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BOWLING.

Charles A. Moore, whose picture is herewith presented, is one of the most popular bowlers in the city. During the first series of games he rolled with the Scranton Bicycle Club team, but he has become a member of the Bucks five



CHARLES A. MOORE. Member of the Bucks Bowling Club.

for the second series. Mr. Moore is a good steady bowler and was one of the high average men at the end of the first series. He is one of Scranton's most talented musicians and plays the violin in Bauer's orchestra.

A new six-club bowling league has been formed, to be known as the City Bowling League, and play will be commenced next week, according to a schedule to be presented at a meeting of representatives from the several teams to be held tomorrow afternoon. The clubs to be comprised in the new league will be the Wide-Awakes and the Centrals, from Hanne's new alleys; the Scranton Bowling Club and the South Sides, from Zuelger's alleys on Pittston avenue; the Franklins, from the Elks' alleys, and the Young Stars, from the Bucks alleys.

The teams will bowl one night each week, probably Friday, for a suitable trophy, to be purchased later. It must be understood that there are dozens of other good bowlers in the city besides the players on the teams represented in the Northeastern Pennsylvania Bowling League, and it is not too much to expect that the teams in the new league will make just as creditable a showing as the clubs in the older league.

C. J. Burcher will captain the Franklins, and Meister, the old Bucks player, will have charge of the South Side team. Frank Roll and Milton O'Connell will captain the Wide-Awakes and Central teams from the Hamme alleys. The leaders of the other teams have not yet been selected. The make-up of the Wide-Awakes and Central teams will be as follows:

Wide-Awakes—Frank Roll, Ray Roth- ernal, William Bresser, George Koch and Henry Wenzel. Central—Milton O'Connell, Robert Marshall, Robert Wharton, Oscar Jones and Frank Coffin.

It is not generally known that Billy Hopkins, of the Bucks team, captured the twenty-third individual prize at the recent national bowling tournament in Buffalo out of a field of over 300 bowlers. He made a total of 275, his three games being 196, 222 and 183, respectively, with the exceedingly respectable average of 192 2-3. He was tied for twenty-third place with a bowler from Erie, but won out finally. He got a badge and a \$10 gold piece, which was not at all so bad for a bowler whose great specialty is not big scores for one, two or three games, but rather the maintenance of a score considerably over the average for an entire season. It is worthy bowler like Hopkins that count in league work, but it doesn't

show up so remarkably well in individual contests.

The task of reorganizing the Bicycle Club's league will be taken up next week by the bowlers who are taking an active interest in this work, and it is believed that games will again be resumed before the end of next week. There are numbers of promising young bowlers in every one of the local clubs who have been unable to secure places in the first teams and who are anxious to actively take up the game. It is for their sake that the league will be reorganized.

The two new alleys which have been constructed in the Auditorium building, in North Scranton, will be opened to-night with a game between the Green Ridge Wheelmen's team and the old Black Diamonds. The alleys are modern in every respect and fill a long-felt want in that part of the city.

Miss Myrtle Bayley won the bowling ball offered by C. S. Seaman for the best score for twenty games made by a lady on the Green Ridge Wheelmen's alleys. Mrs. George Berlinghoff made the second highest score.

STALWARTS IN CONTROL.

Insurgents Were Outnumbered at Meeting of Strikers—Men Who Signed Call to Be Censured.

The meeting of street car strikers, called for last night by ten members of Division No. 168, who are in sympathy with the five men recently suspended, was conducted in Industrial hall, but it was not held along entirely different lines than its originators imagined it would be.

About fifteen of the "insurgents" gathered together at the appointed hour and were waiting for a few more to appear, when about thirty-five of the "stalwarts," headed by President P. J. Shea, came in and proceeded to organize the meeting by electing P. M. Messet as chairman, despite the protests of the "insurgents," who were hopelessly in the minority. A resolution recommending that the ten members who called the meeting be censured at the next meeting of the union was introduced and passed, only the insurgents voting against it. After a deal of wrangling the meeting was finally adjourned without any ways or means for the settlement of the strike having been discussed.

The insurgents claim that they tried to have the letters which passed between General Manager Stillman and the executive committee, prior to the strike, read at the meeting, but that the chairman refused to allow this to be done.

ARRIVAL OF PADEREWSKI.

Had an Exciting Experience on the Way Over.

The following from New York Journal is of particular local interest, because of the fact that Scrantonians are to hear the great Paderewski Monday, February 24: "The only Paderewski is with us again. He came on the Oceanic yesterday, looking a little stouter, a little younger, and altogether well composed for a man who has been pinned down and held prisoner in bed by a runaway piano in mid-ocean.

"With him this time was Mme. Ignace J. Paderewski, born Helene, Baroness of Rosen. The tempestuous voyage was a trial for both, but meeting old friends, and the change from gusty shipboard to hotel comfort, were for both recuperation and inspiration. "The instrument that had made Paderewski rich and famous came near being his undoing on the trip. There was an upright piano in the great pianist's cabin de luxe that exploded in its fastenings during heavy weather, and on Friday morning, as a particularly heavy swell threw the Oceanic over to starboard, the instrument lurched and fell over on him as he lay asleep. The Pole of Poles awoke to find that the keyboard of the piano pinioned him. The great pianist went to sleep again. At 9 o'clock his servant came, pulled the upright grand back onto its foundations and released his master. "Paderewski's concert tour begins with a recital at Carnegie Hall on Saturday afternoon, February 15."

EUCHE AND DANCE.

Held Last Night at the Hotel Holland on Adams Avenue.

An enjoyable euchre and dance was held at Hotel Holland last night. The interior was prettily decorated, and the guests were served with a collation. The ladies' prizes were won by Mrs. O. S. Bloss, Miss Mary Liddle and Mrs. W. C. Roberts. W. G. Liddle won the first gentleman's prize, and Harry J. Johnson the second.

Miss May Bedford, Miss Mary Liddle, Mrs. O. S. Bloss, Mrs. J. W. B. Coleman, Mrs. W. G. Liddle, Mrs. E. Saunders, Mrs. E. E. Thomas, Mrs. Dr. Louis Frey, Mrs. Levee Thompson, Mrs. Fred Williams, Mrs. A. E. Walter, Mrs. Carl S. Barrett, Mrs. Dr. W. C. Roberts, Mrs. G. F. Huggins, Mrs. John Moffit, Mrs. W. K. Linstrom, Mrs. G. Hartwell, Miss Jennie Ohtman, Miss Murphy.

MAY BE A NEW CASE.

It Is Believed That Mrs. Alspaugh Is Suffering from Small-pox.

There were no new cases of small-pox reported yesterday, but the home of Mrs. William Alspaugh, on North Bromley avenue, was placed under partial quarantine because it is believed that she is suffering from the first symptoms of the disease, though it will be impossible to tell anything definite until today.

Mrs. Alspaugh visited the Brace home during the fatal illness of Mrs. Brace, and was taken sick a few days ago. Here is a possibility that the quarantine on the Brace house may be raised today, because neither Mr. Brace nor Mrs. Lewis have manifested any symptoms of the disease.

All of the small-pox patients are doing well, with the exception of W. J. Morgan, whose condition was reported to be rather weak last night.

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RECORDER WILL TAKE AN APPEAL.

DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTOR CASE IS TO GO UP.

Various Contentions Made as to the Effect of Judge Edwards' Decision on the Present Contentions—Mr. Jenkins Claims He Is Still the Delinquent Tax Collector as He Was Never Specifically Removed—Others Hold Treasurer Robinson's Appointment Was Sufficient.

Recorder W. L. Connell announced yesterday afternoon that he has directed Attorney H. C. Reynolds to appeal from the decision of Judge Edwards in the delinquent tax collector case. At the same time G. W. Jenkins was in the municipal building announcing to his friends that he is still the tax collector under the judge's ruling.

The decision of the court in this case was the one topic of conversation yesterday among those interested in municipal matters, and many and varied were the interpretations given expression to, as to its effect on existing conditions.

By many it is contended that the decision implies that Mr. Jenkins is tax collector at the present time and entitled to compensation from April 1, last, up to the present time, despite the fact that City Treasurer Robinson has been acting as collector of delinquent taxes since July 8. If this is a proper contention, it means that the city has had two tax collectors for the last seven months, both entitled to compensation.

There are others who contend that Mr. Jenkins ceased to be delinquent tax collector on July 8, when Recorder Connell, exercising the power conferred on him by the reorganization ordinance, appointed the city treasurer to the place. It is held that this appointment effected, to all practical intents and purposes, the removal of Jenkins and that under the ruling of the court he could not be entitled to compensation after that date.

JENKINS' CLAIM.

Mr. Jenkins, when seen yesterday afternoon by a Tribune reporter, stated freely that he interprets the opinion to mean that he is now delinquent tax collector.

"I maintain," said he, "that under Judge Edwards' ruling I am now the delinquent tax collector of the city of Scranton, and that the city treasurer has no right under the law to exercise the duties of that office. The judge decides that I was tax collector up to the date on which I sued, allowing me compensation up to that time. If I held the office legally on that date, I hold it legally today, because nothing has since transpired to relieve me from the office. I have not been specifically removed by the recorder and until I am, I hold that I am still collector and entitled to compensation."

When asked if he intended to make a demand for the delinquent tax records, Mr. Jenkins replied that he had reached no determination on this point and would not until he has consulted with his attorney. Shortly after his appointment he made a demand upon the city treasurer for the books and the latter official ignored it.

Recorder Connell stated that he had directed H. C. Reynolds, who represented the city's interests in the case before, to appeal the case to the Superior court.

EXCEPTIONS TO BE TAKEN.

Exceptions will be taken by the city to a number of the rulings of the court, but perhaps the most important point that will be raised will be one which was outlined in the case-stated and developed in the argument of the case, but which is not considered in the opinion.

Section 1 of Article V of the new charter reads as follows: "The collector of delinquent taxes shall be the head of the department of delinquent taxes, and all laws and ordinances in force prior to the passage of the act, relative to said office and collection of delinquent taxes, shall be and remain in full force."

It will be contended that this section preserved the Act of 1878, relative to the selection of a delinquent tax collector until such time as the "charter" was passed—June 29, 1901—giving the recorder the absolute power of appointing this official. The Act of 1878 provided for the election of a delinquent tax collector by council.

It will be contended that this act was in force in this city at the time of the passage of the reorganization ordinance, in which provision was made for the combining of the offices of city treasurer and delinquent tax collector.

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It will be held that this combination of the two offices by councils was practically the election of the city treasurer as tax collector and that for this reason Jenkins, appointed by Recorder Moir, had no legal claim to the office at all.

It is understood that Mr. Jenkins himself is not at all satisfied with that part of the opinion which allows him judgment for \$22.50, or a commission on the amount of taxes collected, instead of \$1,250, or a proportionate share of the maximum salary of \$5,000 fixed by the law, and there is a possibility that he may do a little appealing on his own account from this particular ruling.

It was held by many at the time of the passage of the reorganization ordinance that it was not legal to provide a commission for the delinquent tax collector when the new charter specifically provided that all heads of departments should receive fixed salaries. It was argued that a commission was not a fixed salary, but councils slammed the ordinance through without altering this part of it.

MR. STEVENS' PROMOTION.

Will Become Press Agent for Reels Theatres at Syracuse.

Probably no young man in the theatrical business has made more rapid progress up the ladder than Charles B. Stevens, who for the greater part of the present season has been an assistant to Mr. Duffy, manager of the Reels circuit houses in this city. During the



CHARLES B. STEVENS.

period that he has had charge of the box office of the Academy, Mr. Stevens has proved thoroughly competent, and has made many warm friends among the regular patrons of the house. The services of Mr. Stevens have been recognized by deserved promotion, and he will leave on Monday for Syracuse, where he will act as press agent for the Reels theatres under management of John L. Kerr.

Mr. Stevens is probably best known to the readers of The Tribune as author of a series of humorous articles which appeared in its columns some time ago over the signature of "A Kidder." He has also been a frequent contributor to Puck, Judge and other comic papers. He is a writer of originality and versatility, and will undoubtedly prove in his advanced position one of the most valued of the city's men connected with the Reels enterprises.

DUNMORE CARRIERS.

Names of Those Who Are to Extend the Free Delivery to the Neighboring Borough.

The letter carriers assigned to duty at the new sub-station in Dunmore are Joseph Piliann, George W. Pyschke, Michael Spellman and John R. Jones. The first two named have been doing duty in Green Ridge, and the last two named are new men recently appointed. The transfer was made last night, and becomes effective today. Miss Bishop, daughter of the superintendent, will serve in the office as clerk.

A HAPPY DENUCEMENT.

Assault and Battery Case Culminated in a Wedding.

An amusing event occurred in Alderman Ruddy's court yesterday afternoon, which ended happily for all concerned.

Bonfate Poterano, a buxom daughter of Italy, caused a warrant to be issued for the arrest of her brother, Joseph Poterano, whom she charged with assault and battery.

Bonfate resides in Petersburg and when she went to Joseph's home to persuade their sister Grazia to forsake the residents of Raymond court, and go to the classic suburb in Little England, she was met by Joseph, strenuously objected, and assaulted the fair Grazia.

At this stage of the proceedings Grazia forswore her allegiance to Valentine Di Pasquillo, who was her sweetheart, and married with Joseph Poterano. When the latter was arraigned before Alderman Ruddy to answer the charge of assault and battery, a compromise was effected.

Grazia wanted to remain with Joseph and in order to live with him, agreed to marry Di Pasquillo. A marriage license was procured, and the nuptial knot was tied by the alderman.

The brother and sister who were previously at loggerheads over the girl, acted as groomsmen and bridesmaids, and the party thus settled their differences and went their way rejoicing.

The alderman dismissed the assault and battery case, upon payment of the costs by the defendant.

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WANTED WIFE TO DIE, TOO

DAVID A. WILLIAMS SHOT HIMSELF WHEN SHE REFUSED.

He Had Been a Periodical Drinker for Some Time, and When His Wife Refused to Give Him Money He Threatened Her Life—She Fleed from the House and Then He Turned the Revolver Against His Own Head—Was Employed by Contractor E. S. Williams.

David A. Williams, aged 43 years, a stationary engineer in the employ of his cousin, Contractor E. S. Williams, on the new Young Men's Christian association building, shot and killed himself at his home, 417 Sixth street, at noon yesterday, and but for her alibi, his wife also would probably have been shot.

During the past two weeks Williams had neglected his work, and daily frequented the saloons, becoming melancholy when his money gave out, and because his wife would not yield to him her savings, he threatened to end her life, and also decided to kill her.

The woman lived in daily fear of him, yet tried, in her humble way, to dissuade her husband from such a thought, only to be rebuked by him. On Tuesday last, he proposed to his wife that she go into their sleeping apartment and end their earthly career together, but she refused to take such a rash step.

Williams left the house early yesterday morning, returning several times, and each time showed evidence of having been drinking. He demanded money from his wife to buy more drink, but she refused him, and pleaded with him to brace up and be a man again.

Suddenly Mrs. Williams heard her husband remark to their dog, "I wouldn't hurt you old dog, would I," and then he advanced toward her at the machine, where she was sewing, and remarked, "Well, I guess we'll both die together." He then threw off his coat and drew a new .38-calibre Smith & Wesson revolver from his pocket.

The woman ran screaming from the room, and out onto the back porch, where she fell in a swoon. The next minute the report of a pistol shot was heard by the neighbors, who were attracted by the woman's cries. Mrs. Williams was assisted into an adjoining house, and G. W. Medler, a neighbor, entered the Williams home.

He found Williams lying on the floor, with his head in a pool of blood and a bullet wound in his right ear. As Medler reached the victim's side, he moaned, "Good-bye," and died a few minutes later. The revolver had dropped from his hand, and lay on the floor near the body.

A message was immediately sent to police headquarters, and Patrolmen Parry, Joller and Bradshaw responded. Coroner Salfy was also summoned, and also Funeral Director A. R. Raub. A jury was empaneled, and an inquest held and a verdict rendered to the effect that Williams shot and killed himself, while crazed with drink.

Decased is survived by his wife and several relatives, who reside in Stroudsburg, where Williams lived prior to coming to Scranton, nine years ago. He was a member of the Fort Penn Post of Odd Fellows and the Red Men of Stroudsburg.

WILL GO ON A LONG CRUISE.

Local People Who Will Accompany the Clark Excursion.

Among those from Scranton and vicinity who will accompany the Clark excursion on the Celtic to the Mediterranean and the Orient are Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus D. Jones, Miss Helen F. Jones, Fred B. Jones, Miss Grace A. Norton, Mrs. James G. Shepherd, of Scranton; Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Harshaw, D. D., of West Pittston; Mrs. W. R. Moffet, of Wilkes-Barre; Rev. P. J. McHale, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. William L. Watson, of Pittston.

They leave New York Saturday, February 8, and will return Tuesday, April 22. The itinerary contemplates 13,425 miles travel by water and 624 miles by railroad.

SCRANTON BUSINESS COLLEGE.

New Telephone—862. Record for the week: MONDAY—Miss Annie Corcoran went to work for Attorney Pitcher. A request for young man bookkeeper. TUESDAY—Request for a lady bookkeeper and stenographer on the Celtic to the Mediterranean and the Orient are Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus D. Jones, Miss Helen F. Jones, Fred B. Jones, Miss Grace A. Norton, Mrs. James G. Shepherd, of Scranton; Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Harshaw, D. D., of West Pittston; Mrs. W. R. Moffet, of Wilkes-Barre; Rev. P. J. McHale, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. William L. Watson, of Pittston.

THURSDAY—Honor Hand accepted a position with R. E. Prendergast. Request for a lady bookkeeper. A corporation asks for young man bookkeeper.

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MUSICAL GOSSIP.

Padrewski, who arrived in America Thursday afternoon, came principally to conduct the rehearsals of his new opera, "Marru," which will be rendered by Gira's artists. He will appear in a few concerts before returning to Europe, however.

Miss Mary Einstead, of New York, a gifted pianist who has recently returned from abroad, will give a recital at the Bicycle club house on Wednesday evening, Feb. 12. She will be assisted by Mr. Evan Williams, the well known baritone.

Joseph Hart's new song, "The Country Club," which was in course of rehearsal while the "Pony Grandpa" troupe was in this city, has made a great hit in Boston. It is the best produced since the presentation of "Tell Me Pretty Maiden," and will undoubtedly become a successful rival to the dainty composition, which made "Pondora" famous.

Malcolm Douglas, well known in Scranton as composer of the local movement "The Breweries" extravaganza, now has charge of the "Sleeping Beauty and the Rose" spectacle, which is having a phenomenal run in New York.

The following musical selections will be used at tomorrow's services in the Second Presbyterian church:

- MORNING. Organ Prelude—Andante. Warbler Anthem—"The Hymn of Praise." Quartet—"An Chorale." Offertory—"Duet." "Harpier and Heaver of Prayer." Misses Black and Garagan. Organ Postlude. EVENING. Organ Prelude—Pastorale. Soloists—Belmonts Anthem—"Glorious and Brightness in the Lord." Quartet—"Glorious and Brightness in the Lord." Quartet and Choir. Offertory—"Quartet." "Christian, the Morn' Breaks O'er Thee." Misses Black and Garagan. Organ Postlude. J. M. Chance, organist and director.

A chorus choir has been organized in West Scranton for the purpose of competing at the choroidal to be held in the annex on May 25. Prof. Lewis Davis was elected conductor. The new choir will have their first rehearsal tomorrow evening in the Jackson Street Baptist church. They will be made up of excellent singers from throughout the United States competing here on this occasion, and some very fine voices will be heard.

It is said that the only glee parties who will compete on the "Pilgrim's Chorus" at the Allentown choroidal, on March 17, are the Octagon Glee club, of West Scranton; North End Glee club, and the Dr. Mason Glee club, of Wilkes-Barre. It is said that the Shilington Glee party is not going to compete.

The male quartette of the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church, on the West Side, is composed of well balanced voices and their singing is much appreciated. The quartette comprises the following: Thomas Adams, first tenor; W. W. Jones, second tenor; Harry Wright, first bass; Harry Acker, second bass.

Prof. Harry Jones, now of New York, spent several days in the city. Mr. Jones possesses an excellent baritone voice that has few equals, it is gratifying to learn that he is doing well in New York.

The Allentown choroidal, on March 17, and the great national choroidal, to be held in this city on Memorial Day next, are the musical affairs being looked forward to with great interest by vocalists in Scranton and surrounding towns.

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