its furniture stock.

CAUSE UNKNOWN TO JURY.

Verdict in the Case of the Late George Herron.

A jury empanelled by Coroner J. J. Roberts met Saturday night in the arbitration room to inquire into the cause of the death of George Herron, of Carbon street, whose decomposed body was found in the Roaring Brook on Saturday, Jan. 20. The following verdict was returned:

"We find that George Herron, 37, came to his death in a manner unknown to the jury; no evidence whatsoever having been submitted to show cause or manner of death."

The jury was made up of Emil Bonn, T. Owen Charles, M. Raffert, Daniel Muldoon, J. J. Barrett and George Jones.

Herron left his home on the Sunday before Christmas and was not afterwards seen. There was no evidence as to the manner in which he got in the Roaring Brook.

FUNERAL OF MISS HARVEY.

Held Yesterday Afternoon and Largely Attended.

The funeral of the late Miss Cora M. Harvey, of 1801 Sanderson avenue, was held yesterday afternoon from the Asbury Methodist Episcopal church. The large edifice was crowded with the friends of the deceased, many of whom were unable to obtain seats.

The funeral services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. C. Simpson, assisted by Rev. S. G. Bending and Rev. Joseph Madison. All three of the clergymen made brief addresses, and a quartette from the North Main avenue Baptist church rendered two selections. Interment was made in the Forest Hill cemetery.

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CONVENTION OF THE B'NAI B'RITH

OPENING SESSION HELD YESTERDAY MORNING.

President Hoffman Delivered His Address in Which He Referred to the Work Being Done at the Manual Training School—Report Concerning That School Submitted by Superintendent Hetsel—Open Meeting in the Afternoon in the Linden Street Temple.

The biennial convention of District Grand Lodge, No. 3, Independent Order B'Nai B'Rith was formally opened yesterday morning in this city, when representatives from the subordinate lodges of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware came together at the local headquarters in Guernsey hall.

No particular business was transacted as that part of the programme will be conducted today. The reports of various committees were read and President Charles Hoffman delivered his annual message. It was a magnificent exposition of the purposes of the order, the works accomplished by it and the duties of its members.

In the afternoon an open session was held at the Linden street synagogue, at which the oration of the day was delivered by Rev. M. M. Ebleher, of Philadelphia, who spoke on "A Century of Jewish Progress."

This lodge, the greatest beneficial and charitable Jewish organization known, and its power extends all over this country and Europe.

One great work accomplished by it is the maintenance at Philadelphia of the B'Nai B'Rith Manual Training school at Touro hall, Philadelphia, where a large number of poor children are educated in mechanical drawing, woodworking and other branches.

A report of the work of the school was read yesterday morning by Superintendent Hetsel.

President Hoffman, who lives at Philadelphia, where he is a prominent lawyer and the editor of the Jewish Exponent, naturally comes close in contact with the work of the institution, and in his message yesterday, among other things, said:

MANUAL TRAINING SCHOOL.

Foremost among all our philanthropic work is the Manual Training school, that bears our name, that is the work of our own hands, that is identified with our progress, that marks the transition from the old to the new, that is the symbol of honor to us both at home and abroad, and whose benefits are spread broadcast throughout our population.

For five years its constant, steady, silent work has been performed, like the quiet dropping of rain from the grass, like the dew upon the herbs, without parade and without concealment, but with persistent diligence and systematic discipline. It has spread its beneficent light among the upward of three hundred children who have come within the radius of its influence. You will remember, brethren, the earnest, arduous labor under the administration and leadership of my predecessor in office, Past Grand President Jacob Singer, this work was established, and whose ground was thoroughly canvassed, and not without opposition (which has been steadily maintained and as regularly and emphatically overwhelmed) upon which our institution was decided upon. Then the lodges were visited and joined in the project. Then the institution was established and has been well conducted from February, 1895, to this day. It has received the careful attention of able teachers, it has been carefully and faithfully watched over and directed by the wise judgment of the chairman of the governing committee of the school, Brother Maurice Fels. It has received the commendation of expert educators and been practically endorsed by the heads of the Jewish community. Its good work is attested by the constant presence of candidates for admission. This is induced by no adventitious considerations.

We do not relieve parents from the duty of supporting their children. We do not take them away from their public schools, but on the contrary we assist and strengthen the latter in their hold upon our pupils. For the general education that the state supplies free to all its inhabitants, we offer no substitute. The economy of our arrangement is seen thereby that we concentrate all our efforts upon those special needs that our peculiar conditions demand, utilizing all existing agencies and supplementing their efficiency. We are actively engaged in the very center of our congested population, in opening up new channels of industry, in teaching down to the humblest and poorest and raising them from the enforced bondage of their condition and setting them free to work out their own salvation in the great mechanical industries of our great land. We have no proletarian bed for all our pupils. Ours is the task to develop their faculties and to discover that occupation for which Providence has best fitted them under existing circumstances. Our boys love the school; it is to them no drudgery; no enforced idleness but a labor in which they delight.

INSTANCES CITED.

He then cited several instances of the boys going to steady and lucrative positions from the training school and of the general advantages and benefits accruing to it.

This ended the morning session and the meeting then adjourned to meet again this morning at 9 o'clock and this afternoon at 2 o'clock to conduct the routine business, consisting of reports of committees, election of officers, etc.

The following are the representatives present from the various out-of-town lodges:

Philadelphia—Max Thalheimer, M. Schlesinger, Herman Behal, Jacob Miller, Simon Ezekiel, Ad. Platonovsky, Joseph W. Salus, Morris Wieder, Ad. Ebleher, Raphael Tetter, Ad. Heneman, I. W. Kahn, M. Roman, M. K. Cohen, S. W. Goodman, Jacob Singer, Charles Hoffman, S. Wiesenthal, J. L. Herzstein, M. Mendelsohn, M. C. Hirsch, William Wolf, Benjamin Nusbaum, Joseph Newman.

Pittsburg—O. H. Rosenbaum, A. H. Abrams, Abraham Shenkan, David Hollander, Louis Goldsmith, Henry Jackson, Josiah Cohen.

Newark—N. J.—M. Berla, Jacob Holzer, Reuben Frier, I. C. Reis.

Wilkes-Barre—Sol Hirsch, S. J. Straus, Joseph D. Coons.

Jersey City—Charles Marks.

Danville—Hy. L. Gross.

Pottsville—Samuel Cohn.

Hoboken, N. J.—William Seeligberg.

Trenton, N. J.—Elias Berla, Joseph L. Herold.

Lancaster—I. Rosenthal.

Allentown—J. Schurman.

Wilkes-Barre, Del.—M. W. W. Whitcomb—S. J. Rosenbaum.

Other representatives from different parts of the district are Edward Alexander, I. M. Goudsmit, Morris Levine, Jay Reifer, Benjamin Isaacs, Louis Cohn, Sol Bendheim and Franklin Marx.

AFTERNOON MEETING.

In the afternoon at 2 o'clock the opening meeting was conducted in the Linden street temple.

The temple was appropriately decorated, and the musical part of the pro-

gramme was well attended to by a splendid choir, under the direction of Prof. C. B. Derman.

An organ prelude and selection by the choir opened the services, and prayer was offered by Rev. M. Salzman, of Wilkes-Barre.

He was followed by President Hoffman, who made an introductory address, speaking in a general manner of the order, and making the audience acquainted with the orator of the day, Rev. M. M. Ebleher, of Philadelphia.

The latter then addressed his audience, speaking in an easy, eloquent manner, which held the attention of all who heard him.

In the course of his speech he gave utterance to the following sentiments:

Marked as I am proud of the progress of the nineteenth century. In science, in art, in inventions, in political, social, educational, charitable and religious institutions it has made greater strides than any two centuries ever did before. If Newton, Galileo, or Kepler would rise up from his grave he would blush seeing that a schoolboy knows more of the wonderful universe with its infinite stars and planets than those gigantic intellects of the past. Benjamin Franklin, who first taught the world how to draw the lightning from the clouds, would be astonished at the sight of a common street car propelled by the mysterious power of electricity, or seeing the brilliancy of the electric light which changes right into day. Robert Fulton with his little boat on the Hudson, James Watt, with his clumsy engine, would marvel at the wonderful development of the work which they began.

APPLICATION TO LIFE.

In all branches of knowledge and in their application to practical life, progress has been made and enormous advance in increase of human comfort and happiness. In the moral, political and social life of the nineteenth century has made many changes and improvements. The spirit of freedom has entered the world, the nations have cast the yoke of tyranny to shake and the tyrants to tremble. The Zulus of one hundred years ago would have believed in miracles, the modern nations believe in facts. In olden times people wished to have the privilege of dying in Jerusalem, now they want to make it a place to live in. The difference is admirably illustrated on the post card which is sent to the Basic congress. On one side there is a gloomy picture of old Hebrews, clothed in long gowns, standing and weeping at the "western wall" which is supposed to be the last remnant of the temple of Jerusalem. Decrepit and bent figures wringing their hands for the rebuilding of the temple, for the Jews to have the privilege of dying in Jerusalem, now they want to make it a place to live in. The difference is admirably illustrated on the post card which is sent to the Basic congress. On one side there is a gloomy picture of old Hebrews, clothed in long gowns, standing and weeping at the "western wall" which is supposed to be the last remnant of the temple of Jerusalem. Decrepit and bent figures wringing their hands for the rebuilding of the temple, for the Jews to have the privilege of dying in Jerusalem, now they want to make it a place to live in.

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The principal matter, however, under discussion, was Senator Cullom's proposed amendment to the interstate commerce law. Heretofore the interstate commerce commissioners have been practically figure heads. They could hear testimony regarding the charging of prohibitive freight rates on "Some Aids in Arithmetic" and could offer suggestions, but they had no real power.

Senator Cullom's amendment gives them the right to fix the maximum and minimum rates to be charged and provides that their ruling shall in all cases be final and operative until passed upon by the United States court. A number of speeches were made favoring the adoption of this amendment and on account of the opposition to the measure already cropping out in Washington, a special committee was appointed to make a field trip to the coal fields and to report on this committee, Secretary Atherton being among the number.

FORGET DIFFERENCES.

Let us forget our differences. Let us no longer speak of Jews of Abner, of Poles, of Russians, of Catholics and Protestants. Though scattered over the face of the globe, we are still one people worshipping the same God.

Brothers of the covenant! Let us uphold our banner and spread the light of the Messiah, of education and enlightenment, of culture among our people. Let us assist those who are helpless to be able to help themselves. Let us bring about an era that there be no cause of saying "Heine did it" or "Judaism is not religion but a misfortune."

Like Moses of old, let us today tell the children of Israel to go to work. Let our motto be "Onward ever onward and upward" and the waves of the sea of misery will divide and the wilderness of hatred will be changed into a garden and the hills of difficulties will be leveled, and a land of milk and honey will enter the promised land where righteousness shall flow like rivers, where justice and peace shall reign supreme, where human affections shall be purified and the ideal of Israel shall be realized. Amen.

The guests, many of whom have brought with them their wives, are being entertained at the Hotel Jermyn, and every arrangement is being made for their comfort and enjoyment.

Most of the evening arrived Saturday a banquet was tendered them at the club house of the Excelsior Social club. It was served by Caterer E. Moses, while the rooms appropriately decorated presented a handsome appearance. The large ballroom was transformed into a dining room, beautifully decked with plants and greens. Long strings of foliage extended all over the walls, gracefully twisted together, while floral stars and crescents added a symbolic appearance to the general effect.

At 7:30 o'clock all present sat down to the dinner, which, with the after-dinner speeches, continued to nearly 11 o'clock.

During all this time enlivening music was discoursed by Bauer's orchestra.

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Notwithstanding all packers have advanced Canned Goods, we have no faith in any such movement. On the contrary, we are selling our best brands at last year's prices—some brands less. Coursen's Sweet Blossom Corn last year was 15c \$1.50. This year we offer at 12c, \$1.25 dozen. Maine Corn, packed by Burnham & Morrill; 10c; \$1.00 dozen, fine Gold Packed Tomatoes; 10c, \$1.00 dozen, Maine Succotash; 12c, \$1.25 dozen, California Fruits, 3-lb cans Good Syrup, 19c per can. Apricots, 3-lb cans, 15c.

E. G. COURSEN.

BRIEF MENTION OF MEN OF THE HOUR

SCRANTONIANS AT NATIONAL BOARD OF TRADE.

Secretary D. B. Atherton and Colonel F. L. Hitchcock Return from That Meeting—Some of the Matters That Were Discussed—J. A. Lansing, the New President of the Board of Trade—Work of Major W. S. Millar as the Brigade Inspector of the National Guard.

Secretary D. B. Atherton and Colonel F. L. Hitchcock, the Scranton representatives at the annual meeting of the national board of trade, held last week in Washington, D. C., returned to this city on Saturday and though they didn't succeed in getting the board to urge upon the navy department the necessity of purchasing anthracite coal for use on the warships, they nevertheless report the meeting not only a pleasant, but also a profitable one.

Secretary Atherton, in talking over the meeting on Saturday, said that the anthracite coal question was brought up on the last day of the session, when he introduced a resolution to the effect that the board heartily endorsed the idea of using anthracite coal exclusively on all warships.

One kind looking old gentleman got up, Secretary Atherton says, and said that he could not see how the board could consider such a resolution for a moment, as if anthracite coal were endorsed the next thing the board would be doing would be endorsing "Ivory Soap" and "Royal Baking Powder." He moved that the resolution be laid upon the table, whereupon Mr. Atherton withdrew, remarking, however, that he was coming back next year to fight it out again.

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FOUND DEAD IN BED.

Sudden Demise of Mrs. Michael Conway, of the Boulevard.

Heart Failure the Cause.

Mrs. Michael Conway, of the Boulevard, Throop, was found dead in bed at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon by a member of the family who went to bring her food.

Mrs. Conway had arisen early, but complained of not feeling well and went back to bed.

She remained in her room and about 1 o'clock one of her children entered the apartment with dinner for her.

The mother made no response to questions and interrogations, and at first it was thought she was asleep. On going closer, however, it was seen that her body was cold and that life had departed.

The cause of this sudden death is a mystery, as Mrs. Conway was not known to be subject to any organic disease. It is thought, however, that heart failure was the cause of her sudden taking away.

Coroner Roberts' office was notified of the case. The coroner had been obliged to go to Carbondale yesterday morning and was therefore prevented from an investigation of the matter until today.

Mrs. Conway was 38 years of age and is survived by her husband and a family of five children. Her funeral will take place Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock, at the Dickson church, and interment will be made in the Cathedral cemetery.

GIRL FOUND DEAD IN BED.

Coroner Roberts Decided That Heart Disease Was the Cause.

Some time during Friday night Verona Bonomo, the 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cerrillo Bonello, of Little England, was found dead in bed by her mother.

Saturday Coroner Roberts was notified and made an examination of the body. He was satisfied that death was due to heart disease and decided that an inquest was unnecessary.

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INSTITUTE OF TEACHERS.

Meeting Held in the High School Auditorium.

A large number of city teachers congregated in the auditorium of the High School last Saturday to receive instruction from those who were selected for a place on the monthly institute program. Every public school in the city was represented and Miss Nye, Superintendent Howell was director of the institute and Professor Stone led the singing, which was very effective.

Miss Nettie Nye, of the High school, was the first to take part in the program. The questions which were brought out and discussed by Miss Nye pertained directly to the welfare of the students along the line of composition. The essay brought out in a very effective manner the means a teacher should use in bringing a subject, which is to be written upon, before the mind of the student.

Miss Nye was followed by Professor David Owens, of No. 13 school, who discussed the subject of geography. Mr. Owens selected as his main topic the study of drainage. He dwelt on the subject of rivers, considering them from their sources to the mouth, the influence rivers have on the production of a country, the inhabitants and trade. He took mainly as an example for his discourse the Rhine river of Germany.

Professor Kemmerling, of No. 23 school, was the next speaker to take the platform. Mr. Kemmerling's talk on "Some Aids in Arithmetic" was directed especially to the teachers.

Superintendent Howell addressed the meeting briefly and gave a short synopsis of the things said by the former speakers. He also asked the opinion of the teachers as to whether or not it was advisable to have a committee appointed at the next meeting for the purpose of collecting the essays which have been read at the meetings and having them printed in book form. As nearly all were in favor of this, it was decided to have a committee appointed next month. Special mention was made of the fact that no teacher should admit a pupil back to school after being absent on account of contagious disease, unless the pupil has a certificate from a physician.

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