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CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCES

Festivals Held in Many of the Local Churches.

Many of the churches were the scenes of festivities last evening when the children of the Sunday schools held entertainments and received their presents. Among them was the Presbyterian church. A very interesting program was offered and was participated in by George Watson, Ida Dunto, Veronic Steeley, Blanche Schoppe, Margaret Beddall, Roy Erwin, William Kinkaid, F. Klein, Maud Schoppe, Homer Straub, Annie Conway, Bessie Ellis and Ellen Wyatt. The pastor, Rev. T. Maxwell Morrison, and the choir assisted the children.

There was a very enjoyable event at the Calvary Baptist church, on South Jardin street, in which singing, recitations and dialogues were given by Reese Thomas, Miss Reese and Griffiths, Robert Harris, Rachel Thomas, Ruth Powell, Misses Morgan and Reese, Maud Harris, James Miller, Bessie Jenkins, Miss Morgan and party, Gwendolyn Thomas, Gwin Harris, Robert Miller, William Jones, Gwendolyn and Lizzie Reese, William Evans, Margaret Powell, William Thomas, Kay Miller, Angie Hughes, Minnie Hoffman, William Davis and Mr. Martin and party.

The distribution of candies to the Sunday School connected with the Bethany United Evangelical church took place yesterday afternoon and the Christmas entertainment was held in the church in the evening. The exercises were rendered by Mr. Edward Rosewall, Bert Kester, Hattie Selbert, Nellie Watkins, Gertrude Conway, Edith Wood, Emma Morton, William Selzer, Esther Chadwick, Mamie Fogle, May Aker, Archie Shapbell, Emma Drumheller, Susie Hehn and parties of boys and girls. The singing by Sampson and party was a feature of the entertainment.

A very enjoyable Christmas entertainment was held last evening in the German Lutheran church on West Cherry street and the children rendered a very interesting program.

The festival in the Trinity Reformed church on West Lloyd street attracted an attendance that filled the church to its capacity. After a very pleasing program of musical selections, dialogues, recitations, etc., had been rendered there was a distribution of candies and other presents, during which the pastor, Rev. Robert O'Boyle, received a substantial purse. The presentation was made by Mr. M. H. Master.

The Christmas festivals in the Welsh Baptist and Primitive Methodist churches were held on Wednesday evening and the Sunday Schools gave entertainments. Rev. James Moore, pastor of the Primitive Methodist church, received a purse from the young people of the church during the distribution of presents.

The Methodist Episcopal church, on East Oak street, was also the scene of joyous ceremonies yesterday. At 3 p. m., there was a gathering at which the infant school received a distribution of candy and from 5.30 to 9 p. m. the main school held exercises comprising instrumental and vocal selections, recitations, quartets, duets, etc. Rev. Alfred Hoeber, the pastor, received a fob chain from his Sunday school class and a number of the teachers were kindly remembered.

The children of the Welsh Calvinistic Methodist Sunday school assembled this morning and shared in the annual distribution of candies.

At Kepchinski's Arcade Cafe. Clam soup on Monday morning.

Sages' Engagement Closed.

The engagement of the Sages, hypnotists, closed suddenly last night on account of Prof. Sage and his wife suffering from grippe. They are confined to their rooms at the Hotel Frazer. The exhibitions yesterday afternoon and last evening were given by Dr. Granville G. Grey and were very successful and highly amusing. The patronage in the evening was very good, but at no time since Monday night has the attendance been in proportion to expectations. At Hazelton the Sages were so successful that their engagement was prolonged to three weeks, and they had an excellent week at Mahanoy City about a month ago, but Shenandoah people don't seem disposed to give much to "hypn." In closing the exhibition last night Dr. Grey announced that on account of their illness Prof. Sage and wife would not appear again and the engagement would close. It is but fair to say that those who have attended the exhibitions have in no way been disappointed; but, on the contrary, have been afforded all the enjoyment they could get. The entertaining features have frequently equalled those of the best farce comedy companies that have appeared here.

Kendrick House Free Lunch. Sour kraut and fresh pork to-night.

"Y" Program.

The following program has been prepared for the meeting of the "Y" this evening: Singing; "Y" scripture reading, Mr. G. James; Christmas reading, Miss M. West; duet; Misses Davis and Richards; "How I spent Christmas." Mr. Edward Danks; remarks, Mr. A. C. Morgan; solo, Bella Brown; recitation, Emma Llewellyn; cornet solo, Nellie Beddall; remarks, L. A. Hopkins; instrumental solo, Ida Kehler; recitation, Lillie Bevan; reading, John H. Danks; duet, Misses Bevan and Wasley; critic, Harry Gable.

Large line of slippers for ladies' house wear at 39 cents.

WHITELOCK'S SHOE STORE.

Two Shots Won. Albert Eisenhart and Elmer Hinkle, of Brownsville, engaged in a pigeon shooting match yesterday on the field north of town for \$25 a side. Each shot at seven birds and Eisenhart won, killing two. Hinkle failed to score. At practice the day before both men killed six out of seven.

Bickert's Cafe. Something special will be served as free lunch to-night.

Advertised Letters. Letters addressed to the following named people remain unmailed for at the local post-office: Miss Annie Brannon, Mrs. John T. Richey, Miss Mary Griffiths, Mrs. J. E. Geesman, Albert Herman, Agold Godwin, Leo Venicker, Joseph Purcell, C. A. Slothower, Joseph Lutman.

The greatest bargains in the jewelry line at A. Holderman's.

GOOD CHANGES FOR A NEW TRIAL

Newly Discovered Evidence Alleged by Eisenhower's Counsel.

RUMORS ABOUT A SURGICAL TUBE

It is Claimed That Before John Schwindt Died a Surgical Tube Was Lost in His Body and That Caused His Death.

Theodore Eisenhower, who was convicted in the Criminal Court at Pottsville last May of the murder of John Schwindt in town last February, has a well defined ray of hope that he may yet secure his freedom, or at least avoid the gallows, and greatly reduce the degree of conviction.

It will be remembered that Eisenhower's defence on the trial of the case was threefold: First, that he was insane; second, that he had been driven insane through the attentions paid by William Schwindt, a twin brother of the murdered man, who escaped the shooting through close resemblance to the deceased; and, third, that there had been malpractice in the surgical attendance the deceased received after the wound had been received. The pleas had no weight with the jury and the accused was convicted of murder in the first degree. His counsel promptly applied for an arrest of judgment pending a motion for a new trial and for seven months Eisenhower has been awaiting the progress and result of this step.

The delay has been the subject of frequent comment and many people have quite as often ventured the opinion that it would terminate in the counsel for the accused springing a surprise. If current rumors have foundation the opinion will be confirmed when the motion for a new trial comes up for argument before Judge Savage at a special session of the court fixed for to-night.

The substance of the rumors floated is that Eisenhower's lawyers have discovered that during one of the operations or examinations of the victim before death a tube used dropped into some vacancy of the body and was not recovered until a post-mortem was held. No evidence of this, or even a hint in connection with it was brought out at the trial, so that if true that such a thing did happen there can be no doubt that Eisenhower will be granted a new trial, as the discovery comes clearly within the rule of newly discovered evidence—and very important evidence, too.

This morning Drs. J. G. Church and J. Pierce Roberts went to Pottsville to appear before an examiner appointed by the court to take testimony bearing upon the alleged discovery. It is intimated that one, if not both of the physicians can give testimony showing that a surgical tube was lost in the victim's body and the examination as to why the matter was not mentioned upon the trial will no doubt be of great interest.

Breen's Kialto Cafe Free Lunch. Bean soup to-night. Meals at all hours.

Always Unexpected.

Nicholas Plavehan, a stout-built young Slav who resides in "Bradley's Row" in the First ward, is just now receiving the congratulation of his fellow countrymen over an event that occurred in his family on Thursday afternoon, last. Nicholas' wife, too, comes in for a great deal of admiration from the fair sex in that end of town for the business-like manner in which she transacted her part in the important affair, but bears her honors with becoming matronly dignity. On Thursday afternoon she was busily engaged preparing a baking of bread which she postponed for half an hour, when she presented her husband with a pair of twin boys, and then finished her baking and has continued her household duties without any further interruptions since. Yesterday Jimmy Shields, the genial First ward boniface, proudly drove the babies with their God-parents to St. Michael's church, where they were christened by Father Lauristin. Incredible as the story appears it is well authenticated, no physician's services being needed, and the event was over before the proud father could summon any of the neighboring women, whose assistance also was unnecessary. It is also superfluous to state that mother and babes are "doing as well as can be expected," and that the event was celebrated yesterday with great eclat.

How's Your Cough? Pan-Tina cures it, 25c. At Grubler Bros. drug store.

Victim of a Train.

Some time ago Joseph Kosloaki, aged 18 years, of North Catherine street, and Terrace Michane, aged 10 years, of West Coal street, left their homes and decided to "take to the road." They tramped to the Western part of the state and on Wednesday last Kosloaki was killed between Altoona and Pittsburg while trying to get on a moving freight train. The remains arrived here on Thursday and are at the residence of the parents. Michane arrived with them. He escaped injury by the train, but his right arm is badly frozen. Both the boys suffered terribly from exposure after they got among strangers in the western part of the state.

This week we sold 33 pairs men's and boys' Snag boots. We are the leading shoe store for Snag boots; have more of them. Come and see us.

WHITELOCK'S SHOE STORE.

Notice to Red Men.

All members of Shenandoah Tribe No. 155, Improved Order of Red Men, are requested to attend a regular stated meeting in Eagan's hall on Wednesday, December 30th, at 7 p. m. Business of great importance will be transacted. By order of JAMES HERRINGTON, S. Attest:—THOS. BELLIS, C. of R. 12-26-31

Black Jack Used.

Charles Yanknalls was put under bail by Justice Cardin yesterday for striking John Bolota on the head with a black jack.

A Sure Cure for Coughs and Colds.

That's what Pan-Tina is, 35c. At Grubler Bros., drug store.

PENROSE GAINING.

The Young Philadelphian is Conceded a Winner Beyond Doubt.

The contest for United States Senator continues with unabated interest. The scene of battle will be transferred from Philadelphia to Harrisburg next week. Wanamaker headquarters will be opened in the latter city on Monday, on which day Senator Penrose will also put in an appearance. The members of the Legislature will begin to wend their ways to the state capital next week, and from that time forth the lines will be drawn. The friends of Senator Penrose were never more confident of success than they are to-day.

Senator Gubin, a supporter of the Combine, has declared against Wanamaker, while Hon. George V. Lawrence, the oldest member of the Legislature, is for Penrose. During Senator Gray's visit to Philadelphia this week he succeeded in converting two Combine members of the Legislature over to the Penrose column. This doesn't look as if the Beaver statesman had deserted Penrose.

The Wanamaker boomers are arranging for a public meeting in Philadelphia on Wednesday.

All the county officials elect in this county favor the selection of Penrose, and are advocating his cause. The Miners' Journal is authority for the statement that the Penrose petitions circulated in Pottsville alone have been signed by over 5,000 business men, tradesmen and mechanics, while the Wanamaker petitions, circulated in nine of the largest towns of the county, received less than 900 signatures up to date. One Senator and five members of the House from the Schuylkill delegation will cast their votes for Penrose, leaving only one Senator and one member of the House for Wanamaker.

Shenandoah shows up in good shape for Penrose. His candidacy has been endorsed by the members of the Borough Council, the School Board, the police department, all the borough officials, clergymen, professional men, leading business men, mechanics, tradesmen, miners and voters generally. These signatures foot up a total of about 750 voters.

Delano also comes to the front for Penrose, the next United States Senator.

The greatest bargains in the jewelry line at A. Holderman's.

MAHER DEFEATS O'DONNELL.

The Australian Completely Knocked Out in Twenty-two Seconds.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—It took just twenty seconds of time for Peter Maher, the Irish heavy-weight pugilist, to bring demonstration of his superiority in ring tactics and hard hitting qualities over Steve O'Donnell, the Australian boxer, yesterday afternoon in the arena of the Greater New York Athletic club on Coney Island. Both men were in excellent condition and trained to the hour.

From the outset Maher never left the result in doubt. He rushed at O'Donnell the moment the referee called time, and O'Donnell assumed the defensive. The big Australian led his left for Maher's body, but the Irishman blocked the blow with his right hand glove. Then Maher sent his left to the chin and swung again with his left on the face. He put O'Donnell to the floor a second later with a left on the chin, and after the Australian regained his feet Maher landed a left smash on the jaw, following it quickly with a left half hook which sent O'Donnell down in a heap.

Steve rolled over on his back in a helpless condition, and the referee slowly counted him out. The big Irishman stood about twenty feet away from his fallen opponent while the referee was counting off the seconds, and a tremendous shout went up from the 1,500 people who watched the brief encounter, and the hand played "The Wearing of the Green," in honor of the victor.

Brennan's New Restaurant. Sour kraut, baked beans and fresh pork to-night.

Struck by a Train.

A Pole named Alex. Semanis narrowly escaped being killed on the Lehigh Valley railroad in the southern part of town last evening. He was struck by a coal train and knocked down an embankment. The crew of the train picked him up and after being bathed and rubbed a few minutes Semanis recovered sufficiently to walk home without aid.

Merry Christmas to all from WHITELOCK'S SHOE STORE.

Communion Service.

Presiding Elder A. M. Strick, of Allentown, will on Sunday evening preach in the Bethany United Evangelical church, after which the Lord's Supper will be celebrated. The pastor, I. J. Beitz, will preach at the morning service on "Jesus, Our Best Friend."

A Handsome Gift.

Christmas brought many joys to Mrs. M. M. Burke, of South White street, and one in particular was a handsome upright Malcom Love piano furnished by O'Neill Bros., and which she received as a gift from her husband.

To be Arbitrated.

A rule for arbitration was filed in the Court of Common Pleas on Thursday by M. M. Burke, Esq., counsel for the plaintiff, in the election suit of Rohland against McDonald.

The Reese Funeral.

The funeral of Joseph Reese took place this afternoon from the family residence at Lost Creek. It was attended by Shenandoah Lodge No. 591, I. O. O. F., and Shenandoah Lodge No. 511, F. & A. M., of which the deceased was a member. The remains were brought to town and interred in the Odd Fellows' cemetery.

THREE FRIENDS HELD IN PO

Hilbustering Schooner Guarded by Vessels.

SHE WAS NOT IN A NAVAL

The Published Report That She on a Spanish Steamer is Actively Denied Both at Key and Havana—Alleged Spanish Victory.

Key West, Fla., Dec. 25.—News of the capture of the schooner Three Friends by a Spanish cruiser and another had disabled a Spanish vessel, who affirm that nothing had occurred, but that the schooner had been captured from whole cloth.

It is admitted that the steamer on the south side of the bay, alleged that there was no fight, and furthermore admitted that the schooner was captured by Gomez's coast guards having captured a vessel. The Three Friends is being held under the guns of the Raleigh. Lewis refuses to say anything further, save that he had been after the schooner. None of the crew would speak of the affair.

The vessel does not bear any name, and the report is doubtful. Havana advises that Gomez's coast guard has captured the schooner, in Santa Clara province, entire garrison and all their stores of fresh troops was sent yesterday from Havana to be sent to the front. Great exertions are being made to get a strong force to oppose Gomez, and three lines are being sent to get the Cubans entangled and then and crushed.

ALLEGED SPANISH VICTORY

A Battle Near Telichea, and the result "Put to Flight."

HAVANA, Dec. 25.—Major Barba, that the battalion of Cuencas, which fought near Telichea with the Spaniards under Felino, Alvarez, Barrota, Lieutenant Fraire was wounded, and afterward dispersed. Surgeons left four dead upon the battlefield, many others were wounded, and a large number of men were captured. The prisoners were taken to the city. The Spaniards captured nine Maxim rifles and Remingtons, which had been found, and nearly a hundred insurgent dead were carried to the front for identification. The Spaniards were Captain Busbido, Lieutenant Ballojos, the Spaniards killed and eight wounded.

Inquiries in official quarters, respondent of the Associated Press, a denial of the story published in the United States that the filibuster Three Friends fired upon a Spanish boat which attempted to capture running into the San Juan river its cargo of arms and munitions.

Germany Would Side with

LONDON, Dec. 25.—The Times correspondent says: "The Washington correspondent has been confidentially informed that a very friendly feeling exists between the German and European powers would not refuse should the United States encourage the Cuban insurrection, or encourage the Cuban insurrection. Information is correct and has been further given that the United States, even now, to side with the United States position officially to side with."

Was a Pioneer of Catholic

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Mrs. Dorsey, the pioneer of Catholicism in this country, died here aged 83 years. She was an old Washington and was a daughter of Rev. William McKenney, in the United States navy. She was with personal letters from the Pope, Leo, A. J. Cardinal Gibbons paid public her work and its influence in a sent her in behalf of himself a number about thirty.

Major McKinley's Christmas

CANTON, O., Dec. 25.—Heavy snow weather prevailed in Canton, and Major McKinley and his family held the most of the day. The greater part of the day was spent in a double seated sleigh with them on their little various members of the family household, where mother, Mr. McKinley, Mrs. Helen, and their modest little home the president his Christmas turkey.

Shot in Mistake for The

COURTESY, Pa., Dec. 25.—Thomas and his son Edward, of Cuba, this county, were shot by what they believed were their own house. Both went out with the boy and two men near the house without any question, and found that the men were two by the name of Briggs, who were the home of the Thomas family, and will probably die.

Your picture taken for 5c, day

10 South Main street.

Masonic Divine Service

It is the custom of the Masonic church selected by Shenandoah Lodge No. 511, F. & A. M., to attend a service at 8 o'clock on Sunday morning, Dec. 28th, at the church, less to a

