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CITY NOTES. POLICE DRILL—Sergeant of Police Robert Deiter yesterday drilled the police officers during night duty this week at the armory.

HOME MISSION MEETING—The meeting of the Home Mission Society will be held in the lecture room of the Second Presbyterian church this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

WILL MEET TONIGHT—The Keystone Republican club will meet tonight at the Central Republican assembly room, 126 Washington avenue, to which are invited all the aspirants for county offices.

RAIN OR SHINE—The Wallace circus tents are absolutely water proof and afford thorough protection even in the heaviest storms.

ACQUAIO DI PERIURI—Carrie Styles and Nora Bryden, of Carlisle, were yesterday committed to the county jail by Alderman Atkinson, of Carlisle, on charges of perjury while testifying against him in a recent case.

MEETING OF EXEMPTORERS—Census Supervisor John R. Edwards has called a meeting of the exemptors.

all the census enumerators under his supervision for tomorrow morning in the board of trade assembly room where he will give them personal instructions regarding the taking of the census.

INTERSTATE HOMOPATHS—At the annual meeting of the Interstate Homopaths' association, held in Binghamton, Dr. Theodore Sarrath was elected one of the vice-presidents; Dr. Peck, treasurer, and Dr. W. J. Berlinghoff, a member of the executive committee.

ANNUAL INSPECTION—The annual inspection of the fire department of the city will take place next week when on two afternoons not yet decided upon, the joint fire committee of councilors, Mayor Moir and Chief Williams will visit the quarters of the various companies and afterwards make a report upon the condition of the department in general.

MUCH ACCUSED MAN—Herman Shenrock was arrested Wednesday in Wyoming and yesterday brought to the city and given a hearing by Alderman House, on charges preferred by Mrs. E. P. Purter, of North Scranton, who charged him with having obtained board and lodging at her house under false pretences, and also with having beaten and threatened her.

ART EXHIBIT—Miss MacSutt, Miss Hall and their pupils are having an exhibition of art at the Conservatory of Music. There are many lovely pieces of china exquisitely painted and much water color, oil, pencil drawing and modeling.

EXONERATED MOTORMAN—The coroner's jury in the case of Thomas McCune, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John McCue, of Butler street, Dunmore, who died from injuries received by being run over by a street car on Wednesday evening, on the No. 4 branch of the Scranton Railway company, met in the arbitration room of the court house last evening and rendered a verdict exonerating Motorman Whelshoff from any blame in the unfortunate occurrence.

FOR THE HOSPITAL—The directors of the Bismarck hospital thankfully acknowledge gifts from the following persons for the months of March and April: Mrs. C. B. Scott, Mrs. George Sanderson, Mrs. C. W. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. E. N. Callahan, Mrs. Edward Jones, Mrs. C. H. Waller, Lackawanna Dairy company, Mr. J. R. Dimmock, Mr. Charles Goben, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. S. M. Bailey, Mrs. Florence Beck, Mrs. E. A. Clark, A. H. Stevens, Mrs. A. C. Nelson, Mr. Lange, Mrs. E. M. Boies, Mrs. T. E. Jones, Mrs. John W. Hoarsh, Mrs. M. H. Holzate, Mrs. C. E. Woolworth, Mrs. G. D. Murray, Hon. William C. Connell, Miss E. J. Flint, Mrs. E. V. Miller, Mrs. Charles E. Robinson, Mrs. A. G. Gilmore, a friend, Professor Buck's Sunday school class, Mrs. A. F. Bone, Mrs. E. B. Jerny, Mr. V. L. Coffey, Mrs. Carrie Galloway, Mrs. Charles Hallstead, J. C. Higfield, Mrs. Henry Bell, Mrs. G. B. Smith, Mrs. Alfred Hand, Mrs. L. A. Watson, Mrs. Charles Schlager, Mr. Walter Birch, Mr. J. G. Fetter, Mrs. A. M. Becker, Mrs. Surrh, Master Vandling, Mrs. Anna Kirk, Mrs. McNeill, Grace Reformed church, Miss Cohen, Mrs. James Mott, Mrs. C. D. Simpson, Mrs. J. W. Coultz, Mrs. John Beech, Dr. Ware, Mrs. L. H. Stevens. Vocal music was rendered by Miss Anna Salmon, Mr. C. E. Salmon, C. H. Deagan, Thomas J. Gippel, Mr. B. T. Jayne and daughter, Miss Hoffman.

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ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT. Will Be Held at the School of Lackawanna on June 14—This Year's Graduates.

The twenty-seventh annual commencement exercises of the School of Lackawanna will take place June 14, when nine young men and five young ladies will leave the school, nearly all of whom will continue their educational training at some university.

The commencement exercises will be given at 7.45 o'clock in the evening, in the main school room of the building. The seats and desks will be taken out and replaced with camp chairs, and in this way seating facilities will be provided for about 200 persons. Electric lights have been put in and several other improvements made.

The members of this year's class are: Clara Lucella Woodruff, Elisabeth Phillips, Alberta Raymond Seamans, Mairi Kellum Shaw, Lucy Decker, Fern Harrington, Henry Patrick Job, Joseph McDonnell, Thomas Archie Morgan, Martin J. Moffitt, Jerome Rice, John Ferdinand Schneider, Burr do Forest Vall, Arthur James Weston, James Parker Wilson.

Of this number, two of the young ladies will continue their studies at Bryn Mawr, and one at Vassar, while of the young men, two are going to Lehigh and two to Wesleyan, and one each to Princeton, Pennsylvania, and Yale. This is the largest percentage of graduates ever sent to college from an evening class at the School of the Lackawanna.

At the commencement exercises the annual address to the school will be made by Rev. William Fetherby Gibbons, of the First Presbyterian church, of Dunmore. Thomas Archie Morgan will make a valedictory speech, which will be appropriately responded to on the part of the school by Miss Alice Knapp, daughter of ex-Judge Henry A. Knapp. She is one of the undergraduates of the school, and was selected to give the responses.

In addition, the members of the graduating class will be addressed by Head Master W. E. Plumley. The annual distribution of prizes will then be made for the entire school, those the most proficient during the term in the classics, mathematics, German, composition, etc., receiving the guardians for their industry.

At the conclusion of the exercises, the graduating class will hold a reception at the school, at which will be present a large number of undergraduates and personal friends of the Scrantonites. In the afternoon the primary and intermediate departments will hold their annual exercises. Compositions will be read, recitations given, and musical selections rendered.

An Exposition for St. Louis. Washington, May 24.—The house committee on the Louisiana purchase expedition is to be held at St. Louis in 1903, this afternoon voted to report the expedition bill to the house without recommendation, favorable or unfavorable.

ONLY ONE OFFICER WAS REMOVED

PATROLMAN JOHN PEUSTER THE MAN TO FEEL THE AX. Council Directs the Mayor to Re-instate Lieutenant Spellman and Patrolman I. F. Jones—John Addyman Elected the Successor of Patrolman Peuster—The Ordinance Granting a Franchise to the Connell Park and Speedway Street Railway Passed on Third Reading.

Mayor Moir received a setback last night from select council when that body by an unanimous vote decided to retain Lieutenant Michael Spellman on the police force and by an almost unanimous vote decided to also retain Patrolman I. F. Jones. The only one of the mayor's removals that was concurred in was that of Patrolman John Peuster and the appointment of John Addyman, of Green Ridge, to fill this vacancy was concurred in.

The matter was brought up by Mr. Lidstone, who moved that the mayor's communication removing the officers be taken out of the hands of the committee and brought before council. Chairman Wagner ruled this motion out of order, inasmuch as last night's meeting was an adjourned and not a regular meeting of council and the committee, under the rules, could not be expected to report until such a time as a regular meeting was held. Mr. McAndrew accordingly moved that the rules be suspended and this motion was finally adopted.

At this juncture Dr. Herman Bessey presented a petition signed by over 150 residents of North Scranton, requesting that Lieutenant Spellman be retained, he being "a faithful, capable and efficient officer." A similar petition asking for the retention of Patrolman Jones was also read. This last petition was signed by four councilmen, viz: Luther Keller, John Nagell, Charles E. Wenzel and C. F. Wagner. Chairman James J. O'Brien, of the committee, explained that he had been unable to get the committee together and when asked by Mr. Chittenden if the committee had heard of any charges against the officers he replied that they had not. This prompted Mr. Chittenden to assert:

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Mr. Finn moved that council consider the removals separately and the removal of Lieutenant Spellman was accordingly called up first. Mr. Roche moved that council refuse to concur in the action of the mayor and the motion was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Ross, Finn, Costello, Thomas, Williams, James, Roche, Melvin, Chittenden, Wagner, Schneider, Shea, Lidstone, McCann, Oliver, O'Boyle, Vaughan, Coyne, McAndrew—19. Nays—None.

Mr. Lidstone then moved that the action of the mayor in removing Patrolman Peuster be concurred in. Mr. Chittenden said that this was a resident of his ward and he wanted Mr. Lidstone to say if he knew anything wrong against him. Mr. Lidstone said he knew many, many bad things about the officer which, however, he didn't mention. The motion to concur in the mayor's action was carried by the following vote:

Yeas—Ross, Finn, Costello, Thomas, Williams, James, Roche, Melvin, Wagner, Shea, Lidstone, McCann, Oliver, O'Boyle, Vaughan, Coyne, McAndrew—14. Nays—Chittenden, Schneider, McCann—3. Mr. Finn then moved that the appointment of John Addyman be concurred in, and this motion was carried, Mr. Chittenden being the only one voting against the appointment.

Later in the evening Mr. Lidstone introduced a resolution requesting the mayor to reinstate Lieutenant Spellman and Patrolman Jones on the force. The motion was unanimously adopted.

NEW PATROLMAN. The new patrolman is a protégé of School Controller B. T. Jayne, and was endorsed generally by the Republicans of the Third ward, where he has his home, and where for years he has done stalwart work for his party. He is a mechanic in the employ of the Dickson Manufacturing company,

married, and lives on Penn avenue in a neat home of which he is the owner. He is thirty-five years of age, over six feet tall and weighs 210 pounds. His neighbors speak of him as a man of exemplary habits, intelligent, and in every way capable.

The ordinance granting a franchise to the Connell Park and Speedway Street Railway company was called up by Mr. Clemens, who arrived a little late, and passed third and final reading, every member voting for it except Mr. Finn, who left the council chamber when it was called up, and Mr. Schroeder, who was absent.

The park committee is evidently after the park commissioners. Under the head of new business, Mr. Williams, one of the members of the committee, introduced a resolution providing that hereafter when any work is to be done at the parks that the city clerk advertise for proposals, said proposals to be opened by council, and the contract to be awarded by council.

This takes a deal of power out of the hands of the commissioners. Mr. Schneider, another member of the committee, introduced a resolution calling upon the commissioners to furnish their yearly report, which should have been in by April 1. Both resolutions were unanimously adopted.

The new celebrated license tax ordinance, which is said to have been the innocent cause of the larger part of the alleged bribing, was referred, on motion of Mr. Williams, back to the license committee for further consideration.

The following ordinances were passed on third and final reading: Providing that the city clerk advertise for proposals for providing for clerk hire in the controller's department; providing for a telephone in the Cumberland hose house; providing for sidewalks in the Nineteenth ward.

COMMON COUNCIL MEETING. Action on Sprinkling Ordinance In definitely Postponed. The members of common council wrangled for half an hour last night over Mr. Phillips' ordinance, directing the Scranton Railway company to sprinkle the unpaved streets through which its road runs. It was finally decided to postpone action indefinitely on the measure.

An opinion from City Solicitor Voorburg on the legality of the measure was read. He points out in this that municipalities have the right to enforce reasonable regulations upon corporations, but states that in the absence of a controlling decision he is unable to forecast what the ruling of court would be should the railway company refuse to abide by the terms of the ordinance.

Mr. Grier seemed to be unalterably opposed to the ordinance on general principle, and Mr. Keller stated that he believed in asking no favors from the company, but compelling it to pay a just share of taxes. A motion to indefinitely postpone was finally carried.

Mr. Keller amended the bond ordinance, "I want to say that this is the sale of the bonds is taken out of the hands of the mayor and city clerk and placed in the hands of council. The amendment was unanimously adopted in committee on the whole.

The following new resolutions were introduced and adopted: By Mr. Nagell—Providing for the erection of a fire hydrant on the corner of Clay avenue and Myrtle street.

By Mr. Phillips—Directing the street commissioner to direct the Lackawanna Iron and Coal company to clean the sidewalk on the east side of Coda avenue, between the Roaring Brook and the bridge.

By Mr. Keller—Granting permission to A. G. Snow to connect his property, at the corner of Linden street and Coda street, with the Schultz court sewer.

Mr. Keller also introduced an ordinance providing for the construction of flagstone sidewalks on Colfax and Wheeler avenues, between Ridge Row and Vine street.

TO REORGANIZE THE DEPARTMENT

MOVEMENT STARTED BY COUNCILMAN CHITTENDEN. Does Not Believe the Fire Department Is as Efficient as It Might Be Under Existing Circumstances and Succeeded in Having a Committee Appointed to Consider the Question of Changing the Department from a Volunteer to a Paid Basis—Believes It Would Improve Discipline.

Select Councilman C. E. Chittenden, of the Ninth ward, went on record last night as being in favor of a thorough reorganization of the fire department, and succeeded finally in having the matter referred to a special committee for thorough consideration.

Mr. Chittenden kept up a persistent hammering at the department all night. Early in the evening the fire committee of select reported favorably a number of ordinances, and as each one of these was reported Mr. Chittenden moved that action on it be indefinitely postponed.

The first one of these was the ordinance creating the office of fire marshal. Action on this was postponed by a vote of fourteen to five. A motion to postpone on the ordinance providing for a permanent man for the Franklin ward, and then another motion to indefinitely postpone on the ordinance for two permanent men for the Liberty and Niagara companies was carried. This latter action greatly incensed Mr. Finn, who said:

"This is an outrage. Anything they want for the central city companies they get, but anything we want for our North Scranton companies is ignored." "These two companies ought to be separated," said Mr. Chittenden, "but we never had a mayor or a chief who dared tackle the question and keep them apart."

MAN FOR COLUMBIAS. The next ordinance reported favorably on was the measure providing for the appointment of an additional man for the Columbias. Mr. Chittenden moved to indefinitely postpone, but Mr. Oliver indignantly protested.

Mr. Chittenden then asked him how many men the company now has, and he replied three. "This will make four men, I'll admit," said Mr. Oliver, "but we need that number. There are two pieces of apparatus in that house, and every piece of apparatus should have two men. In the central city they have three and four men in a house, but when we want them in West Scranton, we don't get them."

When the ordinance came up later on second reading Mr. Chittenden moved that the volunteer fire department be disbanded and that four paid men be allotted to each company. "The gentleman is getting facetious," said Mr. Oliver, "if we're going to do this we should allow seven men to each company." But the idea is absurd, he's going wild.

"I'm not wild," retorted Mr. Chittenden, "neither am I facetious. It's the way the councils are running wild that prompts me to offer this motion. We are expending over \$50,000 a year on the department now and what are we getting. I am heartily in favor of disbanding these companies and putting the members back on the tax books where they belong."

"My plan is to have four men in each company and to have one of those chosen captain. This will rid us of this useless expenditure and political wire-pulling. We all know that the department at present is absolutely destitute of discipline."

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE. It was finally decided to refer the whole matter to a special committee and Chairman Wagner appointed Messrs. Chittenden, Oliver and Vaughan as members of such a committee.

Action on the ordinance providing for the permanent men for the two North Scranton companies was finally reconsidered and the measure passed two readings.

YANKEE PUSH IN NOVA SCOTIA. Interesting Lecture Before the Engineers' Club by H. W. Rowley. Under the auspices of the Scranton Engineers' club an interesting lecture was given last night in the board of trade auditorium by H. W. Rowley, M. E., of the Dickson Manufacturing company, on "The Mining and Manufacturing Enterprises of the Whitney Syndicates in Nova Scotia."

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CONTRACTOR ROSSER HERE. Work on New Telephone Company Trenches to Begin Monday. The Lackawanna Telephone company has awarded to D. M. Rosser, of Kingston, the contract for digging the trenches for its underground ducts.

DIED. KELLER--At Saginaw, Mich., on April 23, J. M. Keller, a former passenger conductor on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western.

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