

Hancock Department

PRELIMINARIES OPEN TUESDAY

First of Declamations in the High School to Be Heard

The first preliminary declamation contests will be held in the Hancock high school assembly hall tomorrow afternoon when eleven of the thirty-eight students entered will appear. The plan is to devote three afternoons, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday to the declaimers. The judges will select the best speakers on these three occasions and they will be pitted against one another in a final contest at some future date.

Judges for the contest have been selected and are composed of members of the faculty, different members serving on different days. Principal Johnson announced this morning that he thought it best not to announce the names of the judges.

The student doing the best work in the preliminary contest will represent the local school in the sub-district contest, which is to be held at Calumet April 2.

The following students will speak tomorrow afternoon:

- "Reply to Hayne," Weister—George Hecker.
- "The Blue and the Gray," Lodge—Irving Schuler.
- "The New South," Gedy—Henry Schilling.
- "The Vision of Wat," Ingwood—Annie Kotila.
- "Washington," Trueblood—Herbert Kelly.

HOT TEA BREAKS A COLD—TRY THIS.

Get a small package of Hamburg Brewster Tea, or as the German folks call it, "Hamburger Brust Tee," at any pharmacy. Take a teaspoonful of the tea, put a cup of boiling water upon it, pour through a sieve and drink a teaspoon full at any time. It is the most effective way to break a cold and cure a cold, as it opens the pores, relieves congestion. Also loosens the bowels, thus breaking a cold at once. It is inexpensive and entirely vegetable, therefore harmless.—Advertisement.

"Appeal on Behalf of Ireland"—Marjorie Close.
 "Murder of Lovejoy"—Marion Mave Askill.
 "Reply to Hayne," Weister—Bennett.
 "American Flag"—William Kemp.
 "The Slavery Issue"—Olga Reimer.
 "Louise Kossuth"—Luther Larson.
 The sub-district oratorical contest for the school of the copper country will be held April 3 in the Korredge theater. John Hosking will represent the Hancock high school.

Supt. H. D. Lee of the high school announced late this morning that the upper peninsula oratorical and declamation contests will be held April 24 at Negaunee. Supt. Lee is chairman of the upper peninsula district and has charge of all arrangements for both contests as yet prepared a list of the judges for the contest but will do so in the near future.

WILL SEND DELEGATES.

Boys From Congregational Church To Attend Escanaba Conference.

It was decided yesterday morning at the regular session of the First Congregational Sunday school that the local Sunday school should be represented at the boys' conference, which is to be held at Escanaba March 29, 31 and 22. Members of the Sunday school voted to send two delegates, Messrs. Marshall and Johnson being selected as a committee to appoint the delegates. A portion of the expenses of the boys making the trip will be paid and they will be entertained while in Escanaba by the boys of that city.

Many of the boys' organization of Hancock have decided to attend the conference this year, which promises to be the best ever held. Delegates will be sent from the S. P. I. club of the First M. E. church of this city and representatives will also be present from the high school. Two delegates are supposed to be sent from each organization, but more representatives can be sent. Delegates attended the conference held at Ishpeming last year and returned with glowing accounts of the success of the meetings so that many boys are anxious to be appointed on the committee to attend this year.

John C. Shields Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Shields of Hancock, spoke in Detroit last week on "Does Law Permit Simultaneous Compensation for Lost Time and Specific Inquiry?" Mr. Shields is an attorney for the Pezzi Marquette.

Mrs. Sarah LaFortune of Painesdale, was a Hancock visitor yesterday.

FEBRUARY DOUBLES OVER.

Dover and Mitchell Take First Prize With Total of 1,152.

The rolling of the February doubles was completed on the Mitchell alley Saturday evening, the score board showing that Charles Dover and Morton Mitchell had won first place with a total of 1,152 pins. This is considered an exceptionally good score.

The following scores with the persons who rolled them appeared on the score board:

- Dover, 648; Mitchell, 512, total, 1,160;
- Rodda, 538; Prouser, 558, total, 1,112;
- Karr, 572; McHugh, 558, total, 1,131;
- Karr, 548; West, 575, total, 1,121; Franselius, 542; McHugh, 546, total, 1,088.

The Ahineek bowlers will journey to Hancock this afternoon and roll against the Mitchell team on the Mitchell alleys. The match will be commenced at 4 o'clock to enable the bowlers to witness the hockey game between the Portage Lake and Calumet teams at the Amphidrome. A match game has also been scheduled to be bowled tomorrow evening on the local alleys between the clerks and partners of the Hancock post-office. This promises to be an interesting contest, as both teams have long been rivals and have developed into excellent bowling organizations.

STRIKE IN TYOMIES RANKS.

Radicals and Conservatives Engage in Merry Wrangle.

The ranks of the Tyomies Publishing company, whose socialist newspaper is believed to have played a conspicuous part in the strike, through its representations for the federation, received a jolt recently that may be difficult to heal, according to advice from Duluth. The strife, it appears, has been created over the principles of two factions of the Socialist party that played a part in the recent litigation in Negaunee.

At any rate, the radical faction would remove Severi Abanne, the editor-in-chief, one of the conservative side. It further developed that the concern is not exceedingly profitable just at present, an exigency that may or may not be due to its stand in the strike. The matter was aired before the National Finnish Socialist convention in Duluth last week and at that time, the first details of the difficulty became known.

CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY.

The North Star Temperance society on Saturday and Sunday celebrated the twenty-sixth anniversary of its existence. General meetings were held Saturday afternoon and evening and the event concluded with an entertainment in the North Star hall last evening.

ASSOCIATION WILL MEET.

Members of Building & Loan to Convene Tomorrow Afternoon.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Northern Michigan Building & Loan association will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 in the office of the association on Quincy street. Officers and directors for the ensuing year will be elected, and the question of changing of the name to the Detroit & Northern Michigan Building & Loan association will be disposed of.

One important feature of a circular issued by the company is the fact that members of the association have felt no hardships during the strike.

"On the first day of July we matured 270 shares of stock and paid out \$37,291.26," said Charles Peniston this morning. "Since July we have paid withholding stockholders \$112,572.31 up to October 1. Besides this we have loaned \$12,577 to our members. This shows that we have not suffered from the strike."

C. D. Hanchette, secretary of the association, returned from a visit to the Detroit branch this morning. That branch was recently installed and Mr. Hanchette stated it is progressing very nicely. E. R. Tyrell, formerly executive secretary of the Detroit real estate board, is in charge of this office.

LIKE A DESERTED CITY.

Much of Population Moves to Houghton With Committee.

The congressional investigating committee, which has been in Hancock for the past few weeks to investigate the conditions of the copper country in regard to the strike, has moved to Houghton, and with the committee has gone the immense crowds which formerly filled Germania hall, where the investigations were conducted.

Formerly great crowds were seen on the streets before and after the sessions of the investigation, gathered on street corners discussing the work of the committee and the strike in general. Now similar scenes are being enacted in Houghton.

SOCIETY WILL MEET.

The regular monthly meeting of the members of the Woman's Missionary society of the First Congregational church will be held Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. John M. Wagner in East Hancock. Mrs. George Looney will have charge of the program, the title of which will be, "The Negro; What is Being Done for Him, and What is He Doing for Himself?"

Miss Clark will be the leader of the Mary and Martha club meeting this evening at the home of Miss Pennie Nichols on Franklin street.

HANCOCK BREVITIES.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Baer have returned from Milwaukee, where they attended the funeral of the late mother of Mrs. Baer, Mrs. Kaufman Baer. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. VanSlyke have returned from Florida where they spent several weeks.

Joseph Dennis will leave today for Superior where he expects to reside.

The coming wedding of Thomas Tipper of Quincy and Miss Flossie Dowrick of Marquette has been announced. The wedding will take place March 13. The sons of St. George lodge at Quincy is actively engaged in arranging for the annual Good Friday observance April 10. The exercises will follow closely the observance of other years.

Mrs. Joseph Boyer of Troy, New York, is visiting with relatives in Hancock.

Friends called on the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hall Friday evening and helped celebrate Mr. Hall's birthday. This occasion was a pleasant one for all present.

PREDICTS LORD'S RETURN.

Dr. C. J. Scofield Says He Is Trying to Live Righteously.

Chicago, March 2.—"After thirty-five years of continuous Bible study I am prepared to say that the Lord Jesus may come back at any moment," said Dr. C. J. Scofield of New York, at the International Prophetic Bible conference today. "I am 71 years of age, but I am not looking for death; I am looking for the Lord's return."

"I am not, however, as some persons might suppose, standing with folded hands, gazing up into the sky waiting for Christ to return. I am trying to live a sober, righteous and godly life in this wicked generation."

"There will be many surprises when the Lord returns to call the church out of the world. Many will say, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Thy name and done many wonderful things?' But he will reply, 'I never knew you.'"

According to figures published by the Monetary Times of Toronto, the sum total of American investments in Canada was \$638,994,000 in 1912, as compared with \$417,142,000 in 1911 and \$279,075,000 in 1909.

The value of exports from Germany to the United States during the calendar year 1913, as declared at the 22 American consulates and their 14 dependent agencies in the Empire, amounted to \$186,925,000, as compared with \$150,018,571 in 1912.

FACTORS CAUSE LOWER MARKET

Depression Due to Reactionary Tendency Says Henry Cows

New York—Reactionary tendencies were prolonged through another week. The Mexican situation appears to have been the chief depressing factor. Loyalty to the government has very properly supported the policy of "watchful waiting." But the feeling incident has caused much suppressed feeling at home as well as in Great Britain, and the hesitations of both the British government and our own upon having the real facts has produced a state of high tension in public sentiment and much uneasiness, especially should any further attempt of an anti-trust character occur in Mexico. A spark might easily start an outbreak either in Congress or in Parliament.

Another unfavorable feature was the weakness of foreign markets and the consequent selling of American securities.

At home the situation has also been slightly less favorable. Current railroad earnings are anything but satisfactory, several important systems having made poor reports, and the returns for the month of January. The returns for February are also likely to prove poor because of the severity of the winter. On the Pacific coast the large railroad companies have suffered severely from excessive floods, while in other parts of the country the heavy snowfall has interrupted traffic, and excessive low temperatures checked outside work and caused a general slackening down of industry.

In the steel trade conditions are growing more encouraging, orders for structural work having materially increased this month, and prices being better maintained. Since the year began there has been a steady improvement in the building outlook, a significant change being the increase in orders for building new industrial plants and extensions. Railroad purchases, of course, continue limited, owing to restrictions upon the financial activities of the companies, which cannot place orders with any freedom until the outcome of the rate question is more definitely ascertained.

The local money market has been slightly firmer, the period of excessively cheap money having apparently ended for the time being, but high rates need not be expected until the autumn demands begin. An unfavor-

able bank statement would cause no surprise this week, inasmuch as the banks have lost by treasury operations and by the shipping of \$2,000,000 gold to Paris. An encouraging feature is the restraining which has been put upon new donations in this market. The February total promises to run considerably below last year's total, and the output since January 1 is already more than \$200,000,000 below January and February of 1912. When it is remembered that a considerable portion of the new issues was for the purpose of taking up of short-term notes it will be seen that the actual call for new capital has been moderate, and that the financial situation has been greatly improved by turning what was really a floating debt into fixed obligations. Fully \$500,000,000 of short-term notes became due in March, including \$300,000,000 of New York Central. An arrangement has already been completed for taking care of these maturities, they are not likely to be any material effect upon money or security markets. The promptness with which desirable new issues have been absorbed shows a satisfactory investment situation.—Henry Cows.

The imports of various forms of soda, including in the Chinese customs permits under the general term of soda, but consisting mostly of soda ash, amounted in 1912 to about 22,200 short tons, valued at \$677,747 gold, as compared with 24,700 short tons, valued at \$678,672 gold in 1911.

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