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THE HOME, ITS OPPORTUNITY AND RESPONSIBILITY

BY REV. ALLINGHAM.

At the request of a few friends and with the kind permission of the editor, the pastor of the Congregational Church has decided to publish a rough sketch of his sermon of last Sunday on "The Home, Its Opportunity and Responsibility." It is as follows:

The very outset let me dismiss from your mind the idea, if you have such, that this series of sermons was gotten up for the purpose of getting an appetite for sensationalism or gratify or sustain the attitude of any individual or party toward the three fundamental institutions of our community, the home, the school and the church. It has not been the policy of this pulpit to do so and there is no reason to fear a change now.

Let me say, however, that I shall not disclose all I know about these institutions. I shall be careful to speak within the rights invested in my office as a leader of the religious life of the community, but I shall not shrink an inch from fearlessly exposing those things that are seriously detrimental to the best interests of the village whether they are found in the present constitution of the home, the school or church.

"In no other than the friendliest spirit did I prepare these discourses, hoping that by them I might be able to create a more appreciative and intelligent attitude toward the institutions already mentioned, for I am persuaded that quarrels in the family and with the school and church are not due to our familiarity with one another, but the opposite.

"I have chosen the text from the Book of Genesis, Chapter 18, and Verse 19: 'For I know him that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord.'

"It is rather significant that I am compelled to select the text from one of the oldest records of the human family, which shall represent the spirit of the home. It is equally significant that the incident relating the commendation of Jehovah concerning the

GROVE LODGE AND VESTA CHAPTER ENTERTAIN NAPER POST, G. A. R.

Thursday evening, Feb. 11th, Grove Lodge No. 824, A. F. & A. M., assisted by Vesta Chapter No. 242, O. E. S., invited Naper Post, G. A. R., to join in celebrating the centenary anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln.

The gavel fell at 8:30 o'clock. Mrs. Anna E. Griffith, Worthy Matron, and C. E. Graves, Worthy Patron of Vesta Chapter, were presented by Worshipful Master N. C. Pearce of Grove Lodge.

Led by Grant Nash, with drum, the members of the G. A. R. marched into the lodge room to seats reserved for them.

After a short address of welcome by the W. M. N. C. Pearce, a musical program was rendered by the following:

Piano duet, Mrs. White and Miss Nash.

Quartet, Misses Nash and Simonson, Messrs. Kellogg and Townsley.

Vocal solo, Master Robert Mountier.

Violin solo, C. F. Davis.

Capt. Rogers, Mr. Farrar, N. H. Beidleman and Dr. Leach gave some interesting facts concerning Lincoln and the war.

Two beautiful poems were recited by R. W. Bond and G. B. Hearty.

The program was concluded with an eloquent address by Gen. P. E. Hayes of Joliet.

There was a large attendance, and all seemed to appreciate the evening's entertainment.

MRS. BRIGGS OF THE POULTRY YARD.

To-night (Friday) the Arcadian Club will present this high class three-act comedy at the Auditorium.

Come out and have a good laugh.

CHARACTERS.

Mrs. Briggs, a woman of business.

..... Anne Finlay

..... Jason Littleford

..... Harry Davis

..... Katherine Wall

..... Cora Handy

..... Her Family.

Silas Green, near relation. Ray Miller

Mr. Jay, a wealthy neighbor.

..... John Gray

Virginia Lee, his daughter.

..... Grace Littleford

Daisy Thornton, her friend.

..... Edith Childers

Mrs. O'Connor, with no liking for goats.

..... Thyrn Alderson

Mandy Bates, whose tongue will stumble.

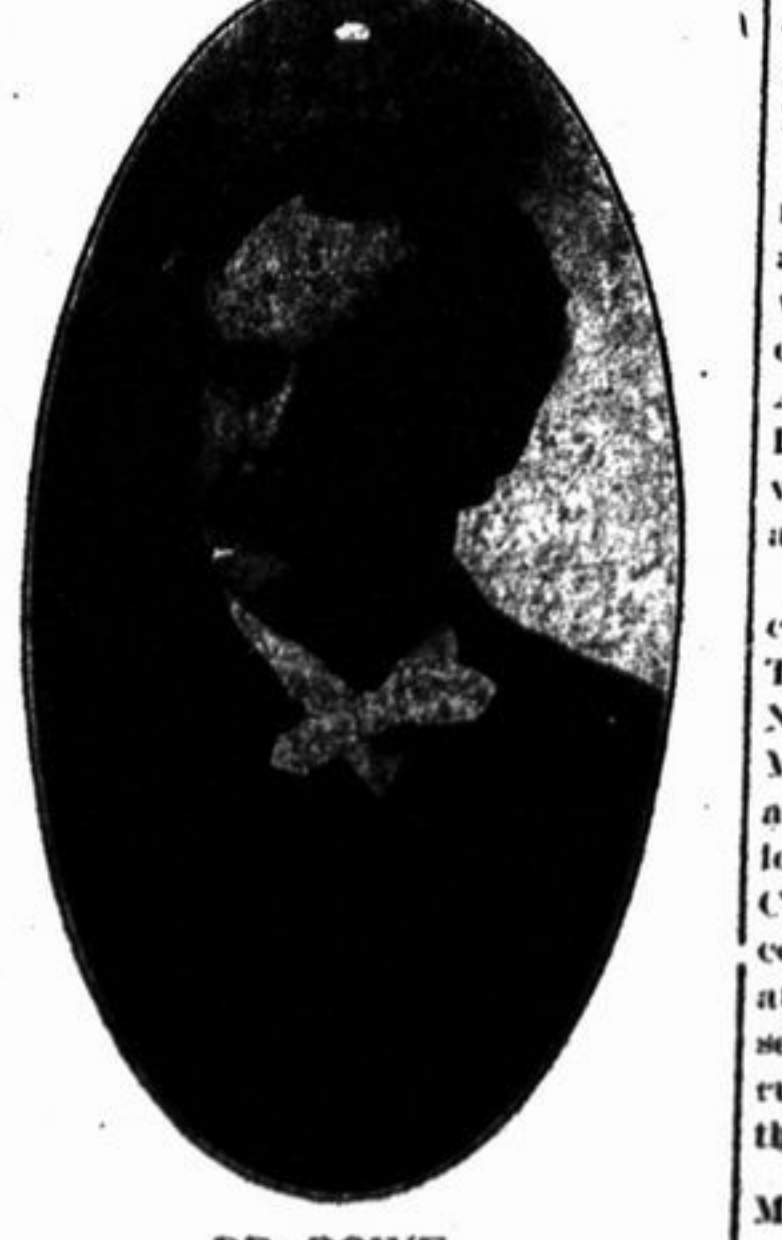
..... Clara Dent

Tickets can be obtained from any of the club members at the door. Admission, 25 cents; no reserved seats.

WASHINGTON BANQUET

As announced last week we give the program with details for the banquet to be given by the ladies of the Methodist church in the commodious basement, on Monday evening, February 22d. A reception will be held in the auditorium from 7 to 7:30. Both the menu and program will equal, if not excel the best ever given.

Tickets for the banquet are on sale at the stores of Gerwig, Thompson and Diener, and will be limited to two hundred. Secure them early. First come, first served. All resident pastors will



DR. ROWE.

be guests of the evening. Admission to the program at 8:30 will be 15 cents, tickets for the banquet, 50 cents.

Program as follows:

MUSICAL AND LITERARY PROGRAM.

Introductory..... Pastor Farnlow

Prayer..... Rev. Truman R. Greene

Hymn..... "The Crimson Glow of Sunset Falls"..... F. Root

Misses Glennie and Mae E. Potter

Toast—"Shorts"..... Rev. James Rowe

Orations—"Washington and Lincoln"..... Mr. Rowe

Vocal solo..... Rev. George Elliott

..... "The Brigand"..... W. R. Spence

Ralph Horning

..... "Outlook"..... Rev. H. V. Holt, D.

..... "Outlook"..... Rev. Harlow V. Holt, D. S.

A Monologue..... "Church Bazaar"..... Genevieve Puffer Held

Revitation—"Selected"..... Master Joe Edward White

..... "The Melting Pot"..... Miss Pearl Greene

..... "Keep on the Sunny Side"..... Rupert Bateman

Singing—"America"..... Audience

Benediction..... Rev. Robert Allingham

FAREWELL SURPRISE.

Meslames Avery, Carpenter, Lincoln, Anderson, Lee Stanley, Waples, Gillespie, Morton and Berner met at Mrs. Thos. Murray's Tuesday afternoon for a farewell visit before Mr. and Mrs. Murray leave for their new home in Wisconsin. It was a complete surprise to Mrs. Murray and when Mrs. Avery and Carpenter called the guests to the dining room, where dainty refreshments were served, another surprise awaited Mrs. Murray in the shape of a miscellaneous shower. A very pleasant afternoon was enjoyed by all. Mrs. Murray will be missed by all in the neighborhood, the churches and in fact by everyone who has come in contact with her. Cheerfulness and good nature, her disposition is invaluable and the worth of its owner is truly above silver and gold.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Prof. E. B. Rowden will open his class of dancing on Tuesday evening, Feb. 23d, 1909, at Modoff's. This school will be kept strictly select, Prof. Rowden having had twenty-six years' just experience as a teacher of music and dancing, his school in the city stands second to none. For further information refer to Kimball Hall, Room 321.

MIGHT GET PNEUMONIA.

Cold or slushy weather is a menace to health. Get a telephone and TALK to your friends and relatives without leaving your home. Rates for any purpose. Chicago Telephone Company.

DEATH'S RINGS.

Mrs. Minnie P. Jones was recently called to Vermont by the illness and death of her father, from some of our citizens may remember, as he had visited his daughter on several occasions. The following is an extract from the obituary:

E. K. JONES.

An honored citizen, for sixty years a resident of Northfield, influential in the town's life and public affairs in his day and generation, passed away Tuesday evening, the 2d, in the death of Hon. Edwin K. Jones.

The end came not unexpectedly, for Mr. Jones had been declining health for some time and since sustaining a fall one year ago last month he had been a great sufferer and practically confined to the house at the home of his youngest daughter, Mrs. Daniel Davis, on State avenue, where he died.

The funeral was held Friday afternoon from the Congregational Church at 2 o'clock, following prayer, which was private, at the house at 1:30 o'clock. Rev. J. R. Sargent officiating. A quartet consisting of Mrs. Flint, Mrs. Herrick, Messrs. Dutson and Goley, with Mr. Connell, organist, rendered appropriate selections.

There was a profusion of flowers, including set pieces from organizations. The bearers were the directors of the Northfield Savings Bank, with which Mr. Jones had been so long associated, and the interment was in the family lot in Elmwood cemetery. DeWitt Clinton Lodge attended in a body and conducted the impressive burial service at the grave. During the hour of the service the banks were closed and the curtains drawn in places of business in the village.

CHURCH DEDICATION.

By St. Paul's German Evangelical Society.

The dedication festivities of St. Paul's German Church were commenced promptly at 9:30 Sunday morning at the Congregational Church, where, in spite of a cold, blistering, disagreeable day, about 100 people were assembled to listen to a short farewell address by the Rev. Merbach, in which he took occasion to express the thanks of the congregation to the Congregational Church for the use of the church for the last 10 years.

After a prayer and benediction they took up the march for the new church on Grove street, where Contractor E. Burnet formally turned over the keys to President Buschman, and the doors of the church were opened to the congregation.

After the singing of a hymn by the Rev. Merbach consecrated the church to the service of God, the choir of St. Paul's then sang "Lord, on this Holy Spot."

The Rev. J. J. Mayer, of Bloomingdale, and the Rev. A. Fleer, of Chicago, both former pastors of this church, preached appropriate sermons. "The Hinsdale Choir then rendered 'Full of Joy,' and Miss Clara Selig and Miss Lena Schultz sang a duet, 'Sun of My Soul.'

After the morning service everybody was invited into the basement, where the Ladies' Aid Society had prepared tables with a most bountiful repast.

The afternoon services started at 2:30 o'clock. The Rev. E. Nubholz of Pullerburg preached, the Hinsdale choir sang "The Lord is My Light," Rev. Allingham of the Congregational Church spoke of the friendly relations existing for years between the two congregations, Miss Della Kirchgasser and Miss Laura Selig sang a duet, "Spring-time of the Soul." Mr. Eck, the superintendent of the Sunday school, then made a plea to the members to send their children to the Sunday school.

The evening services commenced at 7:30. The Rev. G. Niebuhr, of Lincoln, Ill., president of the N. H. district, preached the sermon. Rev. J. Mayer made short address in English. Rev. A. F. Farnlow, extended the welcome and welcome of the M. S. choir.

J. F. Smith, of the German Evangelical Church on Maple avenue, spoke of the great influence for good in the churches and welcomed the new church as a factor in the struggle for good Christian morals in the village.

The Rev. E. Kroegen, of Hinsdale, also made an address, particularly to the men, pointing to the Christian lives of great men in history. St. Paul's choir sang.

Taken all in all the exercises emphasized the fact that the churches in the village are in harmony with one another, and demonstrated the essential fact of the universal Fatherhood of God and Brotherhood of Man.

MRS. JOSEPHINE WHITE DEPUY.

Hugh M. White returned from Minneapolis Saturday, where he was summoned Monday by the death of his mother, Mrs. Josephine White Depuy, which occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. M. H. Holp, 323 Lyndale avenue, in that city, Monday evening, Feb. 8, 1909.

The funeral was held Thursday afternoon. Temporary interment was made in the vault at Elmwood cemetery, Minneapolis. The body will later be taken to Olathe, Kan., for burial.

Mrs. Depuy was 74 years old, and several years ago, for fear or more, made her home with her son, Downers Grove, where she leaves three daughters and two granddaughters.

..... Mrs. Elsie W. Gaynor of LeMars, Iowa; Fred L. White of Traer, Iowa, and Hugh M. White of Downers Grove, Ill.

RICHARD C. LAUNING.

Richard C. Launing, for eighteen years a resident of this village, was struck by a Northwestern freight train Wednesday evening and sustained injuries from which he died a few hours later. There were no witnesses to the accident and the affair is surrounded in mystery. He was found lying beside the Northwestern track near the C. B. & Q.'s station at Canal and 16th streets about 9:45, and police from the Maxwell street station sent him to the Cook County Hospital. His head was cut badly and he died at 10:30.

The only thing by which he could be identified was his monthly ticket, and about midnight Marshal Rau was called up to know if such a man lived here. Mrs. Laning and the children had become very much alarmed when Mrs. Laning broke the news to them of the fatal accident.

Deceased was born near Downers Grove in 1898. For sixteen years he worked for the Burlington and for the past two years was with the Northwestern. He leaves to mourn him a widow, four children, four brothers and three sisters.

The funeral will be held Sunday at 1:30 from the late residence, 320 North Stone avenue, and at 2 o'clock from the German Lutheran Church. Interment will be in St. Joseph's cemetery south of the village. The bereaved family have the sympathy of all their friends.

TAX COLLECTOR NOTICE.

The undersigned will be at Plevka & McDougall's hardware store on Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 26 and 27, and on each Tuesday and Wednesday thereafter until March 2nd and 3rd, for the purpose of collecting and receiving the personal and general taxes for 1908. Early payment is requested. Personal tax cannot be returned delinquent. RDW. F. NEIDIG, Collector.

Local Happenings

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

All communications for this paper should be accompanied by the name of the writer and given in full, but as an evidence of good faith on the part of the writer, write only on one side of the paper. Be particularly careful in giving names and dates, to have the letters and figures plain and distinct.

—For bowling news see page 5.

BEST OF ALL FLOUR IS BEST.

—Look up A. R. Beidleman's ad. on fifth page.

—J. M. Riel left Sunday for New York and Boston.

—W. W. Hoag Stundled with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rogers.

—Armour's Star Ham and Bacon, at Mochel & McCabe's.

—L. M. Cook returned from his Idaho trip Saturday.

—Whole wheat, rye and corn meal at M. Plevka & Co.'s.

—D. C. Hamilton was a visitor in Downers Grove Sunday.

—Mrs. T. D. Aldrich spent Sunday with Miss Cora Blodgett.

—Chas. De Witt, of Kewanee, is visiting his uncle, G. H. Bunge.

—Miss Katherine Morang spent Saturday and Sunday in Hinsdale.

—Some fine new cocoa and wire door mats cheap at M. Plevka & Co.'s.

—Mrs. Frank Lower and Mrs. N. DeMott are reported on the sick list.

—Mr. C. B. Blodgett is again confined to the home with a severe cold.

—Mrs. Harry Thatcher's mother is spending the winter at her daughter's.

—Dressmaking, plain and fancy sewing. Mrs. H. F. Ware, 103 North Main street.

—The Morton family will soon move into their new home on Washington street.

—New York Buckwheat Flour, guaranteed absolutely pure. New crop. J. W. Nash.

—Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Brandenburg have gone to New York on a short business trip.

—The Neighborhood Club will meet with Mrs. A. Anderson on Thursday next. Cards.

—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Schindler spent last Tuesday with their new neighbors at West Pullman.

—The married couples who have their daughters spent Wednesday in the city with Mrs. Miles.

—An effort is being made to form a social club, to take the place of the Athletic Association.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Olsen and family returned on Tuesday from a short visit in Geneseo, Ill.

—Try a sack of our Gold Medal or Aurora Belle flour, none better, \$1.50 sack. M. Plevka & Co.

—Miss Julia Wirkus, of Naperville, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gust Johnson last Friday.

—Mrs. Frank Stout, of Detroit, left for home after an extended visit with her brother, C. A. Walter.

—Mr. Donnegan returned on Tuesday and has not fully recovered from his illness of two weeks ago.

—J. H. Griffiths and Dr. Shaffer attended the Masonic school of instruction at Aurora on Tuesday evening.

—Sound oak wood delivered at \$6.00 a cord; sawed in stove length, \$1.00 extra. A. B. Austin Nursery Co., phone 254.

—Mrs. Wm. Peterman and Mrs. Chas. Cate, of Streator, spent last week with their aunt, Mrs. Geo. Schindler.

—Canned goods, Richelieu brand, cocoa, peas, salmon, spinach, beets, lima beans and succotash by the can or case. I. Klefa.

—Professor Morgan of Wheaton was a guest at dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Blodgett on Maple avenue on Tuesday.

—Miss Elizabeth Miles, Helen Anderson, John Edwards and little Emerson Stanley have all been suffering from severe grippe colds.

—Sunday evening Miss Mills of 100 South Washington street in lighting the gas dropped a lighted taper, setting off a small explosion.

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ANNUAL RECEPTION OF WOMAN'S CLUB FEB. 22.

Members of the Woman's Club are lavish in their praise of Mrs. E. J. W. Diets, who had charge of the program on Friday night. Without doubt it was a musical treat of such beauty and excellence, artistic ability, and genius, that when the evening was over many expressed the wish that it was just beginning.

The following are the gracious words of greeting to the members and their guests, by the president, Mrs. E. G. Lemon:

Ladies and Gentlemen—In the name of the Downers Grove Woman's Club, I bid you welcome here this evening. It has been the custom of this club for the past few years to hold their annual reception on or near Lincoln's birthday as possible, and it is with pleasure that we, the members, invite our friends and neighbors to be present with us on that evening of the year. I trust that you will thoroughly enjoy the program prepared for you by the chairman of our program committee, Mrs. E. J. W. Diets.

I feel that I must pay a small tribute to this great and good man whose one hundredth anniversary is being celebrated so universally to-day, and I know of no words that can better describe Abraham Lincoln than those of his law partner, the Hon. William H. Herndon, delivered in an address at Springfield, Ill., December 12, 1895. Of Lincoln Mr. Herndon said, "He was odd, but when that gray eye, face and every feature were lit up by the inward soul in fires of emotion, then it was that all of those ugly features sprang into organs of beauty or sank themselves into a sea of inspiration that sometimes flooded his face; sometimes it seemed to me that Lincoln's soul was just fresh from the hands of its creator; to sum it up let us say he was a sensitive, diffident, unobtrusive, natural made gentleman, with a mind strong and deep, sincere and honest, patient and enduring, having no vices and having only negative defects, with many positive virtues. He was a clean, noble, manly life; he stands in the fore ranks of men of all ages their equal; one of the best types of the Christian civilization."

The president appointed Mrs. Geo. Schindler, chairman of the program, assisted by Mesdames James Burns, G. H. Bunge, J. C. White and Miss Bryce.

The program was opened with Miss Ella Riel, whose magnificent voice rang out in all its beauty in the aria, "Jesu, Maria," sung from Faust, accompanied by Mrs. J. C. White. Then after an encore, Mrs. Puffer Reed recited the story of Ann Rutledge. The next on the program was a violin solo by Ford Davis, accompanied by his son Charley. He is a violinist whose ability was recognized as soon as he touched his violin. He was heartily applauded for his excellent playing. Then Miss Drought sang, and it seemed as though the audience would not let her stop. The next was a monologue—"Pissed Ladies," by Mrs. Puffer Reed, and more than once did she respond to enthusiastic applause.

The only interruption in the festivities was an agreeable one, when refreshments were served by Mrs. Irving Brandenburg, chairman of the social committee.

Mrs. J. W. Loxter, chairman of the house committee, had very especially decorated the rooms with flags and flowers, using red and white carnations.

Feb. 17 was devoted to noted French women. Mrs. J. W. Burns read a paper prepared by Mrs. J. C. White. She had for her subject "French Women in Art and Drama."

The second paper was the life of Marie Antoinette, by Mrs. G. H. Bunge. It gave a vivid explanation of her suffering.

The last paper, "George Sands," by Mrs. J. R. Foster, was very interesting.

Two very pleasing selections were rendered on the violin and piano by Miss Beesie Nash and Mr. Geo. Nangle.

The egg export amounts to 1,800 tons yearly.

ANNUAL DANCE OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The Firemen's masquerade at Dicke's hall last week was in point of attendance and variety of masked costumes one of the most successful ever given. The participants started to arrive at 8:15 and from then until 9:30 there was a continual outburst of applause and laughter greeted each newcomer, who vied to outdo one another in the grotesqueness of their costumes of cutting fantastic and ludicrous figures on the dance floor. The Judges, who were Charles Mochel, James Perkins, Mrs. Mochel, Mrs. Schaeffer and another lady, awarded the prizes as follows:

Best group (six or more), \$10 by D. G. F. Dept., German Girls, Mrs. E. Marchand, Mrs. P. Wagner, Miss Lena Schmetz, Miss Mary Marchand, Miss Emma Wanda and Miss Bessie Wanda.

Best Dressed Gent., silk umbrella, D. G. F. Dept., Fred Wiklie.

Best Negro Gent., pocket knife, Plevka & McDougall, Mr. Buckholz.

Best Dutchman, set screw drivers, C. H. Dicke, George Hanneisser.

Best Clown, box cigars, J. W. Nash, Borden.

Best Dressed Lady, silk umbrella, D. G. F. Dept., Della Kirchgasser.

Best Flower Girl, cake, Waiburg & Herman, Florence Willard.

Best Topsy, cash, \$1.50, D. G. F. Dept., Anna Clements.

Best Dutch Girl, bottle perfume, J. N. Modoff, Mrs. Kirchgasser.

Most Comical Lady, carpet sweeper, Mrs. Mochel, Mrs. Clements.

Best Tramp, ham, L. Klue, Harry Heflin.

Financially the dance was not much of a success, the department making about \$25 for all their trouble.

TAX NOTICE.

The tax collector of Lake township will be at Merz & Mochel's store on Friday, Feb. 19th, from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. to receive taxes.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I wish to announce myself as a candidate for road commissioner.

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- 1 can of Strawberries..... 15c

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