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Hospital Association met yesterday afternoon in the Sunday school room of St. Paul's Lutheran Church. The report of the fair committee was not presented and will not be published until the work of the press committee is completed. This may be done within a week.

Arrangements were made for a strawberry and ice cream festival to be held in June. The time and place will be fixed at a future meeting. The proposition introduced into councils at the Tuesday evening meeting looking to the sale by the city of the reservoir lot in the west end of the city to the Hospital Association was heartily endorsed. The sum of \$1 is to be paid for the lot. The tract contains about six acres of ground and covers the space from Turner to Linden streets, between Fifteenth and West. The property owned by the Hospital Association purchased by the Ladies' Auxiliary is between Sixteenth and Seventeenth and Chew and Gordon streets. Several years ago when the hospital project was started a similar proposition was made, but it was impossible by law for the city to give its property away for the purpose intended. Since then an act of assembly has made such an act possible and the association desires the city lot on which to erect its building.

Should councils see fit to give the lct the association propose to erect its building there and convert the place into a public breathing place. The space in front of the building would be sodded, trees planted and walks laid. The city is to remain the owner of the property, so that in case of a dissolution of the association it would be theirs to use it as they see fit. In the hospital building the association proposes to have four beds for the exclusive use of the citizens of the city if they be required. The present property of the association can be sold at a profit of from \$1000 to \$1500, which, added to the \$10,000 already on hand, would be sufficient to enable the association to erect its executive building and set the project in operation. The subscriptions by the citizens of Allentown would be proportionately less as the association gains a financial footing. The ordinance is now before the finance committee, who, it is expected, will report it favorably. The committee of the association to whom the subject was referred consists of J. R. Gossler, Henry Leh and A. Samuels.