

AMITY MINSTRELS DRAW LARGE CROWD

A Well Rendered Program, Pleasing Electrical Effects and Witty Sayings of the Black Men Hold Attention of Audience—And the Band Played On!

The Amity club produced their minstrel show at the Lyric on Thursday evening and in every way it was a very creditable performance. Every seat in the theatre was taken and the large crowd was well pleased with the way the parts were taken. It was one of the largest crowds that the Lyric has ever held.

The electrical effects and scenery were designed and constructed under the personal supervision of Benj. H. Dittrich. The stage was very artistically decorated in the Amity colors. The Lyric orchestra was seated in the wings of the stage. The visitors were seated back of the center of the stage while the Japanese maids occupied the center of the stage, seated at tables, streamers being hung from each side to a large Japanese umbrella suspended from the top of the stage and this was studded with incandescent electric bulbs. To the back of the stage a large wheel decorated in Amity colors and also studded with electric bulbs, was hung and was kept slowly revolving. The performance began with a song, "Drifting to Old Japan," by the entire company and during the song the name of the club was suspended, letter at a time, illuminated and in the club colors. The letters when completed spelled A-M-I-T-Y. The opening chorus by the Japanese maids and tourists was well received. The Japanese maids were Miss Margaret Eberhardt, Miss Jane Hagaman, Miss Florence Eldred, Miss Eda Krantz, Miss Lucille Rowland, Miss Gertrude Krantz, Miss Mae Robinson, Miss Philippine Klein and Miss Mary Bodie. The tourists were Messrs. Summer Crossley, Ray Dibble, Louis Korb, F. A. Jenkins, Nathaniel Eggleston, Paul Sommer, Vincent Carroll, George B. Rockwell.

The trap drums were manipulated by Master Robert Dorin, and he is a wonder for his age. Young Dorin will some day be one of Honesdale's best musicians, for he is on the right track to make a great man in the musical line. Mr. M. J. Hanlan, the Admiral, gave a short address to the tourists and Japanese maids in which he portrayed his explorations in Africa. He produced his six funny sailors for a few minutes' entertainment. They were Jack Carroll, Bob Dorin, Cap. Rowland, Tom Charlesworth, Tom Kelly, Clarence Green. After the fun and laughter occasioned by the witty discourse of the sailors had subsided, Nathaniel Eggleston sang, "On the Goodwinds." This was followed by a song, "It Looks Like Something the Cat Brought In," by Jack Carroll. He was heartily applauded and encored. Tim Charlesworth next entertained the assembly with his song, "I'd Love to Lead a Military Band." The rest of the program followed, a song by Paul Sommer, "Thee's Me Now," Old and Gray Who Needs Me Now," "That Hypnotizing Man," by Rowland and Dorin was well rendered. Miss Jane Hagaman came next on the program and accompanied by the Japanese girls, she sang, "Ring Ting-a-Ling on the Telephone."

The solo, "My Old Town," given by George B. Rockwell, was a fitting climax for the first part of the program and he was heartily applauded. After a grand finale by the entire company the curtain fell on the first part.

In the second part of the program Dorin & Carroll came in for their share of the fun producing and their act, "Up Against It," showed that they possess no little ability in the art of acting. Jenkins' Boy Band rendered two selections. They wore their new sailor uniforms for the first time. The Geruellos in their thrilling comedy wire act brought the program to an end amid loud applause.

The production of the Minstrels by the Amity club reflects great credit upon them for the great success of the undertaking. Manager Dittrich of the Lyric also deserves much praise for the efficient and tasty stage decorations, scenic and electrical effects.

Manager Dittrich also deserves praise, by having the orchestra play louder and by closing the doors when the song announced a fire before the performance had closed. If the spectators had heard the alarm of fire there would, in all probability, have been a stampede for the exits, but such was not the case. A few persons however suspected what was going on, but wisely remained in their seats.

We cannot speak too highly of the manner in which the different parts were reproduced by the members of the company. The various persons did fine and displayed a talent, that in our estimation, exceeded by far traveling troupes. Miss Margaret Eberhardt is deserving of special mention. She was graceful in her manner, coquettish in her actions and pleasing in her expression. Miss Eberhardt is one of the stars of the first magnitude. An unusual amount of credit is also due J. A. Bodie, Jr., who drilled the choruses. Joe is a hustler in whatever he undertakes and the grand success of the production in a measure belongs to Mr. Bodie.

Walter Koons and Howard Owens will leave on Wednesday to spend the week-end in Freeland, the former's home.

—Will the severe case of "ME" asles now passing through Jersey prove catching?

HYMENEAL.

Richardson—Spruks.

Miss Alta Spruks, formerly of this place, became the bride of Malcolm Benson Richardson, of New York, Thursday evening, May 23. The ceremony was performed in Scranton, in the Hickory street Presbyterian church, by Rev. W. H. Hiller, of this place, assisted by Rev. Dr. Nordt of the Hickory Street church. The church was prettily decorated with white and green with lavender, which colors combined beautifully with the dress of the bride party. The bride wore a gown of white satin trimmed with point lace and carried bride's roses. Her veil was fastened with a pearl cap effect, and her only jewel was a pearl necklace. The bridesmaids were gowned in green crepe meteor with white chiffon tunics, and they carried white and lavender lilies. Followed the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Spruks, Linden street. Here the decorations were very elaborate. In the dining room, white predominated. The table centerpiece was a large bank of white roses. White satin ribbon was continued to each place. White snap dragons and white lilies were used in carrying out the scheme. Bauer's orchestra provided the music. The wedding march was played by J. R. T. Rigott of New York.

There were a number of the bride's friends from Honesdale present at the ceremony. After a short wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Richardson will make their home in New York, where Mr. Richardson is engaged in the automobile business. The Citizen extends congratulations.

CO. E OFFICERS PREPARE FOR CAMP.

Infantrymen From all Parts of the State to Report on June 2 at Mount Gretna—Dougherty in Command.

The instruction camp of the infantry officers of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, to be held at Mount Gretna during the week of June 2, will be on a larger scale than any other similar encampment of the officers of the guard. Close to 500 infantry officers will be at the camp under instruction by twenty-five or more officers of the regular army. The officers of every regiment in the state, above the grade of second lieutenant, together with the staff officers, will take part in the encampment. Thirty-eight officers of the Thirteenth regiment from Scranton will leave there on the afternoon of June 1 for Mount Gretna to report for duty the next morning. The orders provide that the camp work continue until Friday noon, June 7.

From Honesdale Second Lieutenant Thomas Gallagher will go to the instruction camp. He is an officer of Company E of the Thirteenth regiment.

The instruction work this year will consist largely in tactical walks with war games and lectures on rainy days. Field service will be the main subject of instruction for the officers, with special instructions for quartermasters, commissaries, inspectors and other officers.

The thirteen regiment officers who will go to the camp are: Lieut. Col. Ezra H. Ripple, Major W. A. Raub, Major E. H. Conrad, Major R. J. Bourke, adjutant, Capt. R. M. Vail; battalion adjutant, First Lieutenant, C. A. Keisel; quartermasters and commissaries, Second Lieutenants F. D. Koons, H. S. Sisk and C. E. Correll; first lieutenant and assistant surgeon, Joseph A. Wagner; Capt. E. J. Wellner, of Company A; Capt. C. D. Smith, of Company B; Capt. M. W. Murphy, of Company C; Capt. R. A. Gregory, of Company D; Capt. R. A. Hull, of Company F; Capt. Thos. Russell, Jr., of Company H; Capt. F. M. Godley, of Company I; Capt. H. G. Northup, of Company K; Capt. J. F. Cooper, of Company L.

First Lieutenant L. G. Van Nostrand, of Company A; First Lieut. Leroy Bunnell, of Company B; First Lieut. E. P. Hulbert, of Company D; First Lieut. Archer Morgan, of Company F; First Lieut. L. H. Waters, of Company H; First Lieut. C. S. Pirth, of Company I; First Lieut. W. A. Ward, of Company K; First Lieut. L. G. Brown, of Company L.

Second Lieut. A. H. Swinkle, of Company B; Second Lieut. G. W. Gschwindt, of Company C; Second Lieut. T. P. Gallagher, of Company E; Second Lieut. L. F. Marsh, of Company F; Second Lieut. A. W. Crossman, of Company H; Second Lieut. C. A. Bartlett, of Company I; Second Lieut. J. E. Ross, of Company K; Second Lieut. P. H. Seamans, of Company L.

Other local officers who will be in the camp are: Lieut.-Col. F. M. Vandling, division quartermaster; Major D. J. Davies and Major A. G. Rutherford, staff officers.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Scranton Trust Co., trustee to John E. Richmond, Honesdale, property on Main street, known as the William Reed store, consideration, \$6,000.

Walter Hoffman and wife, of Goudsboro, to Ira Kroil, Cresco, land in Lehigh township, \$140.

John S. Osgood, of Sterling, to Albert McLain, land in said township, \$150.

Christian Dorfinger, White Mills, to Andrew Meisler, of the same place, two acres, \$950.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Sidney A. Marold, Damascus Hannah J. Keesler, Damascus Ralph Tegeler, Milanville Lillian Canfield, Gallieville Spencer R. Daniels, Lakeville Elizabeth M. Alpha, Lakeville Friend D. Waltz, Newfoundland Myrtle O. Brink, Greentown

MY GRANDPA WAS A SOLDIER



MEMORIAL SERVICES

In St. John's Lutheran Church, Honesdale, Pa., Sunday, May 26, 1912.

1. Prelude, followed by orchestra.
2. Anthem.
3. The "Long Roll": Drum Corps.
4. Hymn: No. 1.
5. Vesper Service.
6. Psalm III: Rev. A. L. Whitaker.
7. Scripture Lesson: Rev. George S. Wendell.
8. Hymn: No. 461.
9. Memorial Sermon: Rev. C. C. Miller.
10. Solo: Miss Eberhardt.
11. Hymn: No. 493.
12. Offering.
13. Glory Hallelujah: Drum Corps.
14. Versicle.
15. Prayer: Rev. W. H. Swift, D. D.
16. Benediction: Rev. W. H. Swift, D. D.

Drum Corps, Veterans, Ladies' Circle, and Company E, retire, congregation remaining seated, and orchestra playing "The Watch on the Rhine."

Following is the Memorial sermon of Rev. C. C. Miller:

The line will be formed on the sidewalk in front of the church, the Drum Corps will play "Tattoo," the Bugler will sound "Taps," and ranks will be broken.

Exodus 12: Verses 26 and 14— "What mean ye by this service. This day shall be unto you for a memorial."

Members of the Grand Army of the Republic, Sons of Veterans and Soldiers of "Cuba Free":

It has fallen to my lot to address you on this annual occasion. Gladly do I respond to the appointment. My only regret is, that it is not in my power to discharge the duty as satisfactorily as the occasion would seem to demand. So much has been said, written and published on the subject to be treated and its various aspects have been so fully discussed, that it is hardly possible to find an untrodden path or to avoid repetition.

It is a common instinct of civilized man and not without sanction of God to recur to important events and beginnings and to mark and emphasize particular times and seasons for their special commemoration.

Our calendars both secular and sacred are dotted here and there with rotations of anniversaries. From the days of Moses and Joshua, not only every seventh day, but every seventh year also was held sacred by all faithful Israelites; while the seven times seventh ushered in the grand year of Jubilee. And since today we are not under Law, but under Grace, there would seem to be divine sanction for us in the exercise of our Christian and civil liberty, to imitate some of those ancient observances and setting apart certain days for devout commemoration and jubilation, over incidents and events in our national history, especially in view of the unparalleled immigration to our shores of those who are unacquainted with our institutions and unfamiliar with the great cost of our liberties.

There were two great epochs in our nation's history. The epoch of the founding of the union and the epoch of its preservation. The epoch

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EQUINUNK.

Kenneth Joy, Who Was Caught in Shuffling, is Improving—Mrs. Jas. Spratt Dies of Pneumonia—Team Lost Game Saturday—Other Interesting Bits of News.

Equinunk, May, 28. Kenneth Joy, who met with a serious accident at Hornbeck's excelsior mill, is recovering rapidly. Wednesday Dr. Frisbie, assisted by Dr. Frank Woolsey, of Hancock, performed an operation on his jaw which was broken. He has recovered from the operation and is now able to go out in the yard and play.

Mrs. James Spratt, an aged and respected resident of Equinunk, died of pneumonia at her home here Friday. She was born in Ireland and came to this country when 15 years old. She leaves one son to know the loss of a devoted mother, also one brother, Luke Monks, of St. Louis, Mo. The funeral services, conducted by Rev. Father Hefferen, of Rock Lake, was held at Rileyville on Monday.

Mrs. F. C. Frisbie and son, Granville, are visiting friends in New York and Philadelphia.

Rev. J. T. Gardner, a former pastor of this charge, and son, Wesley, were pleasant visitors among friends here Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Riefler spent the past week with Port Jervis and Hancock relatives.

Rev. S. Tolley, our pastor, visited his family in Honesdale last week. Anna Lord is in Downsville, N. Y., visiting her mother, Mrs. Virgil Beatty.

Leonard Zern and son, of Lordville, were callers of Mr. and Mrs. Cain Lord Sunday.

Florence Cuddihy, who has been in Syracuse the past winter, is home.

Mrs. Anna Hodge is spending several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Franks, at Deposit.

Mrs. C. E. Woodmansee is recovering from her recent illness.

Edward Barnes and Mrs. Lester, of Hancock, spent Sunday at the home of J. K. Hornbeck.

G. Cadmus and wife, of Paterson, are spending several weeks with her mother, Mrs. Daniel Lord.

Mr. and Mrs. Oakley Tyner were called to Rileyville Monday to see her brother, William Stevenson, who is very ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. Austin Lloyd and son, of Mount Vernon, N. Y., are visitors at the home of Henry Lloyd and wife.

Henry Denny and Leslie Young, of Hancock, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Denny.

Our ball nine played their opening game with the first team of Long Eddy at that place Saturday. The score was in favor of the Long Eddy boys. The return game will probably be played at Equinunk June 8.

Miss Mayme Finnegan spent several days of the past week with friends at Long Eddy and Cocheaton.

Mrs. Judson Young moved her household goods to Hancock last week so as to be with her two sons, Halsey and Leslie, who are employed there.

Mrs. George Miller, of St. Louis, Mo., is here to attend the funeral of her aunt, Mrs. James Spratt.

Dwight Conklin, of Long Eddy, spent Sunday in town.

Frank Thurston, of New Jersey, has moved to the Redmond property which he bought of C. E. Woodmansee. Mr. Thurston will extensively engage in the chicken business. Mrs. Thurston is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Warfield of this place.

BOARD FIXES BLAME

Says Titanic's Crew Was Responsible—Censures Californian—Ismay Goes Scott Free.

Washington, D. C., May 28.—The Board of Inquiry made its report today in the investigation as to the sinking of the Titanic.

It fixes the blame on the officers of the Titanic; censures the officers of the Californian for not coming to the Titanic in reply to distress signals sent out by the Titanic. The board claims that all might have been saved if the Californian had answered the distress signals.

Those rescued comprised 60% of first class passengers, 42% second class, 25% third class and 24% of the crew. Of the 2,223 persons on board of the Titanic 32% was saved.

The ill-fated steamer was traveling 3 1/2 knots an hour when it struck the iceberg and the board blamed the Titanic's crew in that it had been forewarned as to the approaching danger.

J. Bruce Ismay was not censured. The captain of the Carpathia was given high praise.

Another Fire—This Time in Texas. Fire in the F. P. Kimble tenement house, occupied by Charles Neiman, first floor, and Mrs. Elsworth Cooney, second story, broke out in Mr. Neiman's apartments last Thursday evening, near the Farnham bridge on River street. Mr. Neiman sells second-hand clothing, shoes, etc. It is presumed that the fire was caused by spontaneous combustion in the clothing. An alarm brought the fire companies and within a half-hour from the time the fire started it was out. Mr. Kimble settled his loss for \$118 on Tuesday. His tenants carried insurance on their goods, which covers the loss.

Decorating Grave: Mrs. D. B. Mantle.

Band: Dirge.

Musketry salute to the dead: Company E.

Benediction, Rev. W. H. Swift, D. D.

Drum Corps: "Tattoo." Post Bugler: "Taps." Forming for return march.

Band: "The Watch on the Rhine."

103 PEOPLE LOSE LIVES AT MOVING PICTURE SHOW

Moving Picture House Destroyed by Fire—Women and Children Trampled to Death.

(Special to The Citizen.) Madrid, Spain, May 28.—One hundred and three women and children were burned to death in a moving picture house at the Villa Real, Castellon Province. There were no firemen in the place and as a consequence the building burned to the ground.

The theatre doors swung inward, which prevented the people from getting out safely. A stampede followed and men, women and children were trodden upon and killed.

The film caught fire in the operating room and before the fire could be extinguished the flames spread to the building.

This morning 83 bodies, mostly of women and children, were found lodged inside the door.

SCRANTON WOMAN LOSES EAR

Husband Chased Her With Axe and as She Jumped Over Fence He Cleaves Off Her Hair and Ear.

(Special to The Citizen.) Scranton, May 28.—Mrs. John O'Hara, of North Scranton, lost an ear this morning in a most distressing way. She and her husband had a family quarrel and the wife, who is a large woman, jumped a fence with the ease of an athlete. The husband chased his wife with an axe and although the woman cleared the fence the axe cut off the woman's tresses close to her head. It also cut off an ear. The police are in search of O'Hara. He is well known and at one time shot at his son with the intent, it is alleged, of killing him.

O. S. JOHNSON'S WILL

Retired Coal Operator Gives Bulk of Fortune to Manual Training School.

(Special to The Citizen.) Scranton, May 28.—The will of O. S. Johnson, the retired coal operator, who died in New York City on Friday last, was filed for probate today. His estate is worth \$1,500,000. The bulk of his estate goes toward the foundation of a boys' training school for the poor boys and girls of Lackawanna county. The Scranton Trust company of Scranton is named as the sole executor of the will.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The Orson district Sunday school convention was held at Sherman on Thursday, May 23. The convention was opened by singing, followed by prayer by Rev. A. Scott of Sherman.

A word of welcome was given by Rev. German of Lake Como after which the minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary, Miss Ethel Woodmansee of Lake Como. Otto Appley gave a short talk on "How the Sunday School was Formed," and Miss Clark gave an interesting talk emphasizing the value of a home department in the Sunday school.

In the afternoon the devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Frost of Hale Eddy. Rev. Geo. G. Dowey gave an inspiring talk on "Missions and Temperance." Miss Clark then addressed the convention and her subject was "The Little Folk and the Sunday School." After a business session followed by singing the meeting was adjourned until evening.

In the evening Mr. Appley talked on the O. A. B. C. and Rev. Dowey spoke on "The Sunday School Teacher." Rev. Dowey is a forcible speaker and his talks were filled with instruction and inspiration.

There were seven Sunday schools represented.

The convention was a success in every way and those who attended were impressed with an earnest desire for more active Sunday school work.

The next meeting in the district will be held at Lake Como.

Methodists Elect Last of Bishops.

Minneapolis, Minn.—By a vote of 557, thirty-eight more than necessary to elect, the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church Friday elected as bishop, W. P. Thirkield, president of Howard University, a negro institution at Washington, D. C. He was the eighth and last of bishops or general superintendents to be named by the present conference.

Dr. J. W. Robinson, formerly of Harlan, Iowa, but for twenty years a missionary in India, was elected a missionary bishop for Southern Asia over Rev. Rockwell Clancy, a missionary in Asia.

The election of bishop for the Southeastern Asia district resulted in no choice.

The report of the American Bible Society dealt with the work of circulating biblical literature over the world.

Puts Bottles in River.

Lyman Fry, a young man of Nescopeco, who makes it a special feature every Spring to drop an empty bottle containing his name and address in the high water of the Susquehanna river, is now corresponding with four young women who found his bottles the past four years. The bottle cast adrift on March 2, 1912, was found by a young woman named Marjorie Fry, at Rockhill, Md., on the Eastern shore of Chesapeake Bay. The other bottles were picked up before reaching the bay.