

PLEA FOR LIFE OF SBURGH MAN Asks Pardon Board to Commute First Murderer Sentenced to Death by Electric Chair

Sheriff George W. Richards, of Allegheny county, to-day sent to the State Board of Pardons a plea for the life of Andrew Malinowski, of Pittsburgh, who under sentence of death for murder and who, if not commuted, will be the first person to suffer the death penalty by electrocution under the new law substituting the electric chair for the scaffold in Pennsylvania.

In behalf of Malinowski, Sheriff Richards presented to the Pardon Board a petition signed by every member of the Legislature from Allegheny county.

"My interest in this man is not actuated by the sympathy that is supposed to exist with regard to all men being who are about to die," said Sheriff Richards, "but because I have been impressed with certain extenuating circumstances in this case that the ordinary man would not be familiar with, and because I consider myself a sufficient judge of human nature to know that this unfortunate young man is possessed of more good qualities than one finds in confirmed criminals. He is not of the latter type, and if for one minute I thought his act had been premeditated I should certainly not be here."

Among other things that have impressed the sheriff in the case of Malinowski are the love of the young man for his children, his utter lack of feeling against his dead wife, and his diligent perusal of a prayer book. Chief Deputy Herbert H. Braun and Deputy Charles McInerney hold the same view as the sheriff, and have not only signed with him the petition for commutation, but have come here personally to assist in the case.

Malinowski said he was an American having lived in Pittsburgh since he was three years old. He was married at 19, his wife being 16. They got along harmoniously for several years, but his wife's utter lack of feeling against his dead wife, and his diligent perusal of a prayer book, led to the case.

On New Year's night there was a heated argument and his wife attacked and did not get together. There was drinking afterward. "From that point," said Malinowski, "I really remember nothing until I was taken to the electric chair. I told I had shot my wife and also had shot myself through the leg. They say I myself saw me do it and I guess I must have done it, but I don't remember anything of it."

The case was argued to the Pardon Board by Attorney Hiram Schoch, formerly a newspaperman in this city, and Representative Stein, the latter having volunteered his services. The board will give its decision later in the day.

"Lobbying" Charge to Be Investigated by Special Committee From Senate

Washington, Feb. 17.—Formal inquiry into charges of "lobbying" against the administration ship purchase bill, pending in the Senate, was begun to-day by the special Senate committee, which has on its hands ready to testify when the hearing began was Bernard N. Baker, of Baltimore, former manager of Atlantic Transport line, and Sigmund Albertson, of New York, representing German-American steamship companies. A number of the other witnesses will be summoned by the committee.

MEN'S BROTHERHOOD COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN ORGANIZATION COMPLETES SUCCESSFUL YEAR; HAS FORMED BIBLE CLASS

The Men's Brotherhood of Covenant Presbyterian Church ended its first year Friday evening with the election of officers for the coming year. Officers elected were: President, S. P. Eby; vice-president, W. F. Schraedley; secretary, C. C. Holland; and treasurer, D. A. Teats. President Eby appointed the following committees:

Executive, officers and chairs of the different committees. Devotional, D. A. Kauffman, chairman; J. L. Wirt, G. W. Cook, A. W. Lutz, Entertainment, S. H. Garland, William Smith, Albert Meyer, Herman Smiley, W. J. Dunlap, S. G. Backenstoss and Ross K. Wirt. Social, S. R. Harris, J. B. Livingston, C. M. Brubaker, George A. Werner, J. Schirer and Edward McAllister. Membership, George R. Pritchard, J. M. Stewart, W. H. Hampton, Richard Crane, Clyde Miller, David Shirk, Oscar Smith, Russ McGinnis, R. E. Burd, A. B. Matthews, H. C. Baker and William Noll. Publicity, Roy D. Beman, Rev. Harvey Klaier and D. A. Teats. The pastor, the Rev. W. H. Livingston, member ex-officio of all committees.

At the present time they have enrolled as members a total of 95 and as a side issue have organized a Men's Bible class which meets each Sunday. The officers of the Bible class are as follows: President, D. A. Teats; vice-president, D. A. Kauffman; secretary, J. B. Livingston; treasurer, W. F. Schraedley. The Bible class has an enrollment of 45 and is growing fast. Miss Maude Gamble is the teacher.

Congregation Gives Public Reception For New Pastor

Prominent Men Speak at Hobab Bible Class Banquet

Clergy and Children to March in Solemn Parade

Christian Endeavor Doings

Thresherman's Bill Introduced in House

THRESHERMEN'S BILL INTRODUCED IN HOUSE

Officers for the ensuing year, elected unanimously this morning by the Pennsylvania Threshermen's and Farmers' Protective Association in convention at the Chestnut Street hall, are as follows: President, A. H. Brubaker, Rohrestown; vice-president, W. B. Crawford, Saltsburg; secretary, treasurer, J. A. Rose, this city; and a number of other officers. Frank George, Indiana; George T. Sellers, Gap; P. M. Spangler, Cumberland; George A. Dechant, this city; W. F. Hovertz, this city, and Ira M. Hon, Lancaster, Pa. Mr. Hart is the retiring president.

The roll call at the opening of the meeting showed delegates present from practically all counties in the State, some to six from each. Nearly four hundred farmers or threshermen were present to-day. The treasurer reported the finances of the organization in good condition. A rising vote of thanks was given the retiring officers.

Following the installation of the new officers at the closing meeting this afternoon, insurance questions were taken up, including a discussion of the subject, "Shall We have a Mutual Insurance Company to Insure Threshing Machinery?"

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The Twilight Sleep; Its Advantages and Dangers

Hundreds of Healthy, Robust Babies Attest to Success of the Experiments; Action of Scopolamin Enables Mothers to Pass Through Ordeal Painlessly; Local Physician Gives It His Hearty Endorsement

For nearly fifteen years past the medical profession has understood the danger of the combination of morphine with a drug known as scopolamin. Being difficult to obtain in a really pure condition and also being a drug which cannot be handled with impunity, its name has never become familiar to the laity.

Dr. Von Steinhilber, of Freiburg, Germany, was the first man to consider it of sufficient narcotic power to be used in obstetrical cases. He was the first to put it to a test. The results were so gratifying that subsequently Dr. Kron and Gauss perfected a system of dosage which has finally become known all over the civilized world.

Next Monday, February 22, several women who themselves have passed the ordeal of the twilight sleep in the child bearing ward of the Maternity Hospital at the Majestic theater. Here they will explain to the women of Harrisburg how and why they consider the Twilight Sleep a great new blessing to all womanhood of the future.

Arrests During Year Fall Below Those of Previous One; "The Honor Roll"

INJURED BY IRON

ASHED IN ABDOMEN

Overflow Services Held at Redeemer Lutheran

NEWS OF THE RAILROADS TRAINLOAD OF CATTLE FOR EUROPE

Reading Railway Delivers Twenty-four Carloads to Jersey City; Pass Through Harrisburg

Freight Shows Decrease; Daily Tonnage Improves

RAILROAD NOTES

Standing of the Crews

ENOLA SIDE

PHILADELPHIA DIVISION

THE HEADING

Novel "Movies" Will Be Shown With Telephone Talk

ASK 'HARDSCRABBLE' THE REASONS

City Solicitor Seitz May Petition Court For Board to Assess Benefits and Damages

Application for the appointment of a board of three assessors to assess benefits and damages incident to the opening of Front street from Hill street to Calder—the first step in the move to eliminate "Hardscrabble"

Realty Transfers—Realty transfers yesterday included the following: Carrie Boll to John H. Demming, Schuylkill street, \$300; E. J. Cunkle to Catherine Mulcahey, 405 Herr street, \$1; Kandiis Shaffer to W. S. Harris, 1517 Naudain street, \$1.

No Date For Auto Hearing—No date has been fixed for the hearing of the motion for a new trial in the suit brought against Clyde Myton for violating the auto regulations of Middletown. Judge Johnson, of the Union-Snyder district, was expected here yesterday to hear the argument, but did not come.

Schaefferstown Suicide Not Entangled in Affairs of Looted National Bank

Administration Promises Statement of Supplies

C. E. SOCIETY HOLDS SOCIAL

BREAD INQUIRY CONTINUES

TREATIES ARE DISCUSSED