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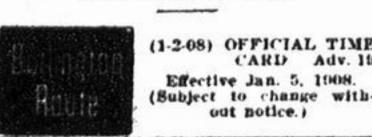
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The paragraphers could have a good al more fun with the name of Mme. MTSKATA If it was not such work to write it," says the Roch-Democrat and Chronicle. Bless meighbor, we don't mind that; it's id practice for our typewriters, and which a change from the names of Depan, Day, Taft, Lawson and Hetty

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How widespread is the interest of porkingmen in one another's welfare, men were engaged in the dismarue of their duty to organized labor at the time they were shot. The fund an come from every State in the Union and from labor organizations representalmost every department of industry. The total of nearly ten thousand follow is a very substantial token of a familing of brotherhood.

of efficiency, of kindliness and win things are the curse of our crimwait for a trial. But when Hims for his pardon. And the ret in that we have more murders, se lynchings and a smaller average legal penalties exacted for crime

Chio, recently, more than hundred and seventy children lost lives. They had practiced a regflowdellt; they marched out, as singing; and their teachers kept seeds and acted promptly and Three things, however, more powerful than training and door; the fire-drill as practiced man and only, instead of to both : there were no adequate fire-esol anywhere in America

GOOD ROADS.

THE IMPORTANCE OF GOOD ROADS.

One of the most important and pressing social and economic questions before the people to-day is that of improving the highways. Its importance can hardly be overstated. The food supply of the world passes on wagons over country roads. In tonnage it equals or exceeds the aggregate of railway traffic. The condition of the public roads affects the market conditions and through these it reaches every citi-

zen. Bad roads interfere with the regular distribution of food products. resulting in an erratic and inconstant supply for a fixed and regular demand. The result is that some of the consumers must go without certain articles for the time being, while others are forced to pay higher prices therefor. The farmer in the meantime suffers loss from his lnability to reach the market with what he has to sell.

The cost of delivering products over bad roads is two or three times greater than performing the same service over good roads. The general improvement of the highways of the country is vastly more important to the people as a whole than the building of the Panama Canal, the Improvement of the Inland Waterways, the Irrigation of the Semi-Arid Lands, or the building

of the Lakes-to-the-Gulf Waterway. Every man, woman and child in the land is directly affected by road conditions, therefore the question is not a local issue but one that concerns the whole people, and is one for the whole people to solve.

WHAT OTHER STATES ARE DOING The equitable, rational and practicable plan for highway improvement in America is of recent birth. Some fifteen years ago in the State of New Jersey the proposition was put forth that the State, from the general freaury, ought to pay a part of the cost of building good roads good roads meaning those built with a stone or gravel wearing surface, in a substan-

tial, durable manner. After a most bitter fight (and one in which the farmers who at first led the agreement to the movement subsequently became the champlons of the cause) the necessary law was pussed whereby the State pays one-third the cost of such hard reads as the local authorities decide to build, and to begin with appropriated \$30,000 a year for that purpose. The movement grew in favor so rapidly and the demand for roads was so great that the appropriation was doubled, redoubled and still increased until five times the original amount was expended. The fight which at first was against any State appropriation, soon changed to a demand for increased appropriations for road building.

Connecticut and Massachusetts followed the lend of New Jersey; the former paying two-thirds and the latter three-quarters of the cost. Then came New York with the Highie-Armstrong State Ald Law, under which an appropriation of \$50,000 was made to begin the campaign. Although at first it was bitterly opposed, it soon became popular and the appropriation was doubled and quadrupled. The farmers who at first opposed the scheme som became so clamorous for the new roads that five years ago the legislature passed a joint resolution for a constiintional amendment to provide for a bond issue of fifty millions of dollars to be expended through State aid upon the highways. The amendment was carried by a large majority, making available \$30,000,000 for State aid durmaily of another who was killed, by ing the succeeding ten years. What from \$50,000 to \$50,000,000

> Pennsylvania began with an appropriation of \$150,000 for State aid and in three years it appropriated \$6,000, 000 for that purpose,

> Indiana has built the largest number of miles of hard roads of any State in the Union; enough, in fact, to circle the globe at the equator, and has done this principally by bond issues, spreading the cost over a series of years. issued in Indiana at the rate of from one to two millions of dollars per year. Within the last few years 35 per cent of all highwars have thus been furproved, as against a little over 8 per

At the last session of the legislature in Illinois a law was passed permit ting townships and road districts to issue ten-year bonds, drawing not ex reeding 5 per cent interest, for building hard roads. This is the first practical step in Illinois toward permanently solving the road building problem.

Michigan has a peculiar law where by the State pays a reward or bonus, ranging from \$250 up to \$1,000 a mile for good roads built, the amount being graded according to the class of the road: a macadam road being garded as the best, draws the highest

At the last session of the Ohio legis sture a State aid law was passed and

Two large paintings and seven water colors by theen, painted while he was roung, have been discovered at Nit-Dalen, Sweden, in the possession of the ridow of one of Ibsen's friends. It is rell known that the dramatist during painting. So far only two paintings and two water colors were known, belonging to a private collection. They all were painted during his youth.

The bank at Bremen, Kan., having been burned, experts in the treasury department at Washington have figured nest It is out that a quart of ashes sent on for redemption will be worth about \$4,000.

> Higgins, a cocker spaniel of New York city, whose hind legs are paralysed, is strapped backwards into a small two-wheeled go-cart and gets along guite well, thank you.

Local Happenings

(Continued from Page One.)

---Optimism reigns--get the habit. -Mrs. Brandenburg entertained a friend from the city on last Thursday.

-Home-made veal loaf and cooked corn beef at L. Klein's.

-Mr. and Mrs. Rex Hawkins entertained relatives from Chicago on Eas

-Mrs. Dr. Bebb and Mrs. H. D. Wyllie have returned from a week's

visit in Buda. -Mrs. W. W. Gourley's sister, who has been spending a few months with her, will soon return to England.

-John Elliott of East Grove, who has been so seriously ill, is somewhat

-Mrs. Emma Wheeler has returned from the South, where she has spent

-Heintz and Armour's baked beans, Richelieu canned goods, at L. Klein,

-Mrs. Jewett's Sunday school class was entertained at the home of Mrs. Prince last week.

-Atmosphere cleared.

-Mrs. George Foster is convalescing from an injury to her foot that has been of a serious nature. -Mr. and Mrs. N. Thunle and fam-

ily of La Grange spent last Sunday

with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Brown. -The Ladies' Aid of the United Brethren church of East Grove met at the home of Mrs. John Brown Thurs-

-Miss Lillie Radke has taken the position of cashier at Louis Kiein's meat market. Twenty-five ride tickets

can be had as usual. -Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Gillsple are entertaining relatives from the West at their pleasant home, 94 Fairmont ave-

- Friday night, May 1, the Neighbor bood Club will give a dinner and five bundred party at the residence of Mr.

and Mrs. Bathird Waples, - Good quality full bolted 4-passen-

& Mochel's. -- Results count.

-Miss Mildred Starr of Mount Vernon, Ohlo, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Murphy the past week, left for her home Thursday.

mined at cards on Monday evening. their wedding anniversary. A most de-

President Hughes and they will be act

Beauty Lancheon" given by the Chirago Press League at the Auditorium,

-We publish this wek a series of of education on the construction and care of highways. Their value to farmers and effect on trade in general.

-Armour's lawn and garden fertil lzer, 31, cente per lb., or \$1,60 for 50. lb sack. At Mertz & Mechel's,

-Walter Farrar spent an evening with 8. II. Frey and family at Orden I tah, last week. Their many friends

a record! Within five years Jumping the resper hour in the Congregations Church next Sunday. The choir of about twenty voices, under the lender ship of Mr. B. L. Kellogg, will sing,

> -Caucus ticket ratified. -Have your harness repaired and

at C. Penner's,

-Mr. Thomas Murray and family will soon occupy the home of Mrs. Kelogg, vacated by Prof. Searles, and Mr. Charles Caldwell and family will return to their own home on Curtiss

Sunday. Mr Adams, the new rector gave a splendid sermon. Singing by the boy choir and a fine solo was sung by Mr. L. Edwards. -The time for making connections

pired and there are still some 200 ouses that will have to be connected. Better get busy and let H. J. Hawkins give you a figure on the job.

-Good mixed lawn seed at 13c lb. Barnard's Perpetual Green choice mixed lawn seed, 20c lb. White clover seed, 20c lb. At Mertz & Mochel's.

-The dance at Dicke's Hall Monday evening was a decided success, both as to attendance and quality. There were quite a few Hinsdale couples present. Miss Emma Nielson taking the sil-

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suburban neighbor. The music was first class and the band orchestra is working up quite a reputation for high-class dance music and for running

good, clean, enjoyable dances.

-Are you thinking of making a gar den? Visit C. V. Wolf's greenhouses and make your selection from a large variety of plants,

-Plevka & MacDougail have just received one ton of axle grease that will be sold at prices that will surprise you. -Mr. and Mrs. Henry Woelferheim day. spent Easter with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hammerschmidt, at Naper-

MUSICAL AND LITERARY EN-TERTAINMENT.

On Tuesday evening, April 28th, at the Baptist Church, a musical and literary entertainment will be given for the benefit of the Young Men's Club. Admission will be free, but a silver offering will be taken. The entertainmen will consist of quartettes, ducts, solos and readings, by local talent. This is a worthy cause and is deserving of the support of all who are interested in our boys. A large audience and a generous offering are therefore ex-

The Young Meu's Club has generousy given an oyster supper and a lecture. and it is to be regretted that they were not more enthusiastically patronized. It is hoped that on this occasion the people of Downers Grove will demonstrate that they are interested in the existence of the Young Men's Club.

R. L. KELLOGG.

THE LAST CHANCE.

Prof. Knapp will make his last trip

He will lecture for thirty minutes on l so far as we know no subject will be of more vital help to officers and teach-

as he goes to Ohio on the same night. the Congregational Church.

order in class or school.

ger lawn swings at \$5.75 each, at Mertz CONVENTION OF COOK COUNTY S. S. ASSOCIATION.

The 49th annual convention of the Cook County Sunday School Association is being held at the Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church, in Chicago, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of -Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Daniels enter-Libis week. A splendid program is being given, together with a banquet, each evening. Thursday's banquet was lightful evening was enjoyed by the for the superintendents; Friday's was the teachers' training banquet, that of -Trustees Singleterry and Bradbury to night is for the adult Rible classes. have handed in their resignations to Miss Carrie Barmore and Mrs. E. W. Lewis participated in the banquet and ed on at the next meeting of the enjoyed the programme of Friday evening. Miss Carrie Barmore and L. M. -Mrs. A. P. Daniels attended the Cook and wife are in attendance this

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SCHOOL ELECTION

The school election last Saturday resulted in returning J. R. Foster as President and Mrs. Mary Burns Trustee, with the addition of Haller. This is Mrs. Burns' second oiled in preparation for spring work term and she certainly deserved the bonor of a re-election on account of the efficient way in which she fulfilled the duties of the office for the two

> Bobby is the son of a Methodist minister, and has had the experience of "moving" four times in the space of his eight years of life. Some time ago an elderly minister was visiting Bobby's father, and the course of the conversation turned to heaven and Bobby was asked concerning the abode of the blessed. "Yes," said the youngster, with a sigh of deep weariness, "I know, It's the last place we're going to move

> The total value of the stone product of the country in 1906 was \$66,378,794 an increase of \$2,570,046 over that o 1905, and an increase of \$42,413,565 over that of 1996.

> > That She Asked Him.

The maid may be a "buchus one." Be pink-cheeked and delicious: But still, if she gets wed this year We're bound to be suspicious.

Naperville Doings

-Mrs. Noel Alspaugh spent last week with relatives in Chicago.

-N. F. Obright was a visitor here last Saturday and Sunday.

-Elsle and Emmett Stenger spent Easter with relatives in Barrington, Ill.

-Sammy Schwartz of Chicago was a Naperville caller Friday and Satur-

-Mrs. J. Klelhoefer has gone Mansfield, Ohio, for a visit of severa weeks -Miss Hazel Saxe of Riverside spent

Sunday at the home of Miss Louie -Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Moyer spent the week end at Niagara Falls with rela-

tives and friends. -Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Litgens of Ba-

tavia spent Easter at the home of her mother, Mrs. Wm. Nadelhoffer. -- Edna Dienst is spending her Easter racation at home. She came from Wat-

erman Hail, Sycamore, last Friday. -James O. Monroe, editor of the Northern Illinois Democrat, West Chi ago, will enter the Democratic prima ries as a candidate for Governor of III

-Local members of Aurora Coa mandery, Knights Templar, and their ladies attended Easter services at the People's church, Aurora, Sunday night. Sir Knight Rev. W. E. Abel of Earlville delivered the sermon.

-Born-To Mr. and Mrs. Frank N. Perry, April 18, a daughter. To Mr. and Mrs. William F. Hartman, April 20, a daughter. To Mr. and Mrs. Joe Renner, April 14, a daughter. To Mr. to Downers Grove next Tuesday, April and Mrs. Geo. Knoch. April 17, a

daughter. -Within sight of his horrified father the "Sunday School in Session," and and about forty witnesses who stoud poweriess on the river bank, Mariel Meroidt of the Elgin National Watch Company gymnasium, was drowned at He must return by the 9 o'clock train. The Milwaukee bridge across the Fox river at Elzin at 11 o'clock Saturday We begin punctually at 8 o'clock at | norning. He was walking across the railroad bridge in company with his Bring questions about order and disc father when he caught his foot between the ties and fell into the river.

The tipod Roads Joke. If the New York to-Paris automobile race did nothing eise, it has at east shown this country and the world that the American good road is largely a thing of imagination, or at least a great rarity. The cars all made poor progress across the country, and possibly the American car managed to keep in the lead because its driver was more accustomed to the blind trails that pass as roads in some sections of the country. It may be contended by some that the slow progress was due to the bad weather encountered, but that merely adds prominence to the poor condition of the American highways. The beauty of a good road is that it does no change its condition as often as th weather; every shower of rain or flurry of show does not render it impassable. Chicago. This was one of the events of MEY & KAILER, PAINTERS AND America may as well acknowledge its deficiency in the matter of roads, as i is pretty well understood, anyway; the thing to do is to try to remedy the diffleulty. There is certainly no other country on the map which makes claims to anywhere helf our progress and resources which is willing to worry along with any old trail as a public thoroughfure. True, the United States is a new country and time is needed to perfect an excellent system of roads, but certainly American progress in this direction does not compare favorably with our advancement in other ways. Some very good roads are being constructed in different parts of the coun-

try, but not nearly all is being don that could be without oppression of great inconvenience. Many matters of considerably less importance secure larger appropriations from the government, both State and National, with the result that American roads are a loke in other countries, and a source of much inconvenience and real loss at home. The farmers are the ones most directly interested in the good roads movement, and it must be said with regret that even they do not do their best to improve the standard. Good dirt roads may be had at small expense and for little labor, but we have them only in places; permanent roads of macadam or gravel are a good investment to any flourishing community, but only a few of them are being constructed. If the automobile can advance the cause of good roads in the country, as it doubtless will, it will have proved a great friend to the farmers, even if it does scare their horses .- Atchison

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