SCRANTON SOCIAL NEWS AND GOSSIP

Brief Mention of What Is Doing in the Pleasure Way.

LADIES' WHIST CLUB ORGANIZED

Will Meet Three Afternoons and Two Evenings a Week in Scranton Whist Club Rooms--Week Was Not Characterized by Events Other Than Informal House Affairs--Paragraphs of Personal Gossip.

The plans of the new Otis Whist club of ladies were in part perfected at a meeting held Monday at the Scranton Whist club rooms in the Mears building. Mrs. Henry Belin, jr., presided. It was decided to make the initiation 50 cents and the dues 25 cents per month. Monday and Friday evenings and Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons were designated for play. The rental terms of the Scranton Whist club at $15 per month were accepted. Mrs. James Archbald was made chairman of the membership committee. Mrs. L. G. LaBar is treasurer and Mrs. W. J. Brown chairman of the whist committee. There was a tea following the business proceedings. The ladies who served and assisted were Mrs. L. G. LaBar, Mrs. James Archbald, Mrs. W. J. Brown, Mrs. Henry Belin, jr., Miss Manness, Mrs. F. S. Barker, Mrs. John Owens, Miss Alice Dale and Miss Scranton. A partial list of members is as follows: Mrs. Belin, Mrs. Archbald, Mrs. F. H. Jermyn, Mrs. N. G. Robertson, Mrs. A. H. Storrs, Mrs. G. W. Hallstead, Mrs. A. J. Connell, Mrs. G. B. Hand, Mrs. C. R. Fuller, Mrs. B. H. Pratt, Mrs. H. C. Wallace, Mrs Erastus Parrott, Mrs. J. H. Phelps, Mrs. Thomas Sprague, Mrs. C. E. Wade, Mrs. C. C. Rose, Mrs. N. J. Brown, Mrs. G. B. Jermyn, Mrs. L. S. Oakford, Mrs. Wm. Matthews, Mrs C. R. Parke, Mrs. H. P. Simpson, Mrs. E. L. Fuller, Mrs. E. G. Coursen, Mrs. T. H. Dale, Mrs. Frank Silliman, Mrs. J. S. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. F. K. Fleitz, Mrs. John A. Duckworth, Mrs. L. G. LaBar, Mrs. E. H. Lynde, Mrs. I. F. Megargel, Mrs. F. M. Spencer, Mrs. F. S. Barker, Mrs. N. Y. Leet, Mrs. W. S. Diehl, Mrs. T. G. Wolfe, Mrs. S. L. Foulke, Mrs. C. L. Griffin, Mrs. Katherine Wilcox, Mrs. H. B. Reynolds, Mrs. I. A. Allabach, Mrs. Nelson LaBar, Mrs. Wm. Silkman, Mrs. E. H. Davis, Mrs. I. F. Everhart, Mrs. P. S. Page, Mrs. W. E. Jones, Miss Belin, Miss Archbald, the Misses Jermyn, Miss Barker, Miss Allen, Mrs. John B. Owens, Mrs. C. D. Scranton, Miss Dale, Miss Allis Dale, Eloise Gilmore, Miss Manness, the Misses Matthews, Miss Phelps, the Misses Lindsay, Miss Ruth Dale, Miss Allen.

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One of the regular smokers of the Scranton Bicycle club was given Tuesday night. The committee were: Percival Morris, chairman; C. S. Jennings, Charles Kiesel, Mr. Gardner, Fred Tropp and William Pierce.

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John F. Toohey, of Lincoln avenue, entertained a large party of friends Tuesday evening.

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The Elite Dancing class met Monday evening at Mears hall.

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A masquerade dance was given Tuesday night by the Excelsior Social club at its hall on Wyoming avenue. It was quite informal and was enjoyed by the children relatives as well as the older friends and relatives of the members. Music was furnished by Bauer and an unusually fine supper was served. The committee was: Sol Oettinger, chairman; William Morris and Simon Lauer. Among the dancers from out of town were: Mr. and Mrs. Klein, of Pittston; William Moses and Isaac Singer, of Carbondale; M. Pakelmishky, of Syracuse, and Mr. Algas, of Binghamton.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Hoffman, of Twentieth street, in honor of the fifteenth anniversary of their wedding entertained a large party of friends Monday evening. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Storrs, Dr. and Mrs. D. W. Beach, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Betterly, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Teale, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Clements, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Kresge, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sterner, Pottsville, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Davis, Wyoming, Pa.; the Misses Powell, Broadbent, Louis L. Jones, Richard Davis, Harry Edwards, Edward Price, Professor Thomas Jenkins, and J. F. Green.

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At a surprise party given Monday evening for Mrs. John W. Evans, of North Hyde Park avenue, in celebration of her sixtieth birthday, the following were present: Rev. D. P. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Price, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. David M. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. David Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Reese Lloyd, Mrs. Eldrich, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Reese J. Griffiths, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Evans, of Forest City; Mrs. Thomas Harris, of Pittston; Mrs. Geo. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Evan H. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. David B. Evans, Edward B. Evans, Benjamin Evans, Thomas Evans, Henry Evans, Mary J. Evans, Miss Mary Morgans, Mrs. Evan Thomas, Jacob Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. William W. Evans, Thomas Watkins, Mrs. Jonah Redman, Mrs. Morgans.

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Miss Bessie Sheppard, of Grove street, on Wednesday evening entertained the fellow-students in her class at the Scranton Business college. The guests were: Misses Lilly Wardell, Agnes Harvey, Stacia Clifford, Mame Clearwater, Anna Losey, and Alexander Thompson, Thomas F. Hughes, John Gilmartin, Jesse Brooks, Harry A. Smith and Charles Warg.

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A Peckville wedding that attracted much interest was that of Miss Sarah Coates, of that borough, and Henry Briggs, of Winton, Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Coates. Rev. S. C. Simpkins, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, performed the marriage ceremony. The bride's sister, Miss Hannah Coates, and Miss Emily Cooper, of Jermyn, were bridesmaids. The groom was attended by Bruce Nicol, of Archbald, and Robert Coates, a brother of the bride. A large number of guests were present.

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A surprise party was given for Miss Mamie Regan, of Brick avenue, Wednesday evening. The guests were: Misses Mary Regan, Nellie McDonald, Laura Duggan, Mary Finnerty, Mary Foley, Nellie McDonough, Mary Devine, Elizabeth Walsh, Cora Horan, Lucy O'Boyle, Mary Brady, Barbara Gilbride, Nellie Ketrick, Anna Gilboy, and Messrs. James Casey, John McHale, Martin Flynn, William Lynott, David Farry, John May, Thomas Connors, Anthony Walsh, John Naughton, Joseh Flanaghan and George Horner.

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Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Wendover, of Linden street, gave a taffy pull on Thursday evening. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Herman Young, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Dale, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Stanley, Mrs. Fanny Jones, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hayden, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. S. McClelland, Dr. and Mrs. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Conklin, Mrs. J. A. Van Buskirk, Miss Sarah Joseph, Miss Margaret Williams, Frank Crocker, Stewart Hardy.

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A suprise party was given Wednesday evening for Captain John Horn at his home on Dickson avenue.

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Mr. and Mrs. Henry Volz, of Adams avenue, Dunmore, entertained a party of friends Thursday evening.

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Eli J. Davies of this city, and Miss Lynda C. Cross were married Tuesday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Cross, at Richmond, Va. They are now residing at 324 Penn avenue, third floor, over the People's Printing company office.

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Thursday night was ladies' night at the Scranton Whist club rooms in the Mears building. A prograssive match for pairs was played. Miss Pratt and Mr. Heeley had the high score with six pairs. The other plus scores were Miss Dale and T. Hanford Dale, four; Mr. and Mrs. L. G. LaBar, three; Mrs. W. J. Brown and C. R. Fuller, one; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Owens, one. Others who participated were Dr. and Mrs. P. F. Struppler, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Dale, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Sanderson, Miss Scranton and Mrs. C. R. Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hintermeister, Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Allabach, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Penman.

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Miss Jennie Daniels was tendered a surprise party Thursday evening at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Daniels, of Division street.

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PERSONAL MENTION:

John J. Gordon spent Tuesday at Carbondale.

Miss M. Kramer, of Cedar avenue, is in New York city.

P. M. Campbell, of Carbondale, spent Wednesday in this city.

J. Gomer Evans has removed from Lansford to the West Side.

M. J. Horan, of the South Side, is in New York on a business trip.

Miss Anna Crawn, of Moscow, is visiting friends on the West Side.

Miss Nellie Peckine, of Sayre, is visiting friends on the West Side.

Rev. W. F. Davies, of the North End, was in Plymouth Wednesday.

Miss B. L. Gibbons, of Lafayette street, was in Rutland, Vt., this week.

John J. Gorman has returned from a business trip to New York city.

D. C. Powell, of North Garfield avenue, was in Kingston Thursday.

Miss Mary Edwards, of Washburn street, is visiting in Mahanoy City.

Moses Staples, of North Lincoln avenue, spent Monday at Stroudsburg.

Judge R. W. Archbald has returned from Sunbury, where he held court.

Miss Bertha Reese, of North Hyde Park avenue, is visiting friends in Boston.

Miss Ruth Goodwin, of Newton, is visiting relatives on East Market street.

R. Winfield Bartram, of Chicago, is visiting his aunt, Mrs. LeGrand Wright.

Miss Mabel Boldry, of Washburn street, has returned from a visit at New York city.

Mrs. William MacDougal, of East Orange, N. J., is visiting friends in this city.

Miss Loretta Marrin, of Keiser avenue, has returned from a visit at Wilkes-Barre.

Miss Myrtle Perry has returned home after a visit with friends at Wilkes-Barre.

Judge H. M. Edwards was conductor of the elisteddfod held Wednesday at Hazleton.

James M. Eaton, of Tenth street, was in Stroudsburg Wednesday on a business trip.

Charles Lewis, of California, is visiting his cousin, Charles Lewis, of Leggett street.

William Langan, of Hawley, has returned to his home after a visit on the South Side.

Edward Hallett, of North Bromley avenue, was at Stroudsburg Monday on a business trip.

City Engineer Phillips was slightly ill yesterday and confined to his home on the West Side.

C. M. Clarke, of Philadelphia, president of the Traction company, was in the city this week.

Miss M. E. Healey and Miss Catherine Mullaney, of Wyoming avenue, are in New York city.

Major W. S. Millar leaves today for Harrisburg, where he will inspect the Eighth regiment.

Mrs. R. M. Legge and daughter, Irene, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Legge's parents at Waverly.

Mrs. Julia Bryant, of Division street, has returned home after a visit with New Jersey friends.

Attorney J. W. Howe, of Philadelphia, is the guest of his brother-in-law, Prothonotary C. E. Pryor.

Dr. Harper B. Lackey, of North Main avenue, Providence, returned Monday after a sojourn in Florida.

Dr. Michael Carroll, of Plymouth, visited his brother, Dr. J. J. Carroll, of Jackson street, last Monday.

Rev. W. P. O'Donnell, of Holy Rosary church, North End, delivered an address at Olyphant Wednesday night.

Daniel DeVere, mother and daughter, of Port Jervis, are visiting at the home of Robert Simrell, of Breaker street.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Covert, of Kingston, Pa., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Hess, of Clay avenue, Dunmore.

Miss Alice Brazille, of Lee court, and Miss Helen Schroeder, of Green Ridge street, were at White Mills on Thursday.

Miss O'Connell, of Honesdale, has returned to her home after spending a couple of weeks with Miss Barrett, of Ninth street.

Miss Jennie Morgan, of North Filmore avenue, and Miss Jennie Jones, of Bellevue, have returned from a business trip to New York city.

Miss Grace Hines, of Moscow, who has been the guest of Mrs. A. J. Winebrake at her home, Mill street, Dunmore, has returned home.

Chauncey Bishop, after a visit to his sister, Mrs. David Hess, of Clay avenue, Dunmore, has returned to his home in Hemlock Hollow.

Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Parke are at Ponce de Leon, St. Augustine, and S. M. Parke, of Pittston; W. J. Welsh, A. P. Bedford, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Storrs are at the Alcazar, St. Augustine.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Fuller, M. B. Fuller and Miss Helen Yates are traveling over the east coast of Florida with Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Yates and Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Brewster, of Rochester, in the private car "Virginia." Mr. Yates is president of the Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburg railway.

Among the Scranton people at the Olyphant elisteddfod Wednesday, were Lewis A. Howell, John H. Phillips, Eli Harris, Edwin Bowen, Daniel Reese, James W. Reese, John Bowen, Morris Thomas, E. D. Jones, E. E. Robathan, Phil R. Thomas, Moses James, Joshua Johns and Miss Mary C. Davis.

F. M. Vandling, William Kelly, C. B. Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. I. F. Megargel, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Jones, Miss Jones, Mrs. W. R. McClave, Mrs. John Duckworth, Thomas P. Gordon, Michael J. Gordon, B. E. Leonard, Miss M. Cummings, Mrs. S. S. Seamans, B. P. Connolly, Miss Jones, of Olyphant; Mrs. M. B. Hull, of Olyphant; Miss C. A. Hull, of Olyphant, were registered at the Westminster, in New York city, during the week.

CHURCH DOINGS AND RELIGIOUS TALK

Chroniclings of Particular Interest to Church-Going People.

GERMAN METHODISTS IN SCRANTON

Interesting Review of the Advance of Their Denomination--Something of the Approaching Wyoming Conference at Oneonta, N. Y.--Money Needed By the Y. M. C. A.--Brief Notes of Church News -- Services Tomorrow.

In view of the approaching East German Methodist Episcopal conference in this city beginning next Wednesday night at the First German Methodist church, Adams avenue, corner of Vine street, the following review of German Methodism in this city will be interesting:

In the spring of 1855 Rev. F. W. Flocken came to Scranton to begin mission work among the German population. He preached for the first time in the frame church building owned by the Methodist Episcopal church, on June 3. The following fall the first church organization was formed, consisting of sixteen members. Of these the following six are still living: Jacob Walter, Magdalene Lutz, Christine Bickel, Charlotte Ffaff, John Lutz and Frederic Bonn. The last named person has been a successful minister in the German work, now stationed at San Francisco, Cal. The services were alternatively held at the frame church and in private houses, until the English congregation, being ready to build a more imposing structure, sold their frame church to them for $100. They removed it to the lot at the corner of Adams avenue and Vine street, which was then bought for the sum of $550. This was the first church building for the German people in Scranton. In 1867 the adjoining lot was purchased for $1,000, the church property had a frontage of 80 feet.

In 1872 the present church edifice was built. Rev. W. H. Kurth was then pastor. The cost of this building amounted to $20,000. Now the congregation had a beautiful new church in the best location, but not without the great burden of a debt amounting to $9,000, and very few of the members were well-to-do. But by untiring efforts on the part of the minister, and heroic giving on the part of the membership, this large debt was entirely wiped out within ten years. Many English speaking Christian friends showed themselves in those struggling times to be friends indeed. Through the efforts of Rev. F. W. Dinger $3,500 of the debt was paid off, and Rev. G. Abele had the gratification to pay off the last dollar of the remaining $4,500.

In 1885 a chapel was erected on the hill at the cost of $2,246, exclusive of two lots which were procured by the Ladies' Aid society of that district for $450. In this chapel a prosperous Sunday school has been conducted, and preaching services and class meetings held ever since. In the same year two lots were purchased for $600 at the corner of Prospect avenue and Birch street, South Side, and another chapel built at the cost of $2,505. In this location a church organization was soon formed and 37 members and a number of probationers joined by letter from the mother church. Here the work developed in a gratifying manner and there is now a membership of 104 members, and a Sunday school of 158 scholars at the South Side.

Last summer the trustees of the First church spent $1,800 for a thorough renovation of the church property.

Since last conference the pastor raised 35 persons into full membership connection. There is in the church a very active Ladies' Aid society, who, besides many deeds of charity to the poor and the sick, render very efficient help to the trustees of the church financially.

The following ministers have been stationed at the First church since its organization: 1855-56, F. W. Flocken; 1857-58, John G. Lutz; 1859-60, Jacob Week; 1861-62, Leonard Meyer; 1863-64, Louis Wallon; 1866-68, Paul Quattlander; 1869-70, Jacob Kolb; 1871-73, William H. Kurth; 1874-75, George H. Mayer; 1877-79, F. W. Dinger; 1880, William Kuth, second term; 1881-83, George Abele; 1884-86, Jacob Kolb; 1887-89, Ferdinand Rey; 1890-94, Gustav Haussen; 1896-96, Ph. Haendiges.

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Rev. Bishop H. W. Warren, D. D., LL. D., of Colorado, will preside at the forty-sixth annual Wyoming conference of the Methodist Episcopal church which begins April 7 at Oneonta, N. Y. There is a vast difference in the extent of Methodism in the conference now as compared with forty-five years ago. Then the amount of salaries, independent of the claims of presiding elders, was only $19,917; last year $144,579 was paid in salaries not including those of presiding elders. Forty-five years ago the church valuation was $23,050; now it is $2,085,960, exclusive of parsonages. Of the sixty-two ministers who responded to the first conference roll call only seven are now living, and these sustain a superannuate relation, namely: C. V. Arnold, Binghamton, N. Y.; H. R. Clark, Binghamton, N. Y.; Asa Brooks, Candor, N. Y.; Joseph Hewitt, Candor, N. Y.; Philip Bartlett, Astoria, N. Y.; G. W. Leech, Susquehanna, Pa.; C. L. Rice, McGrawsville, N. Y.

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The annual meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary society of the Wyoming Methodist district was held Thursday in the Methodist church at West Pittston. The officers of the society are: Mrs. T. H. Dale, of Scranton, president; Mrs. W. H. Peck, of Scranton, recording secretary, and Mrs. W. G. Simpson, of West Pittston, corresponding secretary.

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As much as $10,000 for improvements and a deficit of $3,000 for the year just closed, confronts the Young Men's Christian association and threatens the proposed renovation of the gymnasium. On April 13 the annual meeting of directors will be held. For that meeting a conference has been arranged between the directors and members of the association and some plan may be devised for overcoming the financial situation.

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Rev. W. J. Ford says the report that he has received a call from a Buffalo Baptist church is untrue.

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A plan is afoot to give a big Christian Endeavor banquet. The project was discussed at a meeting of the City union executive committee Monday evening at the Young Men's Christian association building. The matter will be submitted to vote among the many societies and if decided affirmatively the banquet will probably be held at the Penn Avenue Baptist church. It was decided to continue the Christian Endeavor Journal, which was started just previous to the recent state convention in this city, its editor is Attorney J. J. H. Hamilton.

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The annual meeting of the Lackawanna presbytery will begin April 19 in the Providence Presbyterian church and will last three days. Rev. Thornton A. Mills, Ph. D., of Wilkes-Barre, the moderator, will preside. One important topic for discussion will be a proposed division of the presbytery limits. It is thought by some to be too large. The presbytery numbers about 100 members.

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An institute of the Sunday school workers of the third district of Lackawanna county will be held in the Methodist church of Peckville on March 23, when a district organization will be effected. The county officers are presiden, W. W. Fletcher, M. D., Carbondale; vice president, W. F. Nye, Carbondale; secretary-treasurer, Miss Della P. Evans, Scranton; superintendent home department, F. E. Nettleton, Scranton. All Sunday school workers are invited to the institute. The programme will be as follows:

AFTERNOON SERVICE.

2.00—Praise service, Rev. V. C. Byers, Peckville.

Words of Welcome, Halsey Lathrops, Peckville.

"Preparation for Sunday School Teachers," Miss Carrie Geary, Carbondale.

General discussion, "Reaching the Outside Masses," C. D. Winter, William Allen and others.

"Home Department," C. A. Samson, Archbald, and others.

Music—Offering.

"Paul, the Great Missionary," William H. Hill, Mayfield.

EVENING SERVICE.

7.30—Praise service.

Report of committee. Election of officers.

The lesson for April 4 taught by little people, C. E. Baker, Jermyn.

"The Preparation of the Lesson," Professor E. D. Bovard, Jermyn.

Music—Offering.

"What a Teacher Should Know," L. F. Bower, Scranton, state district president Lackawanna, Susquehanna and Wayne counties.

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The following is a programme of the music that will be rendered tomorrow in the Penn Avenue Baptist church:

MORNING.

Organ prelude, Impromptu.....Parker
Anthem, "The Lord Is My Light," Schnecker
Hymn 461, "Saviour, Thy Dying Love," Lowry
Children's hymn, "Give Glory," 22 M. L. P. .....Ford
Offertory, "Love Not the World" Sullivan
Hymn 459, "I Gave My Life for Thee," Bliss
Response, "Laborers of Christ Arise."
374 G. H. 1-6..... .....Greatorex
Organ, Allegreto..... Goldmark

EVENING.

Organ prelude, "Nazareth".....Gounod
Sentence, "The Lord Is in His Holy Temple" .... Farraut
Anthem, "The Lord Is Nigh Unto Them" ..... Sullivan
Response, "Abide with Me."
Response, "Lord's Prayer".....Bowman
Offertory, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought" ..... Baex
Hymn 684, hymnal, "There Is a Land of Pure Delight."
Response, 371, 1-6, G. H.

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Mrs. Dr. Hand will have charge of the Gospel meeting at the Young Women's Christian association rooms Sunday at 3.45 p. m. Many chairs are in the assembly room that we want to see filled at each Sunday service. All young women are invited to come and occupy these chairs, thereby being helped and strengthened by hearing "good tidings" from the "Word of Life." Come, 205-207 Washington avenue.

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The series of revival meetings held in Throop Methodist Episcopal church during the past five weeks have been of the utmost interest, and largely attended. More than fifty persons have entered upon a Christian life, and many added to the church. Evangelist Miss Lydia Hanawalt, who has been assiting the pastor, Rev. J. V. Newell, finished her work there on Monday evening. She left with the good wishes of the people to whom she is endeared as a faithful and noble Christian worker. Services will be conducted as usual next week, Monday, class meeting; Wednesday, prayer meeting, led by the pastor.

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The following programme of music will be rendered at the evening service in the Second Presbyterian church:

Organ prelude .....Dudley Buck
By request the anthem, "Hark, Hark My Soul," by Logan, will be sung by the full choir.
Quartette .....Weber
Solo and chorus.
Postlude .....Gounod

J. M. Chance, organist.

RELIGIOUS NEWS NOTES.

Two or more morning masses were celebrated on St. Patrick's day in all the Catholic churches.

Miss Vandervoort, the contralto of Elm Park church, will sing at the Penn Avenue church tomorrow evening.

Secretary George G. Many will conduct the services at the Reserve Mission Sunday evening. G. Y. Sanborn, superintendent.

Rev. George E. Guild will conduct tomorrow afternoon's gospel meeting at the Young Men's Christian association building.

The ladies of the Simpson church whose names begin with the letters F, G, H, I, J and K, served a supper in the church Thursday evening.

Thirty-two new members will be added to the church roll in the First Congregational church next Sabbath morning. The majority are Sunday school scholars.

The Sunday school of the Calvary Reformed church was presented with a handsome birthday box by the Weaver Organ and Piano company, of York, Pa.

Rev. D. E. Evans, of Kingston, Pa., delivered a lecture on "Genesis and Geology" Thursday evening in the First Congregational church on South Main avenue.

Rev. Dr. C. E. Robinson, who has been at the Jackson sanitarium at Dansville, N. Y., has returned home and will preach tomorrow in the Second Presbyterian church.

Rev. G. W. Welsh, of Calvary Reformed church, corner Monroe avenue and Gibson street, will preach a special sermon to children on Sunday, March 21, at 10.30 a. m.

The Women's Foreign Missionary society of Asbury Methodist Episcopal church will hold a public meeting tomorrow evening, which will be addressed by Miss Danforth, of Japan.

On Thursday evening the last quarterly meeting of the present conference year will be held in the church parlors of the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church, North Main avenue.

Rev. Charles J. Bradbury, of the Genesee conference, who has been spending a few months with his son, Charles E. Bradbury, of this city, returned Thursday to his home in Wayland, N. Y.

The gospel meeting Sunday at 3.45 p. m. in South Side Young Women's Christian association rooms, 1021 Cedar avenue, will be of special interest. Miss Kate Lewert will lead. Come and bring a friend.

The Hebrew Feast of Purim corresponding to the Christian Christmas, was celebrated on Thursday. It was the anniversary of the deliverance of the Jews from the destruction planned by the Persians.

The annual missionary exercises of the Providence Methodist Episcopal Sunday school were held last Sunday afternoon. The annual contributions were received from the several classes, and amounted to $228.

The newly published Congregational hymnal was used for the first time in the First Congregational church last Sunday. The church had purchased 200 copies for the use of the congregation. It is expected that it will add interest to church praises.

Mrs. Catherine Wilcox gave her sixth recital at the South Side Young Women's Christian association Thursday evening. The entertainers were the following pupils of Mrs. Wilcox: Misses Sando, Worth, Jordan, Coston and Love, and Messrs. Terwilliger, Van Gorder and Davis.

The Laurel club of the Young Women's Christian association on Tuesday evening elected officers. Retiring President Eva Short presided. The officers elected are: Miss Ella Osland, president; Mrs. H. B. Sweet, vice-president; Miss Carrie DeWild, secretary; Miss Eva Short, treasurer; Miss Louise Linder, chaplain; Miss Lottie Swingle, critic.

Rev. L. R. Foster, of Auburn Theological seminary, to whom the call to the double pastorate of the Sumner Avenue and Taylor Presbyterian churches has been extended, has not yet accepted the same. He officiated at the Taylor church in the morning last Sunday and in the evening he preached in the Sumner Avenue church. He was officially tendered the call on Saturday, but to the committee who waited upon him he gave no definite reply, but it is probable that he will make his decision known on March 28, when he will again officiate in the two churches. The congregations anticipate his acceptance.

At the Railroad Young Men's Christian association rooms on Lackawanna Tuesday evening a reception was tendered Frank P. Browne and W. H. Berry, the retiring and incoming assistant secretaries respectively. The chairman of the evening was Secretary Frank Pearsall. Those who contributed to the entertainment were Walter Smith, the Georgia Students' quartette and the Imperial orchestra. A farewell address was delivered to Mr. Browne by F. D. Glover and a welcome was addressed to Mr. Berry by Mr. Marsh. A purse of money, the gift of the association, was presented to Mr. Browne. John R. Troch made the presentation. Mr. Browne resigned to accept a similar office at Great Bend.

TOMORROW'S SERVICES.

Green Ridge Presbyterian church—Morning service at 10.30, evening service at 7.30. Rev. A. N. Hagerty, of Carlisle, Pa., will preach. Bible school at 12 o'clock. Endeavor society at 6.30 o'clock.

Grace Evangelical Lutheran church, corner Madison avenue and Mulberry street—Rev. Foster H. Gift, pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m. and at 7.30 p. m. Song service in the evening.

Elm Park church—Prayer and praise service at 9.30; preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. by the pastor, C. M. Giffin, D. D. Subject at 7.30 "Needed—More Dreaming." Sunday school at 2 and Epworth league at 6.30 p. m.

First Congregational church, South Main avenue—Pastor, David Jones. Morning, 10 a. m., communion service; sermon, II Timothy, iv, 22. Afternoon, Sabbath school. Evening sermon, "Nurse It For Me." Exodus, ii, 9.

Christian Alliance, 1331 Dean avenue—Prayer meeting 9 a. m. to 10 a. m. Gospel service every Sunday at 3.45 p. m., led by Rev. W. T. MacArthur. Meeting on Tuesday evening at 7.30 p. m. All cordially invited.

St. Mark's Lutheran church, Fourteenth and Washburn streets—Rev. A. L. Ramer, Ph. D., pastor. Third Sunday in Lent. Services 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.

Calvary Reformed church, corner Gibson street and Monroe avenue—Rev. Geo. W. Welsh, pastor. Services, 10.30, special sermon to children; 11.45, Sunday school; 5.45, Junior Christian Endeavor; 6.30, Senior Christian Endeavor; 7.30, services, subject, "Temperance." Seats free. All welcome.

First Church of Christ (Scientist), No. 519 Adams avenue. Sunday service 10.30 a. m. Testimonial meeting Friday evening at 8 o'clock. All welcome. Seats free.

Providence Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. William Edgar, pastor. The usual services will be held. Preaching by pastor at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Morning subject, "Another Fruit of the Spirit;" evening subject, "Way Stations." Sunday school at 2 p. m. Epworth league at 6.45, led by Miss Amy Decker. All are invited.

Green Ridge Baptist church—Rev. W. J. Ford, pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Subject in the morning, "Home Missions;" in the evening, "The Life and Creed of St. Patrick."

Trinity Lutheran church, corner of Mulberry street and Adams avenue. Services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school at 12 o'clock.

First Baptist church, Scranton street—Rev. S. F. Mathews, pastor. Prayer meeting, 10 a. m., led by Deacon Owens. Subject for Sabbath morning, "I Would Not Live Always," Job, xvi, 16. Subject for Sabbath evening, "The Pauline Prize Fighter," I Timothy, vi, 12. There will be a song service preceding the evening sermon. Bible school at 2 p. m., Dr. Beddoe, superintendent. Young People's prayer meeting 6 p. m., leader, Mattie Watkins. All are cordially invited.

Shiloh Baptist church, over Hulbert's Music store, 117 Wyoming avenue—At 10.30 o'clock a. m. preaching by Rev. J. Russell. Subject, "Temptation;" at 2.30 o'clock p. m., Sunday school; at 7.30 o'clock p. m., preaching by Rev. Russell. Subject, "Church Activity." The public is cordially invited to turn out.

Penn Avenue Baptist church—Rev. Joseph K. Dixon, D. D., pastor. Preaching at 10.30 and 7.30 o'clock. Theme for the morning, "God's Fellow Workers," and in the evening, "The Voice of Kinship, or Friendship Consecrated," the third in a series of Sunday evening sermons on "Voices from the Cross." Bible school at 2 o'clock. Young people's meeting at 6.30. All cordially welcomed.

First Presbyterian church—Services 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school 12 m. (noon); Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, 6.30 p. m. Dr. McLeod will preach morning and evening. In the evening he will continue his lectures on the "Prophet of Fire." Subject, "Naboth's Vineyard and God's Mercy to a Covetous King and a Murderous Queen."

Union mission, Cross street—Testimonial meeting at 3 o'clock; text, Matthew, xxiv, 1. Gospel meeting at 7.30, J. M. Schanck, leader. Sunday school at 10.15. All are welcome.

Providence Presbyterian church—Rev. George E. Guild, pastor. In the morning the discourse will be for children; children and parents especially invited. Evening theme, "David's Contribution to Our Race." The seats of the church are free.

Second Presbyterian church—Rev. C. E. Robinson, D. D., pastor. Services 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. The pastor will preach in the morning, beside the short sermon to the children, on "True Rationalism," and in the evening on the "Christian Ideal." All seats free at night. All welcome at all services.

Seventh Day Adventists—Evangelist W. H. Smith will speak in D. D. Evans' hall, corner of Hampton street and South Main avenue, Sunday evening at 7.30. Subject, "The Signs of the Times." This will involve some of the leading issues of the day. All are invited.

Grace Reformed Episcopal church—Wyoming avenue, below Mulberry street. Divine worship 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sabbath school at 12 m. Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor at 6.30 p. m. Seats all free at all services. Strangers always welcome. Preaching by the pastor at both services. Morning, "Taking Heed," Hebrews, ii, 1; evening, "Sin's Last Outbreak," Revelations, xx, 7-15. Monday, at 7.45 p. m., special service. Subject, "The Holy Spirit." Come and bring your Bibles. All welcome. The pastor conducts a union Bible class for the study of the Sabbath school lesson every Thursday evening at 7.45 o'clock. All are welcome.

Washburn Street Presbyterian church—Rev. John P. Moffat, pastor. Services at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Bible school at 12 m. Junior Christian Endeavor at 3.30 p. m. Senior Christian Endeavor at 6.30 p. m. Special services, commencing at 7.30, every night but Saturday night, during the coming week. The pastor will preach in the morning on "The Reason for Divine Inactivity." In the afternoon to Junior Christian Endeavorers on "Temperance," and in the evening on "God's Service a Chance?" All are cordially invited to all of these services.

Sumner Avenue Presbyterian church—Mr. Morgan, a student at Auburn Theological seminary, will preach in the Taylor Presbyterian church in the morning and in the evening at the Sumner Avenue church. The following Sunday Rev. Mr. L. R. Foster will supply these pulpits and give a definite answer as to acceptance or rejection of the call given him.

Hampton Street Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. F. P. Doty, pastor. Morning service, sermon, 10.30 o'clock. Sabbath school, 2 p. m. Epworth league, 6.30. Evening service, special sermon to the Knights of Malta, 7.30 p. m.

Simpson Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. J. B. Sweet, pastor. Fourth quarterly meeting for the present conference year. Love feast at 9 o'clock. Morning service, communion, 10.30. Sabbath school 12 o'clock. Epworth league, 6 o'clock. Evening service, preaching by Presiding Elder Rev. Dr. J. G. Eckman.

First Welsh Baptist church—W. S. Jones, pastor. Regular services morning and evening. Sabbath school 2 p. m. English sermon at evening service.

St. Luke's Parish—Rev. Rogers Israel, rector; Rev. Edward J. Haughton, curate. Third Sunday in Lent. St. Luke's church, 7.30 a. m., holy communion; 9.15 a. m., Sunday school; 10.30 a. m., morning prayer and sermon; 4.30 p. m., evening prayer; 7.30 p. m., mission service and address on the "Church." St. Mark's Dunmore, 8 a. m., holy communion; 10.30 a. m., morning prayer and sermon; 3 p. m., Sunday school; 7.30 p. m., evening prayer and sermon. St. George's, Olyphant, in Edwards' hall, 3 p. m., Sunday school; 4 p. m., evening prayer and sermon.

Saint David's Church—Corner Jackson street and Bromley avenue. Rev. M. H. Mill, rector. Third Sunday in Lent. 10.30 a. m., morning prayer and sermon; 2.30 p. m., Sunday school; 7.30 p. m., evening prayer and sermon; Friday, 7.45 p. m., evening prayer and address. All persons welcome at all services.

Jackson Street Baptist church—Rev. Thomas de Grachy, pastor, will preach tomorrow morning at 10.30 o'clock on the subject, "Nature, Man and Revelation." Bible school at 2 p. m.; Continental school at 3 p. m. Evening service at 7 o'clock prompt. A glorious praise and song service will be held, assisted by a large chorus, with W. H. Stanton, cornetist, and William Allen, violinist, followed by a short sermon. Topic, "A Midnight Hall." An after meeting will be held. You are cordially invited to all the privileges of our sanctuary. Seats are free. Business meeting Monday evening at 7.30; Praying band will meet on Wednesday evening at 7.30 at the home of Mr. Snedigar, North Everett avenue.

All Souls' Universalist church—Rev. P. W. Whippo, pastor. Morning subject, "The Christian Race;" evening subject, "Nero, the Burning of Rome, and the Early Christians."

Howard Place African Methodist Episcopal church—Rev. H. A. Grant, B. D., pastor. 10.30 a. m., subject, "Without Fault Before the Throne of God;" 2.30, Sunday school; 6.30 p. m., Christian Endeavor; 7.30 p. m., subject, "The True Principles of Life."

American Volunteers, 318 Washington avenue—3.45 p. m., united Christians' service; 8 p. m., great salvation meeting, in which Captain and Mrs. Chapin give their farewell address to No. 1 post prior to taking charge of the Volunteers' work in Atlantic City.

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