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WEATHER YESTERDAY.

Local data for March 13, 1901:
Highest temperature 42 degrees
Lowest temperature 28 degrees
Humidity 75
W. wind 10 to 15 miles per hour.
Rainfall of hours ending 8 p. m., trace.

PERSONAL.

Miss M. E. Coates, of Wyoming avenue, was started from a business trip to New York city.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Tallant, of 422 Madison avenue, are spending a few days at their old home at Great Bend, Pa.

A large number of friends were entertained by the Misses Goldsmith, of Wyoming avenue, last night, in honor of their guest, Miss Elizabeth, of Philadelphia.

G. A. Callahan, who has been the representative in this city for some time of the Ontario Hydraulic company, left yesterday for Scranton, on his way to Buffalo, where the company will install a number of electric plants.

M. B. Casey, superintendent of the company; E. M. Blue, division superintendent, and M. E. Smith, district passenger agent, all of the Pennsylvania railroad, were in Scranton yesterday. Division freight agent Tom Bessie returned on No. 6 yesterday afternoon from a trip north.

FIRE ON ADAMS AVENUE.

Home of H. J. Coons Damaged to Extent of \$350.

A fire of most mysterious origin broke out yesterday morning about 10 o'clock in a clothes closet on the second floor of the double frame building at 525-527 Adams avenue, on the side occupied by H. J. Coons.

The central city companies responded to an alarm turned in from Box 25, and only the Phoenix chemical company did any active work. They kept the flames confined to two rooms. The damage done amounted to about \$350, covered by insurance. The house is owned by John Ladwig.

UNITED STATES DESERTER.

Surrendered Himself in This City Yesterday.

Owen Sweeney, who gives his address at Olyphant, appeared at the United States recruiting station, on Wyoming avenue, yesterday and surrendered himself as a deserter. Sweeney was taken to police headquarters, preparatory to being taken back to his station at Fort Columbus.

Sweeney is a private in Company D, First artillery, and deserted several weeks ago.

HAD BURGLAR TOOLS.

Patrolman Conroy Arrested Man for Stealing Gum Machine.

Joseph Walsh, thirty years of age, was arrested by Patrolman Conroy early yesterday morning, while trying to make way with a gum slot machine at the corner of Olive street and Adams avenue.

Walsh was arraigned before Recorder Wolf in police court. He pleaded a hearing and entered \$500 bail for court, and is being held at police headquarters in default of the same. Walsh and another man, unknown to the police, were trying to dislodge the machine from its fastenings in front of Everett's grocery store, when someone passing frightened them away. They succeeded in loosening the machine and started to run down the street, but before proceeding far found it to be too bulky for a successful flight and threw it over a fence.

When Patrolman Conroy arrived there was no one in sight, but he found the machine behind the fence. Believing that the thief would return for his plunder, he quietly placed himself in the shadow of a friendly tree and waited developments. Very shortly the two returned, proceeded cautiously around, and pulled the candy contrivance from back of the fence. Conroy stepped forth from his concealment and nabbed Walsh, but the other man ran away in the darkness.

When searched at police headquarters, a number of burglar's tools were found in his possession. A steel rod, two feet in length, commonly called a jimmy, two eight-inch bits and four squibs fell into the hands of the police.

Walsh hails from Johnson's patch, and this is no means his first appearance in police circles, having been arrested for various offenses. Recently he completed serving a two years' term for burglary committed at Schlager's store, on Washington avenue.

TREASURER'S SALARY.

Says It Can't Be Reduced—Thinks Commissions Allowed for Delinquent Tax Collections Absurd.

City Treasurer E. J. Robinson stated yesterday that if council reduced his salary for the coming fiscal year from \$4,000 to \$2,500, as proposed by the general reorganization ordinance, he would bring suit to recover the remainder.

Mr. Robinson contends that while council can fix the salary for the next city treasurer at \$2,500 they cannot reduce his during his term of office. The constitution distinctly provides, he says, that the salary or emoluments of no public officer shall be reduced after his election or appointment. He will make no effort to have the ordinance amended in council, but will fight for his salary if it passes as it now stands.

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SUICIDE AT THORNHURST.

Farmer Workheiser Hung Himself from the Rafters in His Barn.

The residents of Thornhurst, a little village twelve miles from Gladstone, were startled yesterday to learn that Farmer Workheiser, one of their most respected residents, had committed suicide by hanging himself from the rafters in his barn. No cause is assigned, and it is believed that he must have been temporarily insane. Deceased is survived by his wife and several children.

When the body was found, Workheiser was in a kneeling position, the noose around his neck being quite loose, and the supposition is that he intended to descend from the rafters. Squire Heller held an inquest on the body, and the jury rendered a verdict to the effect that Workheiser came to his death by his own hands. The news reached this city yesterday, when the above facts were related by Jacob Baylor, who resides at Thornhurst.

CLOSE OF GOSPEL MEETINGS.

Rev. M. E. McLinn Will Be at Grace Lutheran Church Tonight.

The gospel meetings that have been held in Grace English Lutheran church, corner Madison avenue and Mulberry street, for the past two weeks will be brought to a close this evening. Rev. M. E. McLinn, of Bloomsburg, president of this conference, will preach tonight.

Next Sunday morning and evening, Rev. A. Stewart Hartman, D. D., of Baltimore, Md., general secretary of the home mission board, will preach. After the morning service, a congregational meeting will consider and determine several important steps for the future development of its work.

CHARGED WITH ASSAULT.

Warrant Issued for the Arrest of Charles Tierney.

Charles Tierney, a driver for Charles & Scott, tobacco manufacturers, was arrested yesterday, charged with assaulting the twelve-year-old son of G. H. Brown, of Merrifield avenue.

Tierney went before Alderman Miller, waived a hearing and entered \$200 bail for his appearance in court.

FOR LARCENY OF CLOTHING.

William Lynch Locked Up in Center Street Station.

William Lynch was locked up in the center street station last night on the charge of larceny of clothing, preferred by Chief of Police Robling.

He will be given a hearing before Alderman Howe today.

JESSUP MAN IS A STAR

SAM HODGINS BESTS WILLIAM LESTER.

Crack Young Wrestler Appearing at the Gaiety Was Easy for Sam Hodgins, a Semi-Profess from Jessup—Bout Only Lasted Trifle Over Two Minutes—Leo Pardoello Downed Charles Zang and John Langan—Latter Was Too Light and Former Too Heavy.

The wrestling-loving Scranton populace which was drawn to the Gaiety theatre last night by the presence there of Leo Pardoello and William, also known as "Kid" Lester, was afforded a triple treat, as Pardoello met two men, while his companion took on one. This one, however, proved more than enough, as at the end of two minutes and forty-two seconds Sam Hodgins, of Jessup, a stocky little Englishman, had put Lester on his back, and the laurels of "the lightweight champion wrestler of the United States" were withered and dry.

Hodgins is the same man who met Lester Monday night and secured a flying fall in four minutes. Lester disputed this fall, and claimed the referee's decision in granting it was erroneous. There was no question about last night's fall, however, a deadly half-Nelson doing the business very effectually.

Pardoello, the big, Gracioso-Roman wrestler, who was recently defeated at the Scranton Bicycle club by M. J. Dwyer, last night disposed of Charles Zang and John Langan. The latter, like Hodgins, is from Jessup, both men being employed in the mines.

Langan was the first to meet the swarthy Italian. When they shook hands, it took but a glance for the spectators to see that the men were totally unequal physically. Pardoello, deep chested and fleshy, easily weighed two hundred pounds, while Langan did not look to weigh much over one hundred and fifty-five.

CONDITIONS OF MATCHES.

The conditions of all three matches were that Pardoello or Lester was to throw his man in fifteen minutes, or forfeit \$50. Langan soon showed that, while not possessing the strength or strength of his opponent, he possessed a large amount of knowledge of the game and was clever at headwork.

Time after time he wriggled out of strong holds which the Italian secured, and when the referee announced that five minutes had passed, and the spectators saw Langan apparently as fresh as when he started, the lighter man received a hearty burst of applause.

Pardoello here began the use of tactics which the crowd didn't approve of, as he caught Langan's arm in a vice-like grip and began twisting it in a manner which was suggestive of a broken member and a speedy termination of the bout. Hoots and hisses greeted these methods, and Pardoello then abandoned them. Several minutes passed, however, and Pardoello not being able to successfully use any half-Nelson or neck holds, and resorting to the genital arm twist. Another volley of hisses ensued, but the hold was perfectly legitimate and Leo was aware of the fact. In the midst of the tumult Langan grunted something, and the referee announced that the Jessup man had forfeited the bout after ten minutes and thirty-three seconds.

Pardoello then came forward and apologetically remarked that his hold was a perfectly fair one, and in justice to the people putting up the forfeit he availed himself of it. "He one of the cleverest" he "box" I ever wrestle," he added, as an honest compliment to Langan.

ZANG AND PARDEOLLO.

Charles Zang, a well-known local foot ball and base ball player, was next to meet Pardoello. He had superabundance of the weight that Langan lacked, and the whiteness and rather flabby appearance of his skin showed him not in the best condition to meet the hardy Pardoello. The latter lunged desperately at his heavy opponent for several minutes in futile efforts to move the big body, and finally securing a leg lock pinned Zang to the floor. Time, seven minutes and thirty-one seconds.

There was considerable delay in arranging the Lester-Hodgins match, as the former insisted on having the strange hold included in the available grips allowed, while the little Jessup man stubbornly refused to go on unless it were barred.

He finally withdrew his objections, however, and was loudly applauded as he appeared on the stage. Lester outweighed his opponent by at least fifteen pounds, and appeared to be the better built man.

Lester is magnificently proportioned, but Hodgins has a very heavy grip, and it was his physique which indicated that he is anything but the easiest proposition in the world on the mat.

He started the bout with a rush, tumbling Lester in the first few seconds by a vicious plunge at his thigh, and during the short duration of the match it was full of ginger. Lester tried for the strange hold with which he almost threw Hodgins Monday night, and at last secured it.

Back went the miner's head, slowly

ELECTION OF A MAYOR.

The Scheme Proposed by Democrats Has Apparently Fallen Through. They Can't Get a Candidate.

It is generally understood that the Democratic members of council have abandoned their idea of electing a mayor to serve until Scranton's city government is reorganized under the present ordinance on April 1. Some of the members themselves will admit this, but it is pretty safe to assume that it is true, nevertheless.

Two reasons are assigned, both of them very good ones. The first is that the committee has been unable to obtain the necessary signatures of a quarter of the members of select council in case a joint session was called. A prominent Republican member of the select council stated last night to a Tribune man that at the caucus held on Tuesday night it was decided by the eleven members present to support the candidacy of Wade M. Flinn for chairman, but also to stay away from any joint session called to elect a mayor.

Each of the committee members seen yesterday by a Tribune man would refer him to one of the other members, remarking, "I don't know the first thing about it."

WILL GIVE CITY TWO MONTHS.

Volunteer Firemen Will Then Withdraw from Service.

The delegates from the various volunteer fire companies at the meeting of the Firemen's Relief association, held on Tuesday night, discussed at some length the question of withdrawing from the department at a certain definite date in case the reorganization ordinance providing for the disbanding of the volunteer companies passes council.

While no definite action was taken on the matter, it was the prevailing sentiment that the companies should give the city two months, or until June 1, to reorganize the department and then withdraw. The ordinance itself as amended provides for the disbanding of all the companies within thirty days after its passage.

That the members seem confident it will pass may be taken as certain when the fact is taken into consideration that amendments to the by-laws and constitution were agreed upon, changing the title from that of "relief" association to "compensation" association. This is done with the view of retaining the fund which now goes to the relief association after the volunteer force is disbanded.

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A LITERARY COMPETITION WHERE EXPERIENCE IS NOT NECESSARY IN ORDER TO WIN.

In view of the fact that considerable time has elapsed since there has been any public competition through the local press for the purpose of stimulating the literary activity latent among the people, the Tribune has decided to offer a series of prizes as a stimulus in that direction. It is desirous of securing for the reading of local fiction. This series is held in its columns a number of short stories, each dealing with local themes. It opens a field, an incentive it proposes to pay \$25 for the best story of not to exceed 2,000 words in length, \$10 for the second best story, and \$5 for the third best story.

Stories tending to bring out the romance and legendary lore of the anthracite mining industry will have preference. In connection with every mine in the valley there is a mass of tradition, incident, half-legendary episodes, narratives of exploits happenings and other details bordering on the weird or supernatural which has never been gathered together in literary form. This series is held in its columns a number of short stories, each dealing with local themes. It opens a field, an incentive it proposes to pay \$25 for the best story of not to exceed 2,000 words in length, \$10 for the second best story, and \$5 for the third best story.

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AN INGLORIOUS VICTORY.

Elks Bowlers Down West End Wheelmen by Small Score.

The Elk bowling team went to Wilkes-Barre Tuesday night and on the alley of the West End Wheelmen secured the latter's rollers by the total of 212 to 287 pins. The scoring was very light and the night's general work poor.

The Elks talk of protesting the game, on the grounds that they were forced to roll with pins which were not the standard kind. Whether, of the Elks, had high score, 182, and high average, 156-2-4. The detailed score was as follows:

WEST END WHEELMEN.

Yost	148	148	148
De Bell	128	128	128
Hunter	113	113	113
Green	109	109	109
Table	504	504	504

FAIR OF THE WHEELMEN.

Programme That Will Be Rendered Tonight.

The fair of the Green Ridge Wheelmen, being held this week in their magnificent new club house, No. 1415 Wyoming avenue, was attended by a large crowd again last evening. The programme for tonight is as follows:

Schiffel, selected.....Miss Mildred Green
Coral solo, selected.....Miss W. E. French
"Boatie"—Indiana Prolog.....Miss E. French
Appeared with great success at Keitt's theater, Philadelphia.
Vocal solo, selected.....Miss Jessie Brand
Green Ridge Schola choir sang in front of the building. Admission ten cents.

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PRIZES FOR BEST BOWLERS

TOURNAMENT AMONG BICYCLE CLUB MEMBERS.

Forty Members of the Club Form Association Which Offers Three Prizes for Best Bowling of Each Month—Big Match Will Be Held at End of Month with Twenty Men on Each Side, to Be Followed by a Banquet.

The bowling tournament of the Northeastern Pennsylvania league is now rapidly drawing to a close and will be finished of the match games. Local rollers are already preparing for other contests which will supply the league games' place. The Scranton Bicycle club, which numbers in its ranks some of the most enthusiastic bowlers of the pin in this city, takes the lead in the arranging of new tournaments.

An inter-club members' contest is already in full blast, and great interest is being taken in it by all those belonging to the club. Forty of the bowlers whose ambitions soar towards the top notches in the bowling world, at present occupied by one like Bill, of Chicago; Starr, of New York, and Gugenbach, of Baltimore, have formed an association whose purpose is the general improvement of club bowling.

Each of the forty contributes his share towards a pool and part of this is utilized in the purchase of three-monthly prizes. These will be awarded to the man making the highest individual score, the bowler who rolls the best average, and also in sympathy a consolation garden to the unfortunate who makes the lowest score.

It may as well be added here that the competition for the last named prize is very high, a number of the members being bunched with beautiful two-figure scores.

Towards the end of the month, about March 27, a great match game will be played, in which an effort will be made to have the entire forty men participate, twenty players to be on each side.

Following the game a banquet will be given at the club. The prize for the high score man will probably be a silk hat. An effort is also under way to arrange for a tournament of the star bowlers of the Northeastern Pennsylvania league, in which matches will be rolled with but two men on a side.

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The aim realized will form a contribution to the rapidly growing building fund of the new temple. The merchandise accumulated ranges all the way from Earl & Wilson collars to ancient furniture dating back to the first empire. The ladies in charge have worked hard to gather a desirable collection of valuable properties and have more than succeeded.

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SERMON AT CATHEDRAL.

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A large congregation last night listened to the Rev. P. J. Gough in an eloquent sermon by Rev. P. J. Gough on "Mortal Sin." Father Gough explained at length the various evil effects following the commission of an act in willful disobedience of the laws of God, and urged the necessity of immediately seeking the Divine pardon. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament followed the sermon.

TODAY'S BIG AUCTION SALE OF HORSES.

Waldron, the horse shipper, will sell today forty head of the finest horses he ever brought to this market. Among the drove are horses of every description, from a child's pony to a draught horse weighing 1750 pounds. Several black horse teams, suitable for undertakers' work, was shown and greatly admired. The business consists of new harness and business chinks, singles and in matched pairs, and two fast pacers. They are all thoroughly broken, ready for immediate use. At 1 o'clock today they will be brought under the hammer and sold to the highest bidder. Anyone in need of a horse should attend this sale at Cusick's old stable.

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