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THE WORLD OF LABOR

News of and for Workers of This Vicinity.

to Entertain Delegates to Mine Workers' Convention. Silk Mill Force Increased.

The Reading Company is making preparations to open a number of new colleries, and officials say it is only a question of a short time until the great Pottsville basin is opened for the mining of coal. This basin contains half of the entire amount of unmined anthractic coal, and its development will enable the Reading Company to vastly increase its output.

At meetings of local unions of Mine Workers, held at Pottsville yesterday, it was decided to lay the condition of the idle miners before the Strike Commission. Statistics were presented to show that there are still 5,000 idle miners in the Ninth district alone. As they are unable to find work, hundreds are again leaving that region.

James E. Roderick, chief of the Bureau of Mines and Mining, is said to be slated for re-appointment as soon as Governor-elect Pennypacker takes his seat. Roderick opposed Pennypacker for the nomination, but worked for his election. He is a personal friend of Quay and this assures him of another term in the office.

The Freeland locals of the Min The Freeland locals of the Mine Workers have all the preparations completed for the annual district convention of District 7, which will be held during the convention and other forms of entertainment for the delegates have been arranged.

Justice of the Peace A. O. Ferrance.

of Dunmore, who was arrested for issu-ing a certificate stating that Nellie Setchick was competent to work when, as a matter of fact, she could not read or write English, as required by 14w, was given a hearing and was fined \$50 and costs.

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William Sachs, of Beaver Meadow, has been promoted from assistant mine foreman to the position of civil engineer under Coxe Bros. & Co., made vacant by the resignation of E. M. Porter, of Drifton, who has accepted the superintendency of a bituminous mine in West Virginia.

Yesterday's North American contain-ed an excellent picture of Peter C. Galla-gher, one of the labor leaders of this region, who was born and raised in Jeddo. Mr. Gallagher resides at Beaver Meadow and is a candidate for president of District 7, U. M. W. of A.

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The indications are that all the collieries of the region will be operated on
New Year's Day, owing to the existing
coal famine. In the Wyoming region
yesterday the Lackawanna Company
ran a number of its washeries.

At a conference of transportation
officials of the Leigh Valley Railroad
at Wilkesbarre a general advance in
wages for all conductors was considered
and it is understood will be granted.

The force of amployee at the tills in

Ferry, who formerly resid-nd, is in the region seeking for him on a large steam-act near Pittsburg.



PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds, of Hastings, Cambria county, are visiting friends here. Mrs. Reynolds, before her marriage, was Miss Bid Herron, and resided at Highland for several years.

Miss Annie Denneny, of South Washington street, and Miss Mary Green, of Drifton, who are employed as typewriters in Philadelphia, are spending the holidays at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Washburn, of Wilkesbarre, spenta few days last week with the latter's mother, Mrs. William Johnson, Walnut street.

Misses Mollie Jordan and Anna Lo-gan, of Scranton, are guests at the home of the Gallagher family in the Fourth ward.

Miss Mame Dugan, of Philadelphia, is visiting her mother and brothers on North Centre street.

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Mrs. H. E. Undewood, of Wilkesbarre, is visiting her neice, Mrs. Herbert Fritz, North Centre street.

Miss Madge Boner, of Philadelphia, is spending her vacation with her mother at Drifton.

John Trimble, of Elizabeth, N. J., is renewing acquaintances here.

To Furnish Electric Power.

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Preparations are being made by the Freeland Electric Light, Heat and Power Company to furnish power to the Overall Manufacturing Company. A number of other persons and establishments now using steam are also considering the advisability of making a change to the cleaner and more economical method of running their machinery. The attention of those who desire to learn further particulars as to cost, etc., is directed to a reading notice in another part of this paper.

The company expects to be ready to supply the overall factory with power about February I next. About that time the company also expects to give light patrons an all-day and all-night service, providing meters are installed by the consumers. The Drifton line will be given continuous service, and according as Freeland patrons place meters in their business houses and homes the service will be extended.

Too Young to Dance.

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Forty-five young girls between the ages of 12 and 15 were taken out of a Wilkesbarre dance hall by the police and sent home under promise not to attend dances until they are older. Matron Bertels, of the United Charities, has for some time endeavored to break up the practice of children attending these dances, but found it impossible to prevent the sale of tickets to them.

The new plan worked well. Two detectives singled out the girls, threatened to arrest those who refused to obey, and sent home all whom they considered too young to attend the dance.

The Tigers Ball.

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The coming ball of the Tigers Athletic Club, on Wednesday evening at Krell's hall, will be the fourteenth annual event of this nature conducted by the organization. The previous balls of the club are remembered as the features of every social season for years past, each eclipsing its predecessor, and the coming event will equal in all respects those of former years.

Music will be furnished by DePierro's complete orchestra and all the other arrangements which mark the Tigers balls will be provided.

A. O. H. Consolidated.

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James F. Dolan, of Syracuse, N. Y., president of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in America, has signed final papers whereby the order throughout the world is brought under one governing board. The ratification of the agreement amalgamation of the societies in the United States, Canada, Mexcico, South America, Australia, Ireland and Great Britain came in the nature of a Christmas greeting from the president of the organization to the members in the faraway countries and those at home.

Notice to Power-Users.

All persons using power are hereby notified that preparations are being made by the Freeland Electric Light, Heat and Power Company to furnish electric power. Information will be cheerfully furnished to any one contemplating the use of or desiring to learn particulars regarding the cost, etc., of electric power, upon application to R. E. Meyer, superintendent.

ROUND THE REGION.

T. J. Joyce, editor of the Mahanoy City American, will shortly retire from that position and resume the publication of his former journal, the Black Dia-mond. W. A. Evans, of Hazleton, will succeed him. Raiph Baker, at present employed on the Freeland Press, will also go to the American office as fore-man.

man.

The Wilkesbarre Evening Leader after a long battle against fate and bac management, went into the hands of a receiver a few days ago, and the presses type and machinery are advertised to be sold on Saturday. It is understood that an entirely new management is preparing to take hold of the paper after the sale.

sale.

Girardville school board has published in the Leader, of that town, a list of the people who have been exonerated from paying school taxes for the past six years. This is an example which could be profitably followed by other school boards.

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The body of William Newell, the young man who was drowned in the Lebigh river near White Haven last Monday, has not yet been recovered. It was carried under the ice and may not be found for some time.

miss Josephine Campbell left today to visit Philadelphia friends.

Miss Neille Shovlin, of Wilkesbarre, is visiting in town.

To Funnish Flashia Parent.

"Minnesota's Best" flour is sold by A. Oswald. There is none better made.

Information has been received at Hazleton that Jacob Bassanella, a former resident of that city, will be hanged in Washburn, N. D., on February 20 for killing an old man.

A total of 1,125 liquor license cations have been fiedin Schuyikill ty and 215 in Carbon.

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Mrs. Anna Hill, aged 89 years, died on Saturday at the home of her son, Charles, in Hazieton.

Refowich will offer for sale tomorrow eight overcoats which he will sell at \$16 apiece. These overcoats were made up special and are of his own make and are of the very latest style. They equal in every respect a \$24 made-to-order coat.

The Strike Commission

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The Anthracite Coal Strike Commission will reassemble at Philadelphia on January 6. It is thought that the hearings will last another month. The nonunion men's case, which was nearly finished before the Scranton sessions were ended, will be concluded inside of three days, the attorneys say, and the independent and big operators figure on getting through with their testimony in three weeks.

The independents will likely be heard first. The operators will devote most of their attention to the introduction and verification and explanations of the statistics, on which they rely for corroboration of their claim that the miners are not underpaid or overworked.

There will not be much testimony from the operators, except of a general character as to violence during the strike, as they believe the commission has been pretty well acquainted through the non-union men's witnesses of what took place in the way of disorder while the strike was on.

Narrowly Escaped Death.

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Misses Elizabeth Mooney, of Freeland; Mame Brogan, of Drifton, and Cella Kennedy, of Oneida, all of whom are Kennedy, of Oneida, all of whom are employed in Philadelphia, are in an hospital in that city suffering from the effects of inhaling coal gas. They boarded at the home of a relative of one of the girls and the sulphur fumes from a stove below entered their rooms.

Miss Kennedy was the first to detect the effects of the gas, and while endeavoring to rouse her companions she was overcome and fell down the stairs, fracturing her shoulder-blade and breaking four ribs.

All the young ladies are well known here and their friends are pleased that they escaped with their lives.

Death at East Butler

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To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets, All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

LOCAL NOTES WRITTEN UP

Short Items of Interest to All Readers.

Happenings of the Past Two Days in and Around Freeland Recorded With-out Waste of Words.

Freeland's delegation to Hazleton opera house Saturday evening was large. Miss Holland's reputation here and the fact that she appeared in her new play. "The Lily and the Prince," attracted her local admirers. The play and players were given much credit for a neat performance.

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P. J. Boyle, of Centre street, a former conductor on the D. S. & S. Raifroad, and who was refused his position after the strike, has purchased a team of horses, wagons, sleighs, etc., from A. B. Smith, of Johnson street. Mr. Boyle intends to do hauling of every description.

A smoker will be held by the Young Men's C. T. A. B. Corps at the Grand opera house hall this evening. Notwith-standing the strike, the corps is in an excellent condition, financially and numerically, and the members look for ward to a pleasant time this evening.

William Lindsay, of Freeland, and Miss Ida Drawhelm, of Upper Lehigh, were married last week in Philadelphia and are spending a few days of their honeymoon in town. They will return to Philadelphia, where the groom is em-

Wanted.—A girl for general house work. Apply to Patrick McFadden South Centre street.

South Centre street.

The engagement of Dr. Peter Broslous and Miss Emma Harris, of Lattimer, is announced. Dr. Broslous is the assistant of Dr. Wentz, of Drifton, and Miss Harris is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harris.

A basket ball team from Milnesville was defeated by the Crescents on Saturday evening by a score of 64 to 0. The visitors apparently knew very little about the game and made a very poor showing. Mrs. John Mulligan, an aged resident

of Beaver Meadow, died on Friday and was buried this morning. The deceased is survived by several grown-up children and was well known in this vicinity.

You save \$3 to \$6 by leaving you measure for your next suit or overcoa at Refowich's.

Rev. Carl Houser, pastor of St. Peter and Paul's Slavonian Lutheran church, has recovered, sufficiently from the ef-fects of his recent accident to be about again and to conduct services.

The Tribune erred on Friday in stat-ing the funeral of the late Mrs. Conrad Hoch, of Allentown, would take place on Tuesday. The deceased was buried on Friday.

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A valuable horse owned by J. P. McDonaid fell and broke a leg on Saturday. The accident crippled the animal so badly that it was necessary to kill it.

The hennery of Patrick McGeehan, Coxe addition, was depleted last evening by the band of chicken thieves which holds sway in town.

John J. Gillespie, of Drifton, is suffering from frost-bitten feet and hands received while on his way home on Christmas night.

David James, mine foreman at Eckley, is receiving treatment at Will's hospital, Philadelphia, for an affliction to his eyes.

Skaters were out in large numbers

Skaters were out in large number yesterday on Johnson's dam.

Refowich's \$16 made-to-order suits are worth \$22. Call and see them. BIRTHS.

McBrearty.—To Mr. and Mrs. Frank McBrearty, North Centre street, a son.

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The prettiest and largest selection of Four-in-Hands, Imperials, Bows, and Tecks in town, in plain white and plain black silks, also all the newest fancy colors in Ties, are now on sale at 25c.
Come and see our new 50c holiday Neckwear. The prettiest Ties that we've ever shown; all shapes, all colors, all styles, 50c.
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Xmas Socks from 25c upward.
Xmas Shirts from 50c upward.
Xmas Silk Mufflers, from 50c

upward.
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Slippers and Shoes—
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Stylish Hats-Headwear should interest you. It's important that you have a new Hat for New Year's. All of the season's latest shapes now on sale.

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We have no cripples. Dolls with scratched cheeks, scarred ears or fract-ured legs are not admitted.

They are ideal in form and features. Some undressed and others dressed in every style the most whimsical child could desire.

We have made some remarkably low prices—about one-thind less than you pay elsewhere.

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Tigers Ball.

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December 31.—Fourteenth annual ball of the Tigers Athletic Club at Krell's New Year's Eve.