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THE PEOPLE'S BANK.

PERSONAL.

S. J. Fay, of Chicago, is being entertained by Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Hara, of Emmaus street.

Mrs. James Sharrill and son, James, Jr., of Webster avenue, are visiting friends in Balltown.

J. W. Selley, of Lehigh, N. Y., is spending a few days with his sister, Mrs. A. C. Baber, of New York street.

General Gohm will arrive in the city this afternoon at 6 o'clock to attend the production of "Kandia Komee" at the Lyceum under the auspices of the Spanish-American War Veterans' association.

P. M. Green, for more than two years engaged in newspaper work in this city, having recently contributed to The Tribune, leaves today for Pittsburg, where he is to join the editorial staff of the Gazette, one of Pittsburg's foremost journals. Mr. Green is a man who has traveled widely, studied hard, observed closely and is a most interesting writer. We wish him abundant success.

HORSESHOERS' DINNER.

Given in Honor of Visiting Delegates to A. F. of L. Convention.

The Journeymen Horseshoers' Local No. 78, held a meeting in Ancient Order United Workmen's hall last night, and after the business session was over they adjourned to Messrs. Quinn's restaurant on Wyoming avenue, where a dinner was enjoyed.

Covers were laid for thirty-five people, among whom were International Delegate William Muirhead, of Newark, N. J.; Fraternal Delegate Ben Tillet, of London, Eng.; and W. J. O'Connell, president of the International Association of Machinists. Each of these gentlemen made short speeches of a congratulatory nature.

Simon Dorfman and John Bowie, of this city, also contributed something to amuse the assemblage. The affair was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

Tourist Cars on Nickel Plate Road.

Semi-weekly transcontinental tourist cars between the Atlantic and the Pacific coasts are operated by the Nickel Plate and its connections. Tourists are referred to afford the same sleeping accommodations, with same class of mattress and other bed clothing that are provided in the regular Pullman sleeping car service. These tourist cars leave Boston Monday and Wednesday, and leave San Francisco Tuesday and Fridays. Berths in these tourist cars are sold at greatly reduced rates. Conferences are offered without extra cost, for nesting food or preparing tea or coffee, affording every facility for comfort on a long journey, especially for families traveling with children. Lowest rates may be obtained always via the Nickel Plate road, including these tourist cars, consult your nearest ticket agent, or write F. J. Moore, general agent, 231 Main street, Buffalo, N. Y.

Ladies' Desks for Christmas.

If you search the entire city you cannot find a more acceptable present for a lady than one of the handsome writing desks shown at Hill & Connell's, 121 Washington avenue.

Full size Vexar, 16 for 20 cents; a good smoke cheap. Copiers.

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BICYCLE CLUB LEAGUE.

James Rolled Last Night on Scranton and Wilkes-Barre Alleys.

The Green Ridge Wheelmen's No. 2 and No. 3 teams, in the Bicycle Club league, and the No. 2 and No. 3 teams of the West End Wheelmen, at Wilkes-Barre, rolled match games last night in the bowling tournament, the results being as follows:

GREEN RIDGE WHEELMEN NO. 2.	Total.
Dick	100
Rowland	100
Reynolds	100
Paul	100
Stool	100
Total	500

GREEN RIDGE WHEELMEN NO. 3.	Total.
Wedeman	100
Dolph	100
Smith	100
Bliss	100
Kopp	100
Total	500

WEST END WHEELMEN NO. 2.	Total.
Wickson	100
Lane	100
Hunter	100
Car	100
J. W. Davis	100
Total	500

WEST END WHEELMEN NO. 3.	Total.
Robbins	100
Deber	100
Bennet	100
Smith	100
Jeffers	100
Total	500

MORE MEN GOING BACK.

One Returns Today, One Tomorrow and One Monday—Trouble at Old Forge Yesterday.

Three more of the strikers who have applied for reinstatement have been accepted by the company and will be put back to work on the cars. One will return today, one tomorrow and one Monday. This makes twenty-seven in all who have quit the ranks of the strikers.

Two of the company's trackmen spent four hours in jail yesterday, as a result of efforts to clear away obstructions on the Duray line at Old Forge.

Under the direction of Superintendent Patterson the two laborers took the debris that had been piled on the tracks and threw it into the roadway on either side. Impelled by the protests of the crowd that was collected the borough police arrested the laborers and proceeded to take them to jail. Superintendent Patterson demanded that they be given a hearing and the officers started with their prisoners to the office of Burgess Rees. He was not at home and a clerk was made to "Squire Pickering's" office. He, too, was away, and the prisoners had to go to jail.

"Squire Pickering arrived at 6 o'clock but declined to deal with the case. Burgess Rees, upon learning of the affair at 7 o'clock, went to the jail and ordered the prisoners released.

BANQUET OF CLERKS.

Very Enjoyable Event at the Hotel Terrace.

The Scranton and Dunmore locals of the Retail Clerks' International association gave a banquet at Hotel Terrace last night, in honor of National President O'Brien, of Buffalo; National Secretary Morris, of Denver, and Delegate Herman Robinson, of New York. President Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers; Chairman Quinn, of the auditing committee of the federation; and District President Nichols, of the miners, were also guests.

President O'Brien was toastmaster. Addresses were made by all the above-mentioned guests, and by Charles Lewin, M. E. Sanders, Arthur Kover and John H. Deane. A feature of the evening was a poem composed by President Nichols, of the mine workers, on the Central Labor union banquet, Tuesday night. It proved him a ready wit and graceful at verse-making.

Christmas Holiday Rates via Southern Railway.

On Dec. 23 to 31, inclusive, and Jan. 1, the Southern Railway will sell round trip tickets to all points south at rates of one and one-third first class one way fare, final limit Jan. 2, 1902. Tickets will be sold to students of schools and colleges at the above rate on Dec. 16 to 22, inclusive, with final limit Jan. 8, 1902, upon presentation of certificates signed by superintendents, principals or presidents. Chas. L. Hopkins, district passenger agent, Southern Railway, 828 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, will furnish all information.

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Schriever Will Tell You When

The time has arrived that will precede the taking of photographic orders for Christmas delivery, through a press announcement. The time is short—how thin to pore you, without delay.

Five Dollars

Will buy more framed pictures—the Cut-Rate Art Shop, 309 Lackawanna avenue, than ten will at other stores. You will find the latest art novelties to select from. Remember the number—309.

Novelties in Xmas Photos.

At the Griffin Art company's, 209 Wyoming avenue.

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IN SESSION UNTIL MIDNIGHT

COMMON COUNCIL CONSIDERED FRANCHISES.

Countless Amendments Were Introduced, but Adjournment Was Taken Before Vote on Second Reading—Amendment Limiting Time of Franchise to Forty Years Was Defeated—Opposition to Ordinances as Introduced by Messrs. Keller, Paine and A. L. Lewis.

The common council last night spent nearly four hours in consideration of the ordinance awarding a franchise to the West End Street Railway company, which differs from the other franchise ordinances only as to route.

Amendments limiting the franchise to forty years and providing for a reversion to the city at the expiration of that time; compelling the company to pave for three feet on each side of its tracks; making its gross receipts five per cent; and providing for a payment of \$12,000 for the franchise were lost. Amendments providing for three-cent fares during rush hours, and providing for compulsory arbitration in the settlement of labor disputes were adopted. Numerous other resolutions of less importance were introduced and either lost or carried.

Vigorous opposition to the passage of the ordinance without the insertion of restrictive clauses and to the alleged effort to railroad it through councils was displayed by Luther Keller, H. E. Paine, O. B. Partridge and A. L. Lewis. These members kept continually hammering away all night for more time to consider the ordinance, but the other side kept voting down the motions to adjourn, which were made at regular intervals of about fifteen minutes. Finally, just before the hour of midnight, the opposition made a last stand and succeeded in securing an adjournment before the measure had passed second reading.

REPORTED FAVORABLY.

The three ordinances were reported favorably by the railways committee without amendment or alteration, and the West End ordinance was called up first by E. E. Robathan. The measure was passed on first reading, but when the motion was made to pass it on second reading, it was defeated on either side. It is reported that the measure was so successful that the company will complete the construction of the road in the time required by law placed absolutely no time limit upon the construction at all, because the time limit fixed by law is seven years, and at the end of that time the state legislature can secure a new law from the state legislature extending this time for another seven years. He favored placing the time limit at two years. These changes would not harm the company, and would be of incalculable benefit to the citizens of the city.

LOW-PRICED TICKETS.

The second amendment provided that the company should issue coupon books containing 10 tickets, the same to be sold at a price not less than \$2, and such tickets to be good between the hours of 6 a. m. and 5 p. m. This amendment was given to Mr. Robathan to introduce by President Calpin. It was unanimously adopted.

Free—A Work of Art.

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MOTION WAS DEFEATED.

A motion to postpone action until the next meeting was made by Mr. Keller and defeated. The vote on this motion was practically the vote, with very few changes, on every one of the more important parts of the amendments which were adopted. It was as follows:

YEAS:—Albright, Stowden, Castelle, Spring, McGreevy, Partridge, Paine, Nagels, Harvey, Skyles, Keller, Ship, Bush, Geat, Tho. Jr., Sayre, Clark, Thomas, J. A. Evans, Baggott, W. W. Evans, E. W. Evans, Robathan, Jones, Riano, Beebe, Phillips, Gubin, Gurnell, Lewis, Coleman, Rosar, Oudek, Conklin, Sartor, Calpin.

The second amendment provided that no double track, switch or turnout should be laid on a street less than twenty-five feet in width. This was carried without opposition.

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The programme was an artistic success. Bauer's orchestra gave the opening number, "Die Schone Galathee," with a spirit and brilliance which was the keynote of the evening. The beautiful sextette from "Linda di Lammo" was sung by the young people who made that a most popular selection at the opera carnival. They were Mrs. James Gardner Sanders, Misses Black and Garagan, Messrs. Bunnell, Thomas Hall, Williams and Wentzel. Mr. Ralph Dwight Williams gave three lovely little songs, the climax of which was Richard Burmeister's waltz, wistfully setting to Omar Khayyam's "A book of verses underneath the bough, A jug of wine, a loaf of bread, and thou Beside me singing in the wilderness—Ah! Wilderness were Paradise now."

No number was sung with more perfection than the "Quintet Home," by Miss Black and Miss Garagan. Miss Black's upper register was effectively recognized at this point, and it is growing to be realized that there are few contralto singers with such a superb quality of voice as that which Miss Garagan possesses. This was singularly well shown in the "Stabat Mater."

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