

## 1000 AT 58TH ANNUAL BALL OF PROTECTION ENGINE CO. NO. 3

### Concert Numbers Make Big Hit--Most Successful Affair Ever Held in Armory.

W. WOOD IS CHAIRMAN; GROSS RECEIPTS AMOUNT TO \$600--  
PARADE CANCELLED BECAUSE OF RAIN--HISTORY OF  
COMPANY.

A thousand people attended the fifty-eighth annual reception, concert and ball of Protection Engine Company No. 3, at the Park Place Armory, Honesdale, last Friday evening.

The anniversary entertainment was held open at twenty-five minutes after eight o'clock by the President of Protection Engine Company No. 3, W. W. Wood, who acted as chairman of the evening, and declared the address of welcome. He had among other things:

"Friends, in the absence of our annual Burgess, who is detained by illness, and unable to be present this evening, it becomes my pleasant duty to bid you welcome. It is a source of great gratification to me to see so many present as it is an evidence of your appreciation of the services of your fire department.

"Once during the year Protection Engine Company No. 3 sends out a general alarm or call for help, and that appeal is nobly responded to as the company does when a fire alarm is sent out.

"After nearly forty years' association with different fire companies, I am at liberty to say that the men who stand ready to answer the call of fire are the warmest-hearted men in existence.

"If their deeds were exhibited on a field of battle they would be called heroes. Protection Engine Company No. 3, Hose Company No. 4, Alerts No. 2, Texas No. 4 and the Plymouth Fire company are proud to show you appreciate their services."

The Kid Orchestra opened the concert program with a musical selection, and responded with an encore of the tumultuous applause which greeted their efforts.

The big hits of the evening were the singing of Miss Rose Donnelly, Miss Archer, Miss Jane Hagaman, Miss Charlesworth was the biggest laugh-manufacturer in the concert, and kept the audience in an roar by his antics as a colored k-in-the-box. Miss Elsie Jacobs surprised the audience with her knowledge of musical technique.

Joseph Jacob's recitation, "The Sonnet's Plea," was rendered in a manner that captured the approval and applause which followed would have gladdened the heart of the most susceptible old stager.

All the numbers were encored enthusiastically and the affair was a musical triumph from start to finish. The Kid Orchestra and Sonnet's recitation were enthusiastically encored.

Kevin O'Brien directed the Kid Orchestra, whose members included Heumann, piano; Otto Heumann, violin; Raymond Faatz, cornet; Harold Mullaney, clarinet; Raymond Short, flute; Robt. L. Dor-trap drums.

Chairman Wood called on the members to voice their thanks for the concert part of the ball, which he held a pleasurable success. The concert was carried with a might and main "Aye."

but three remain, Messrs. E. A. Penniman, H. J. Conger and George Foster, only one of whom, Mr. Penniman, was present at Friday night's ball. Mr. Penniman, by the way, has the proud distinction of missing very few social functions given under the auspices of Protection Number 3.

Protection Engine Company had a humble origin. The first meeting was held in a haymow of Dr. Consider's barn on Eleventh street, where the present High school building now stands.

The first equipment that the company had comprised two pumps given to them by the Rev. Abel Barker, a Methodist clergyman who was located here, and who was formerly engaged in the book and stationery business under the firm name of Barker & Delezenne.

There was no suction to the engines, and the boxes had to be filled up with pails and pumped out again. That was the way the apparatus was worked at the fires. And yet they could throw water up over the Presbyterian steeple. It required a short, sharp stroke to operate the mechanism. No one could stand it for more than two or three minutes at a time.

The fire laddies in the early days wore a natty uniform consisting of a red coat, with red velvet-trimmings. A large figure three was embroidered on the jacket, and the whole was set off with a zouave cap.

The A. M. Atkinson steamer was purchased March 25, 1875, following the big fire of January 8, 1875, which began in the Throop building, Main street, where Doctor Brown's dental office is now located, and burned fifteen buildings, affecting twenty firms or individuals, and causing a property loss of \$200,000.

The steamer, with a two-wheel truck, cost \$4,700. The first fire that the A. M. Atkinson was in action occurred April 10, 1875.

The Lintel steamer was bought in Towanda. It was afterwards renamed the R. W. Ham. It was a Sissy patent steamer, and cost \$1500 with a four-wheel hose cart and fuel cart. It arrived in Honesdale Dec. 2, 1880, and cost originally \$5,000.

William Muir acted as engineer of the A. M. Atkinson, and John M. Lyons and Andrew J. Carroll were the assistants. Once stationed near the canal basin, at the foot of old Number 13 plane with a 1400-foot length of hose attached, it threw a stream over the smoke stack still standing at the head of the plane, the stack being 60 feet high, and the head of the plane some 225 feet above the basin, making the entire elevation 285 feet.

The first meeting of the Honesdale Fire Department was held in the present firemen's hall July 11, 1855.

The 'Atkinson' steamer was purchased February, 1875," according to J. M. Lyons, who has been chief engineer of the Honesdale Fire Department ever since he came to the Maple City in March, 1875.

"The 'R. W. Ham' steamer," he continued, "was purchased, second, in 1884, in Towanda. After the big fire of 1875, which started in Katz's store, which was then a small establishment located about where the Dime Bank now is. It was along in February on a very cold, stormy night. It burned that block completely taking in the Commercial Hotel then known as the Coyne House.

"The fire company then had nothing but hand engines, and depended on pumping water from the canal. The fire got to the Coyne before they got a drop on the fire. The canal had been closed, and the gates were down, and they had to cut the ice from around the gates to raise it. It took some time for it to fill up so they could pump it.

## SAYS HUSBAND DESERTED HER

### 24-Year-Old Mrs. Gaffney Gets Warrant

HER SEVEN YEARS OF MARRIED  
LIFE HAVE BEEN FULL OF  
TROUBLE.

Frank Gaffney, aged 27, 106 Fifth street, an Erie Railroad section hand, deserted his wife and two small children Saturday night, Sept. 29, after, it is said, squandering in drink and riotous living all his wife's money.

Had it not been for the charity of kind neighbors who sent them in things to eat, and for the liberality of St. John's R. C. church, which donated them a ton of coal, Mrs. Gaffney and her two small boys, Francis, aged 3, and James, aged 4, would have fared badly.

It was a pitiful story that the deserted wife told a reporter last Friday morning. Mrs. Gaffney is a young woman only twenty-four years old, but her seven years of married life have been full of trouble.

"I met him at a ball one night. I went with him for quite a while. I always found he had a good reputation. He made big wages. I used to work in a factory. My father kept a livery stable. We lived in Port Richmond, Staten Island.

"I never knew he drank until we were married six months, and then he started. We often used to have words all through his drink. He'd have his money spent in a saloon before he came home. My people were always helping us. He always claimed I was jealous of him.

"We used to live in Port Richmond where he worked in Burley's ship yard. He deserted me in the middle of the night. He wrote me if I came to Honesdale he'd do all right. So I came here last March. I sold my home down there. He spent every cent I had. He went around sporting. I heard he used to hire rigs and go around every day sporting.

"He used to tell me he was looking for work and at the same time he was drinking. He used to be away for weeks.

He was working on the Erie Railroad. He earned \$10.50 a week. He only worked six weeks. I was in the hospital seven weeks. I was in poor health. Only two months ago I was operated on in the State Hospital, Scranton. He deserted the children while I was in the hospital so I had to come home.

"He took the pledge for a year before coming here, and promised me he was going to do all right. He came home Saturday night two weeks ago. He has two weeks' pay coming to him, but the check is made out in his name so I can't get it.

"He's crazy about the children. That night he went he bought home a bag of candy for the children. A man came in that night and said he was going to have Spencer after him for something he did. It was about eight o'clock. When he came, my husband ran out.

"I have a warrant out for him for desertion. He has a brother in an insane asylum. I don't think he is really right in the head. He always goes away without any reason. I heard he was in Long Island. I was told he went down to work on a steamboat. Five of his uncles are on canal boats. When he was away seven months before he was on a canal boat.

"He has two or three different kinds of work he can do. He can drive rivets, chip iron, and he has an application in for the Brooklyn Navy Yard. He used to work for the Wells Fargo Express Co. in New York before the strike, when he was away in August and came back in March.

"I was told he changed his name that time. He had a job as janitor at a place in New York, where he was called Frank Cavanaugh. He took a D. & H. train to Scranton when he left here.

## DENVER PREACHER DISCOURSES HERE

### Dr. E. M. Stephenson Ad- dresses the Baptist Church

THEME "CHILD CULTURE";  
GIVES TWO TALKS IN HAW-  
LEY.

Dr. E. M. Stephenson, of Denver, who is interested in young people and Sunday school work, gave a very instructive address in the Honesdale Baptist church last Sabbath morning. Dr. Stephenson's theme was "Child Culture."

This is a parable of the cornstalk and illustrates the growth and development of the child on the laws laid down by Christ; first the blade, then the ear, and after that the full corn in the ear. Mr. Stephenson has given this lecture in more than half the states in the Union and is called for more than any lecture he delivers.

Dr. Stephenson held two different meetings in Hawley. He presided over a union meeting at 3 o'clock that afternoon, his topic being "How to Make a Good Bible School Better." The following good thoughts were gleaned from the meeting:

"Improve its organization by the application of the two self-regulating principles of completeness and simplicity.

"Improve its atmosphere by giving it a business air, more intellectual light, deeper moral earnestness, more spiritual warmth and glow.

"Improve its teaching force by teacher's conferences, by special reading and study of the best professional books and frequent lectures from those who know how to teach and to teach teachers how to teach.

"Improve the course of study by the introduction of the new-graded lessons and by training the teachers in the use of these new lessons.

"Get into the schools a larger percentage of the members of the churches, put into the work time, more thought, more skill, more money and more prayer."

At a union meeting at 7:30 in the evening Dr. Stephenson talked upon "Factors in Religious Education." Among other things the speaker said:

"The Home is the first great force for righteousness. Judge Tut-hill of Chicago, the founder of Juvenile Courts in America, said that ninety-five per cent. of those who appeared in his court were there for want of the proper home influences.

"No community rises above the moral and spiritual level of its homes. No church is any wise better than the homes represented in its membership.

"The Church is another factor in the forces of good. The home should be linked up with the church in the religious development of the children and youth of the community. The child should learn to live the Christian life in the home first and then in the larger social group of the church, in Bible school, Young People's society and in the preaching services.

"The public school is a powerful factor in the lives of children and youth, and is nowadays far more the handmaid of religion than in the past. All these forces together may so operate as to build up the youth of our land in righteousness, as to well-nigh guarantee their own personal choice of the highest life. And this is our duty jointly toward every boy and girl in the sphere of our influence, for when we have done our best it still remains for the individual to choose for himself that better part, the choice of which is the self-determining act of the soul."

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- REPUBLICAN TICKET.
- \* Congressman, W. D. B. AINEY.
- \* President Judge, HON. ALONZO T. SEARLE.
- \* Sheriff, THOMAS Y. BOYD.
- \* Prothonotary, WALLACE J. BARNES.
- \* Register and Recorder, W. B. LESHER.
- \* Commissioners, JOHN MALE, EARL ROCKWELL.
- \* District Attorney, M. E. SIMONS.
- \* Treasurer, W. W. WOOD.
- \* For Coroner, P. B. PETERSON.
- \* For Auditors, W. O. AVERY, LEROY GILPIN.
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## LEAVING POLITICS OUT

### Some Reasons Why the Repub- lican Ticket Ought to Carry Wayne County.

Laying politics aside for the moment and appealing to Democrats, Keystoners, Prohibitionists and Republicans alike, we ask that the voters of Wayne county consider carefully and thoughtfully the qualifications of the men whose names appear at the head of this column.

From the first name of the list to the last, you will find that the candidates offered by the Republican party for election on November 7th, make one of the strongest tickets, if not THE strongest ticket ever presented by any party in any year in the history of the county. There is not a single flaw to be found against it. Individually and collectively these men represent the very highest types of public-spirited citizenship. They are men who have lived in Wayne county pretty nearly all their lives, who know the people and their needs, and who are prepared to use every effort in their power to make the government of Wayne county efficient, economical and progressive.

Because of the remarkable qualifications of each of these candidates for the office to which he aspires, it seems to be, as someone has called it "The Logical Ticket."

There is Mr. Ainey, a brilliant and hard working lawyer, a student of men and affairs, a speaker of more than ordinary power, a man who has always been identified with the higher ethical and religious movements of the age; a man who stands strong and firm on all moral lines. In politics a Republican, but one who has never hesitated to raise a warning voice against wrong or errors even at the risk of personal popularity. Withal he is a man of genial parts and in friendly touch with the great mass of people by whom he is so well known and greatly esteemed.

There is the Hon. A. T. Searle. A more capable judge has never sat on the bench in the Court of Common Pleas. His record of never having had a case appealed of any that he has decided is but one out of many reasons why the voters of Wayne county, no matter of what their political affiliations, know that he is the right man in the right place and are going to vote to keep him there.

There is Thomas Y. Boyd, born and reared in Damascus township, who has never held a public office of any kind and who will make a Sheriff that this county can be proud of.

There is Wallace J. Barnes, broad-minded, experienced and well-known throughout the entire county as a man eminently qualified to take up the duties of Prothonotary and give as fine an administration of that office as the able and popular Mr. Michael J. Hanlan has given.

There is W. B. Lesher, who has made a record as a County Auditor for accurate and conscientious work that leaves no doubt as to his ability to handle the office of Register and Recorder in a manner to do justice to himself and the county.

There is W. W. Wood, a Civil war veteran whose training has been such in financial matters, that no other recommendation should be needed. Mr. Wood has handled over \$1,500,000 in one business alone and every penny of this gigantic sum was properly accounted for in the final audit. What better qualification could a man have to prove that the office of Treasurer is exactly suited to his ability and training?

There is Earl Rockwell, farmer, contractor and concrete builder, vocations that require just the knowledge and training that a commissioner who is to serve the best interests of the county ought to possess.

There is John Male, recognized from one end of the county to the other as a man fully equipped by reason of his training and natural ability to safeguard the interests of the taxpayers as Commissioner.

There are M. E. Simons and P. B. Peterson whose names appear also on the Democratic slate, and this fact alone proves that they are the unanimous choice of Wayne county for the offices of District Attorney and Coroner.

There are Avery and Gilpin who are well able to audit the county's accounts in an honest, efficient, and business-like manner.

Space does not permit an extended review of the many qualifications of the several Republican candidates. Enough has been said, however, to show that each man is more than well-fitted to occupy the office for which he is a candidate. Indeed, in nearly every instance, it would almost seem as if the occupations and training of each candidate so far, had been along specialized lines to fit him for the office to which he aspires.

Voters of Wayne county, if you elect the Republican ticket this year you will assure yourselves that until the next election Wayne county will receive an administration that will be honest, fearless and efficient.

"The Logical Ticket." It has indeed been well-named.

Vote for Hon. Alonzo T. Searle for President Judge.

Vote for Wallace J. Barnes for Prothonotary.

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