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News of the Neighborhood

The catpaws are in bloom. Mrs. L. A. Kenyon returned from a seven weeks' visit in Missouri.

Allan Harmat has returned after a pleasant trip to Beloit, Wisconsin. Frank Blair and wife, of Chicago, were visitors in town over Sunday.

Miss Verha, Nash, of Oneida, Illinois, is visiting J. W. Nash and family. James Chilvers has had his residence nicely painted and it looks up well.

Mr. Dawes and daughter Lillian, are spending the week in Sandwich, Ill. Your credit is good with The Reporter; subscribe and pay when handy.

A new roof is being placed on the C. E. Hodges' home on Whiffen place. Samuel Johnston and family left Monday for a ten days' visit in Wisconsin.

I. Brandenburg and wife have just returned from a trip to Indianapolis, Indiana. Miss Ruth Anderson, of Waboo, Nebraska, is a guest at the home of A. E. Olson.

Mrs. C. V. Carpenter and three sons are spending the summer in northern Michigan. They are guests of the Squawtoe club at Charlevoix.

Keep the grass cut. Now is the time to have your lawns in good shape. It looks as if you were at home and wide-awake to the sense of beauty.

George Hillard is decorating his house in white and green. It looks fine. Nothing like fresh paint to improve the looks of a home.

Miss Florence Walker, who taught here in schools for over two years, has secured a position in Indianapolis at a salary of \$7000.00 per year. Want to see some pretty roses?

Just go up to J. E. K. Robbin's corner on Highland avenue. They have a genuine sylvan look about them. Mr. Bockefeller has done a lot of mowing since he has been in Chicago, but that won't prevent him from raising the price of oil when he acts homey.

The gas company found it necessary to lower their pipes on East Maple avenue from Main street to the creek, a large force of men are engaged at the job.

There are some trees over on Summit street that drop down so that the walks are almost impossible. The owners should have some trimmed at once.

Samuel Hoffert is back from Mt. Clemens and is able to be about. He still has a few touches of the rheumatism, but expects to be rid of it in a few weeks.

The Inter Ocean newspaper has a solicitor going about taking orders for that paper and giving a premium of a beautiful clock or a lamp. If you want one call up 612.

At any rate Judge Landis discovered that the Standard is fully able to pay any fine he may impose in connection with the "rebate" case and that was what he was after.

Last month was the coldest June in twenty-five years, according to the weather bureau. That ought to shut up the old folks who tell us about what happened when they were young.

Mrs. Mary Nourse has been attending the young people's conference at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, and Miss Alice Nourse has returned from visiting friends at Madisonville, Kentucky.

E. M. Gallup of Highland avenue, has had his lot about his residence filled in considerably and it now presents a very neat appearance. A new cement walk is being laid about the house.

A boy and a girl, each fourteen years old, were married in Tennessee, with the consent of their parents. Starting thus early, each of them ought to be able to break all divorce records before they die.

The sweet girl graduates having spread sorrowful thoughts, high ideals and stirring advice to every corner of the country will now turn themselves to sentimental philosophy and practical courteship.

Mr. and Mrs. William Woodson celebrated their silver wedding anniversary Thursday, July 4. Quite a number of guests were present and presented Mr. and Mrs. Woodson with several very handsome presents.

Mrs. J. C. Pelton, of Dayton, Iowa, has been spending the last two weeks with her niece, Mrs. James Downer, but left Tuesday for Chicago, where she expects to stay a week and then return to her home.

J. R. Foster has purchased the Marsh cottage on South Washington street, formerly owned by Mrs. Emma J. Miller, having water and sewer connections made, also other needed repairs preparatory to leasing.

C. V. Wolf and family are now nicely located in their new home on Prairie avenue near the Wolf greenhouses. They have a beautiful and cosy home, which gives an improved appearance to that part of the avenue.

It is predicted that July will be a month of threatening storms, with but very little rainfall, as the rain is to come in spurts and be of very short duration. There will not be enough rain to answer the needs of the country.

At a spelling match in Sangamon county, two lads from rural schools could not be spelled down although they spelled from one o'clock p. m. to five o'clock p. m. and spelled twice through the book. The prize was divided between them.

Instructions have been given to have all the trees with drooping branches trimmed. The chief of police will notify property owners who have trees that grow inside the curb line and the branches droop over the walks to trim same at once.

"Don't you think we ought to have more laws to regulate the railroads?" "No," answered the apprehensive-looking citizen. "I don't think we ought to do anything that might make the railroads more resentful. You see, I'm a commuter."

If you have any complaints about your telephone service you should call up the chief operator who will straighten out the trouble for you. Always remember that the operators have to serve the public and cannot argue out matters with you.

TRADE AT HOME.

There has never been a time in the history of Downers Grove when the advantages of trading at home have been so marked. Never have our tradesmen shown such ambition and energy and effort to cater to the trade of our residents, and the people are responding to their offers by investigating, becoming acquainted with the stores and the stocks carried and being convinced that in many instances they can buy their goods just as cheap in their home town as they can in the city, without going through the ordeal such as shopping in the city is known to be.

He will be one of the strong attractions. John H. Haddon of Nebraska, stereoptican entertainer, will greatly delight with his illustrated songs and moving pictures. His wife, Mrs. Anna Haddon, soloist and lecturer, will assist him in his entertainments.

Mrs. Mae Guthrie Tongler of California, National Lecturer of the W. C. T. U. She takes her audience by storm and surpasses the highest expectations of her hearers.

The King's Daughters' Quarter of Stravator are very highly spoken of and are sure to please and entertain the most critical audiences.

John H. Haddon of Pennsylvania, "The Black Knight" who next to Booker Washington is the greatest colored orator in America. He is a wonderful speaker, very witty and entertaining and never fails to carry a crowd. He is a full blooded Zulu, and is proud of his blood.

The committee having in charge this Chautauque desire to assure the public that all arrangements have been completed and that the Chautauque will certainly be held. The ticket committee will be to see you. Be certain to take tickets at once, as we desire to get 300 tickets sold before the opening night in order that we may get the 60 per cent of the tickets above 150 to go into the local treasury to be used for future Chautauque purposes.

This Chautauque is backed by all classes of citizens. The committee of 15 is composed of representatives from the merchants, the ministers, the W. C. T. U., the churches and all the citizens generally. It is brought here for the good of the community. The price of ticket for entire course is but \$1.00. The ticket is of the coupon style and is transferable. Anyone not purchasing tickets will be charged 25 cents at the door for each entertainment.

Children under 10 years are admitted free with their parents. A children's ticket for children between 10 and 16 years of age will be sold for 50 cents. The Chautauque will be held in a big tent. Let every citizen support this movement for a permanent Chautauque here.

Tickets are on sale at the Grove Hotel, Gerwig's Grocery, Bonnell's Bakery, The Fair, Bradbury & Caldwell's Bakery, Hoffert's Confectionery and Mary Deuener's.

Among the Churches

Subject of the lesson memory of Rev. Church of Christ, Scientist, for July 14, is "Sacrament." The text will be taken from Hebrews 13:16. Reading room open every Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. M. J. Farrar.

Methodist Episcopal church services—Class meeting at 10 a. m. Preaching by pastor at 10:45, morning. Sunday school at noon. Epworth League at 6:30, evening. In the evening a Chautauque vesper service will be conducted followed by a song service, and ten minutes address by pastor.

Baptist Church.—The pastor, Dr. W. I. Prescott, will preach morning and evening; tomorrow morning, subject, "The Power of Personal Influence." Sunday school at 12 o'clock. R. Y. Y. U. at 6:30 o'clock. At the evening hour the third of summer Sunday evening talks, "Jesus' Mother," will be the interesting subject. Fine music at all these services. You are especially invited.

Cass Correspondence

Ella Heavitt, of Monticello, Ind., is spending a few days with the family of Ira Heavitt.

Small fruits, such as cherries, raspberries, currants and gooseberries, are almost a total failure in this vicinity. The oat blight is causing whole fields of oats to turn brown in Cass and vicinity and is expected to damage the crop to some extent.

Mrs. M. Powell and daughter, Miss Francis, of Chicago, spent the Fourth and until the Sunday following, with relatives and friends in Cass.

Hon. M. B. Madden and family are expected in Cass this week. Mr. Madden came to Chicago from his eastern trip by rail and his family followed from New York in their automobile.

Children were camped on the Middle road, near Centre Cass, last Sunday. They told the fortunes of some of the farmers for eggs and it is related that one gave them a pan filled with eggs for light on the "past and future." They told him he had had an "oche" in his back and that he had all kinds of hard luck, that his pocket book was usually empty but a large fortune was awaiting him at the next future.

Little Leona Ervans is injured by a Roman Candle Explosion. It was thought that Downers Grove young people had occupied the usual incidents on July 4, but such was not the case. Leona, the little five year old daughter of Frank Ervans, of 47 Eugene street, met with an accident that looked serious at the time but happily, though painful, will not bring any ill results. It seems that she with her father, Frank Ervans, were setting off a Roman candle when it exploded and burned the little girl's hands badly. Her father was also burned somewhat. Dr. Gourley was called at once and dressed the wound so there was no danger from tetanus or lockjaw, which is the most to be dreaded in these "glorious Fourth" accidents. At this writing the little sufferer is getting along nicely.

CAUGHT STEALING BERRIES

Two Boys and a Girl Are Before Judge Graham. On Sunday last W. D. Herrick caught a number of young folk in his berry patch helping themselves. He did not know all of them but he did know a young girl about fourteen years old, named Watson, and two small boys named Fitch. He had them summoned before Judge Graham who heard evidence and continued the case till this afternoon when it will be decided whether the young folk will be sent to Wheaton or their parents will be compelled to pay fines for them. Mr. Herrick states that he has been bothered a lot lately with children taking his vegetables and fruits and he is determined it shall stop.

MEET AN UNTIMELY DEATH

Harvey Lehman, of Lacey, Killed Near LaGrange on Sunday. Master Harvey Lehman, a lad about fifteen years of age, son of the Lacey blacksmith, accidentally fell from a Burlington suburban train near LaGrange last Sunday shortly after noon and was instantly killed. Along with his brother and some friends he had started to witness a ball game at Riverside. The accident cast a deep gloom over Lacey and vicinity. Harvey was a lad well and favorably known. The funeral took place on Wednesday afternoon. The interment was at Lacey cemetery. There seems to be quite a mystery connected with the death of the young man, but as much of the facts as can be gathered it is said that Lehman was sitting in the baggage car and some say stuck his feet out the door, others say stuck his head out and was struck by the stone abutments of the overhead railroad bridge near LaGrange. He lived only ten minutes after he was struck.

HE'S OFF FOR FARAWAY ALASKA

William Furlong Will Spend Three Months in that Country. William Furlong, of West Cortina street, left Thursday morning for a three months' trip to Alaska where he goes to look after the interests of the Mt. Drum Mining and Milling company, which corporation owns several claims that need attention at once. This is the same company that John Bradbury represented in Alaska for four years. Mrs. Furlong will spend the time her husband is absent in Michigan with relatives.

PAVING WORK HAS BEGUN

Contractor Fletcher Has Men and Teams at Work. Paving operations have started in Downers Grove. Contractor Fletcher has several men and teams at work on South Main street. The first work is the excavation being made. In some places a couple of feet must be removed. This earth will be graded up on

each side to make the parkway uniform. This is a plan seldom followed, as in most cases contractors just make the pavement and haul off or sell the earth that is excavated and the parkways are left in their original condition. Some people will improve them, others will not, and so the beauty of the street is spoiled by the irregularity. In accordance with the contract here the contractor must build the parkway also so that when he is through the whole street from the sidewalk to sidewalk will be a complete job. Paving will make such a difference to Downers Grove in its appearance in a year that the oldest residents will hardly know the place, we believe. Work will begin next Monday on Maple avenue. It will start up near W. Scott Ryan's residence because the contractor wants to get the west end done during the month of July when he has some assurance of good weather. There being no cross streets between the corporation line and Carpenter street the blocking of Maple avenue in bad weather would be very disagreeable and inconvenient.

SPLENDID CHAUTAUQUE TALENT

Downers Grove Will Have Some Noted People Here. As per previous announcement the following talent has been secured for the Downers Grove Chautauque assembly, giving six days of delightful entertainment, amusement and education, commencing on Tuesday, July 23, and continuing through Sunday, August 4, with two sessions per day, afternoon and evening.

James Robert Barkley of Iowa, cartoonist, clay modeler, and crayon lecturer will give chink talks of a most instructive character, illustrated by rapid crayon drawings and clay models made in the presence of the audience. He is fine!

Carl C. Conyryman of Chicago, impersonator, poet, reader and lecturer. He is witty, dramatic, humorous and original in his readings and impersonations. His lectures charm and please the audiences wherever he is heard.

The Saffins of New York are singers with voices of unusual range and power. They sing with harmony and sweetness and are always invited to return to cities that they visit.

Chief among the attractions is Eugene W. Chafin, L.L.B., of Chicago, who has no peer as a lecturer on political science and is one of the truly great orators of America. Look out for the announcement of his lectures on "Lincoln, The Man of Sorrow," of which the Fulton Democrat says, "Chafin's masterly oration on Abraham Lincoln 'The Man of Sorrow,' was the most original, surprising and delightful address ever heard in our city. This lecture would be cheap at \$1.00 a ticket."

"Prof. Alvin M. Thatcher of Boston, the renowned ham scientist and one of the greatest platform speakers of America. He will be one of the strong attractions.