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We Celebrate National Baby Week March 4 to March 11

By offering to the people of Manchester a large and up-to-date display of Childrens Carriages, Go Carts, Baby Walkers, Cribs Etc.

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Birthday Party

Last Tuesday evening the Royal Neighbors assembled at the home of Mrs. Rachel Munsie of Center street and gave her a birthday surprise party. They came abundantly supplied with choice edibles and spread a feast fit for a king. In behalf of Laurel Camp Mrs. Jennie Sheridan presented Mrs. Munsie with \$10 in gold in token of the efficient and enthusiastic services she has rendered the Camp. Other gifts presented to Mrs. Munsie on her birthday were a purse of gold from her family a raincoat from her brother-in-law, besides other tokens of minor importance. Piano solos were given by Miss Agnes Tommand and Mrs. Margaret Aitka. Vocal solos by John T. Munsie and violin solos by William Munsie. The event was a fine success in every particular and was heartily enjoyed by all.

Annual Muster

The annual muster and inspection of Company G First Infantry C. N. G. will take place next Monday afternoon and evening. Major Edward Schuttlesworth of the United States Army will be the inspecting officer. He will be accompanied by Captain

John Hickey of Hartford who is the inspecting officer for the Connecticut National Guard. Following the drill a complimentary dance will be given. Admission will be on invitation only.

Go and See It

Persons who are interested in the manufacture and use of automobiles in this community, and there are plenty of such persons here, should go to the Park theater this afternoon and evening and see the mechanical operation in the great Ford Automobile factory illustrated in moving pictures. It is a sight well worth seeing. It shows at a glance to what a high state of efficiency the manufacture of automobiles is perfected in that wonderful plant. The mechanical devices employed, the labor and time saving mechanism in use and the clock like regularity with which the work is conducted tell a story of its kind that probably is not equaled anywhere else in the world. If you want to inform yourself as to how a Ford automobile is manufactured, go to the Park theater this evening and your wants will be gratified.

The Selwitz Shoe Repairing Shop is now located at 883 Main street. Purcell Annex. South Manchester—451f

POPULAR METHODIST PASTOR IS RECALLED

FINDS MUCH FAVOR WITH PEOPLE OF HIS PARISH WHO SEEK HIS RETURN

Church Had Very Prosperous Year—Many Activities Carried Forward With Energy—Fears That Mr. Bath May Be Assigned to Larger Field.

The Fourth quarterly conference of the South Methodist church took place Tuesday evening, District Superintendent G. G. Scrivener presiding. The several reports for the conference year showed that the church was in a prosperous condition. Treasurer E. C. Stanley's report showed receipts for the year of \$10,000 and a balance in the treasury of \$15,000. Rev. W. H. Bath reported that during the past quarter the church membership had been increased by 21, that there were 16 funerals, 8 baptisms and 4 marriages. Rev. Mr. Bath recommended that a publicity committee be appointed and Mr. Bath was empowered to appoint such a committee. Mr. Bath also recommended that the church adopt a new financial plan of an every member canvass and this by vote was agreed to. This method was tried two years ago but was not kept up as it should have been, therefore another effort is to be made with the hope of proving it a success. Mr. Bath nominated the usual disciplinary committees and they were elected.

E. C. Stanley was re-elected as recording steward and Mrs. R. N. Stanley as district steward. Owing to ill health the resignation of Mrs. Mary Humphries as class leader was received and accepted with regret.

The license of William E. Keith as a local preacher was renewed. George Davidson and R. N. Stanley were elected delegates to the laymen's convention which will assemble in annual conference at Norwich. Mr. Davidson was also elected as delegate to the Willimantic Camp meeting Association. Mr. Bath reported that there had been an average attendance of 225 in the Sunday school during the past quarter. He pointed out the fact that \$1,000 had been spent on church repairs during the past year.

The license of Miss Elizabeth E. Hall as deaconess was renewed for another year. Miss Hall reported that she had made 1,400 calls during the year, had also made a thorough canvass of the parish and found that there are more than 500 families with which the church comes in contact.

A unanimous call was extended to Rev. W. H. Bath to be the pastor of the church for the coming year. The district superintendent will report this recommendation to the general conference which is to assemble in April. Mr. Scrivener expressed some doubt as to whether the wishes of the local conference could be gratified in this particular instance. He said that a number of the larger churches in the conference are looking for new pastors this year and there was a strong probability that Mr. Bath might be called to a larger field.

Mr. Bath has secured a firm foothold in the good wishes of the people of his parish. He is popular with both young and old and the desire for his return is quite general throughout his parish. He has organized a young men's bible class in the Sunday school and also a young men's club during his short stay here and both of these organizations are proving successful and popular.

He finds an excellent helpmate in his good wife, who assumes her portion of the parish burdens and enters into the work with enthusiasm, zeal and marked success. She has become an important factor in the social life of the parish and all very much desire that she and her good husband be returned to continue their excellent work in South Manchester.

Afternoon Whists

The amusement committee of South Manchester Council, No. 49, Fraternal Benefit League, has arranged a series of five afternoon whists for women. The first to be held in Foresters hall next Thursday afternoon, March 9. The subsequent sittings will be held on the afternoons of the lodge's meeting night. There will be special prizes awarded at each sitting and at the end of the series a capital prize will be awarded.

LODGE OF MOOSE TO STAGE PLAY

"Twixt Love and Money" is the title of the four-act drama to be presented by the Bungalow dramatic club at Cheney hall Wednesday and Thursday evenings, March 29 and 30th, under the auspices of Manchester Lodge Order of Moose. Ray Miller of Hartford will take the part of leading man while Miss Ann Tack of this place will be the leading lady. Edward H. Keeney will have the leading masculine comedy role, while Miss Nellie McCarthy will be the lady comedienne. Johnsons orchestra of Hartford will furnish music during the production and for the chorus work. The chorus of 16 voices is being trained in some of the latest song numbers and this will be one of the big features of the production. There will also be specialties introduced. Further details of this event will appear in The News.

MRS. P. N. LARSON STRUCK BY SLED

While returning from a shopping trip last Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Peter N. Larson met with a peculiar accident. Mrs. Larson had just descended the Summit street hill and was near the corner on that street when a "double rip" on which were seated a number of boys collided with her. She was thrown forcibly to the ground and sustained a severe injury to her leg, besides receiving several bodily bruises. It seems that the coasters got too much momentum in coming down hill and the youngster who was doing the steering lost control of the "double rip" with the result that it collided with Mrs. Larson. The boys beat a hasty retreat after the accident and Mrs. Larson had to be assisted home by some of the residents of the street. While she is still suffering with the bruises on her leg no serious results are expected from the accident.

Of course the youngsters must be provided with their amusements but it is up to the authorities of the town to forbid coasting on any of our streets, and then these accidents will not occur to pedestrians. Foster street is another street where the young people have been enjoying coasting and there have been several narrow escapes from serious accidents on that street. The practice should be stopped.

Preparing For Bazar

The officers and members of Company G, First Infantry C. N. G. are waxing enthusiastic in preparation for the big military bazar which they are to conduct at the Armory April 25 to 29 inclusive.

The various activities of the event are distributed among the following leaders: Entertainment committee, Private William Sheekey; Printing and advertising, Private John McCallum; music and dancing, Corporal Joseph Dillsworth; concessions, Lieutenant William Newman; secretary of general committee, Sergeant Herbert Bissell; treasurer, Lieutenant John J. Holmes.

Enoch Arden

The Womens Foreign Missionary Society of the South M. E. church will present Strauss's musical setting of Enoch Arden at the music room of Watkins Brothers store next Wednesday evening, March 8, starting at 8 o'clock. Mrs. William Harvey Bath will be the reader and Miss E. Hastings, of Middletown will be the accompanist. In conjunction with the reading there will be cornet solos by Abbot Davis of Middletown. The members of the society have a few tickets which they will dispose of, but the attendance is limited owing to the scant seating arrangements of the music room.

Engagement Announced

Thomas and Mrs. Gardiner of Hackmatack street announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Ethel, to Edward D. Hoff of East Orange, N. J. Miss Gardiner is a native of South Manchester, a graduate of the South Manchester High School, of the New Britain Normal School, and at present is teaching school at East Orange, N. J., a position which she has held for several years.

The express to Barnside cars from city hall Hartford were put in operation by the local tramway company last Wednesday. The restoration of this express service will be highly appreciated by residents of South Manchester generally.

DEPENDENT CHILDREN HOW TO CARE FOR THEM

SUBJECT INTELLIGENTLY DISCUSSED BY DR. HASTINGS HART-EXPERT

System of County Homes Tried and Found Wanting. Private Family Best Place. Experts Needed Supervise Matter. State Aid Should Be Had.

Dr. Hastings Hart, of the Childs Welfare Department of the Russell Sage Foundation of New York City gave a very interesting and enlightening address at the Assembly hall of the high school last Wednesday evening on "The Care of Dependent Children." It was unfortunate that more of our citizens did not avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing this address by one of the most able authorities on this subject in this country. Dr. Hart spoke very rapidly for one hour and drove home some very salient points as to the care of dependent, delinquent and defective children. He has given a great many years to the study of this great problem and he handled his subject as only an expert could handle it.

The address was arranged by the Educational Club, The Cosmopolitan Club, a committee of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce and a committee of citizens appointed by the selection to investigate the needs of a childrens home in this town. Dr. Hart was brought to this place to give the committee the results of his experience and advice and in this he told his audience that the institutional home for dependent children was wrong. His experience was that the children should be cared for in private homes. He laid great stress on the fact, however, that experts should be employed to investigate the dependent children, their homes, parents and surroundings and also the homes in which they were to be placed. He urged careful and painstaking visitations to see that the child was being properly cared for in order that the state might benefit in good citizenship when the child developed into maturity. Dr. Hart's address was one of the best of its kind ever given in this town and it was to be regretted that more of our citizens did not hear his able discourse.

Dr. Hart said at the outset that he was deeply interested in the work that Connecticut had set out to accomplish for dependent, defective and delinquent children. This state was among the first to realize that there was much to be done for this class of unfortunate and it had several very excellent institutions and some very able caretakers, but for some reason or other it had not followed up the work it set out to do. Connecticut was the only state in the union that maintained a county childrens home in each of its counties, but the promise of good work that was early foreshadowed had not been fulfilled. Not one in ten of its dependent children had been properly cared for. The county childrens home method had been tried and found wanting, but still this state has not abandoned the system.

He characterized the Connecticut Childrens Aid Society as the very best organization for dealing with its unfortunate children. He deplored the fact however that the state did not provide for this society. It was maintained by private individuals and as such a great many people in the state did not have faith in it, while a great many more persons never heard of the organization. It was his belief that the system as employed by the Connecticut Childrens Aid Society was absolutely correct and the one that would eventually be adopted. Before this is done it will have to be broader in its scope and be a state organization.

It is only in recent years that the study of childrens welfare has received very serious consideration. We have allowed the matter to go along by a system of pure luck and chance, very often the child being the sufferer of this. We were just beginning to study the child. It calls for a great deal of intelligent study. Dr. Hart maintained that the state should care for dependent children under four years of age. It does not provide for them now, but this is a matter that is left with each community. Instead of intelligent care, very often the child has little or no care and in this

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a great mistake is being made. The system in Connecticut is more benevolent than otherwise. Attention is called to a dependent child. It is dependent for some reason or other over which it had no control. The town feels it should do something. Someone goes and sees the child. It looks to you as a friend, trusts you. It is entirely without blame and cannot choose for itself. You decide to care for the child. Then someone prides into the affairs of the home and of the parents if there are any. An effort is made to find if the parents are fit to bring up the child. Perhaps it is found that the parents are not able to rear the child properly. It is then the arm of the law steps in and takes the child from its parents. This is indeed a grave responsibility. You take the child, now what are you going to do with it? Give him a home, a father, mother, religious and vocational training, in fact you are charged with the responsibility of fixing the child's future. It is a delicate problem and one that needs the greatest care and consideration. The principal thing to do is to get started right. Where does the child get its manners, its bringing up? There was a time when we thought it unnecessary to get persons properly trained to care for our dependent children. A superannuated clergyman, some elderly person, or a politician was generally placed at the heads of our institutions. No regard whatever was given to training or qualifications for the position. Now things have changed. We want and insist upon getting the very best talent we can employ. We must pay more money for trained and qualified persons. Dr. Hart disapproved of our system here. We must find out what is the matter with the child and what we should do. The first question to ascertain: is it a proper child to be cared for? Parents: Are they proper persons to care for the child? Do they need help, or are they wholly dependent? Investigate the physical conditions of the parents. A baby has a perfect right to nurse at the breast of a healthy mother in order to give it a fair start in life. Investigate the conditions of the relatives of the child and find out if they cannot care for the dependent. "Blood is thicker than water." Ascertain the physical condition of the child. Is it healthy, or does it need special care and is there danger of infection to other children? All these questions must be carefully weighed and this by a competent and expert person. The study of children is a great work. The study of feeble minded children is a revelation. A feeble minded child is not a criminal, nor is it insane, but it should be put in a colony for feeble minded persons. It is shown that not one person in ten who is insane is dangerous. A feeble minded person however might be dangerous. Dr. Hart said that institutional homes for children had proven to be

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INTEREST AROUSED IN NEW TRADE SCHOOL

LARGE NUMBER OF VISITORS AT PUBLIC INSPECTION LAST MONDAY

Many Persons Surprised With Equipment of School and Facilities at Hand to Acquire Trade Education

The public inspection of the state trade school in the Franklin school building last Monday evening was attended by about two hundred men, women and children and many of the older folks were surprised with the work that is being carried on in this new institution of education.

By special arrangement the entire school was open for inspection from seven to eight-thirty o'clock. All departments being in operation with the students actively at work in the several branches.

Following the inspection there was a lecture on trade school work by F. J. Trinder, superintendent of trade schools in Connecticut.

Mr. Trinder started his talk with some figures showing that there were twenty-five million boys and girls in our schools. Of this number a little less than one million graduate from the high school.

ACTIVE FORESTERS CLASS INITIA TION

The officers and members of The Court Manchester No. 107 Foresters of America are looking forward with pleasurable anticipation to the big class initiation which is to take place at the Rockville court on Monday, April 14.

Mr. Trinder illustrated his lecture with lantern slides of views taken in several of the trade schools in various parts of the country that is being done by the students.

His Mother's Gift

It Came to Him on St. Patrick's Day.

By F. A. MITCHEL

Emmett Nolan, a young man living in County Tipperary, Ireland, was one day doing a hard job of thinking.

"What are you thinking about, Emmett?" asked his mother. "I was thinking about the fact that you can't see a yard before you can see a mile."

"What are you going to do, Emmett?" she asked in a friendly way. "I am going to do what I can to get on my feet."

"You must leave both father and mother," she said. "I am going to do what I can to get on my feet."

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