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VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT STEPS BEING TAKEN TO CLEAN UP

With the advent of spring the village as usual is taking on a better appearance.

The green of grass and leaves delights the eye and hides from sight much that in the brown days of the late winter was disturbing.

There is danger, however, that the vegetation which is now so welcome will itself become a nuisance unless care is taken to destroy the weeds.

Another evil less apparent but more dangerous to the health of residents of the village is that burdocks, thistles and other rank growing weeds will cover piles of refuse on vacant lots and in places, too many of which exist within our borders.

The old tin can half filled with rain water is the breeding place of the deadly mosquito and the disgusting fly.

Sheltered beneath the broad shade of a burdock this insect nursery will do its work well and unless prompt action is taken the source of the winged pests may not be discovered.

There is an ordinance against dumping garbage, tin cans or refuse except in designated places.

That ordinance is not being obeyed; witness the many "near dumps" in different sections of the town.

The village board has announced that it will welcome word of specific violation of the health ordinance and will aid in making and keeping the village clean.

The improvements going on around the new station should also be an incentive to us to do our part in keeping up the parkways and lots.

Downers Grove has possibilities which no other suburb possesses. Let us get together and realize some of the possibilities.

ADVERTISED LIST.

May 6th, 1912.

The letters and cards advertised below will be sent to the dead letter office May 13, 1912, if not called for prior to that date. A charge of one cent on all advertised matter.

Letters.—J. F. Becker, from Chicago, Ill.; Dr. Clyde Cadwell, from Chicago, Ill.; C. A. Woolley, from Kenton, Ohio.

Cards.—J. H. Buford, from Ottumwa, Ia.; Mr. Leslie Jennings, from Pottsville, Ky.; Miss Halane Muller, from Elmhurst, Ill.

ELBERT C. STANLEY, P. M.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

In explanation to our subscribers who are more than one year in arrears on their subscription and whose names have been taken off the list, we publish a section of the postal laws herewith.

The following paragraph of the postal laws and regulations will explain why we find it necessary to take this step:

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This means that on each paper sent to subscribers one year or more in arrears it will be necessary to attach a 1 cent stamp, which is nine times the rate we pay on papers to paid-up subscribers.

It will be evident to all that this would be a poor policy to follow, and our rule will be to discontinue subscriptions that do not meet the requirements of the postal laws governing second class matter.

A NOVEL ENTERTAINMENT

An auxetophone lecture recital of Gounod's "Faust" will be given as an additional number by the Entertainment Course Association at the Auditorium Friday evening, May 17.

The auxetophone presents the world's greatest voices in a most lifelike manner. This entertainment, illustrated with 4,000 feet of film, gives a splendid interpretation of one of the world's masterpieces of literature.

Every one is urged to attend, not only for his personal benefit, but also to assist in defraying a small deficit remaining at the end of the season.

Signed: JOHN GRAVES, Secretary of the Association.

CARD OF THANKS.

Mr. H. E. Puffer and Mr. E. H. Puffer and family wish to thank the many friends who expressed their sympathy and kindness in their recent bereavement.

GIRLS GLEE CLUB CONCERT

The following excellent program will be rendered at the Girls' Glee Club concert Tuesday evening, May 14, at the Baptist church:

Part I.

Polonaise Op. 26 C Minor..... Chopin
Bessie Nash.

O Lovely Night..... Ronald
Lillian Glen Prouty.

Kentucky Babe..... Geibel
The Departure..... Parks

Boys' Glee Club.
Thou Art So Like a Flower..... Schuman
Lillian Glen Prouty.

Charity..... Rossini
Girls' Glee Club.

Ave Maria (with violin obligato)..... Mascagni
Lillian Glen Prouty.

Part II.

Neither daylight, starlight, moonlight,
But a sad sweet term of some light
By the saintly name of twilight.

James Whitcomb Riley.
Twilight Pictures—Cantata.

Poem by Charles Noel Douglass.....
John H. Yatt Brewer

In the Mountains..... Glee Club
The Angelus..... Glee Club

In the Nursery—Cantata Slumber
Song..... Vida Whitmore

A Fairy Revel..... Glee Club
In the Homestead..... Glee Club

Lillian Glen Prouty, Vida Whitmore.

ACQUIRING A GOOD WILL.

Speaking of the high cost of getting a start in business, a friend in a nearby town tells us that the sum of \$5,000 is asked for the "good will" of a certain small concern, exclusive of stock and fixtures. The business is supposed to pay \$2,000 a year inclusive of owner's salary.

It costs so much to buy out an established business, unless the same is forced on the market, that starting a new concern commonly seems more hopeful. But if in the old time way a man simply hangs out his shingle and waits for trade to come the prime of life may be gone before he gets it.

The same result can be had in a fifth the time by efficient advertising. Enterprise and truth telling are the qualities that draw trade. To pray that he has enterprise and is wide awake enough to protect the customer's interest, a merchant must take the initiative and make a vigorous push for business.

A newspaper advertisement can be placed in every home for 1 per cent of the cost of personal solicitation. It is read when people are at their leisure, in a mood to listen to what the merchant has to say.

Good advertising gives an impression that the merchant is alert and energetic in meeting public needs, and a public impression of that kind is a "good will" having a large cash value. It is like money on interest in the bank.

Returning to our starting point, if instead of paying \$5,000 a year for that business a man should spend \$500 a year for two years in advertising he would have \$4,000 in his pocket and a better business standing.

AT THE MOTIOGRAPH

SATURDAY, MAY 11TH.

Funeral That Flashed in the Pan.

There are seven students in Siwash College whose bad conduct has caused them to be barred from all amusement by the college faculty. There is to be a football game between Siwash and Hambletonian College which they want to attend. An item in a newspaper telling how another college took a vacation because of a funeral suggests to them a brilliant idea. A young chap by the name of Hogboom is persuaded to disappear and get a telegraphic friend of his in his home town to wire news of his untimely death, with the idea that the funeral may be held in the morning and the boys will then be free to attend the game in the afternoon. The plan succeeds admirably and the boys take the telegram to the principal of the college, who wires for a verification of the sad news. Hogboom at the other end receives the professor's telegram and answers it. All college exercises are suspended for that day. Not content with this, Hogboom decides to go back to the college and watch the proceedings, even attending his own memorial services. The boys are horrified but helpless and when the great day comes he coerces them into secreting him in the organ loft, where he can hear the eulogies to be pronounced on his past career. But he has forgotten that the one special girl in whom he is particularly interested will be grieved by his death, and when she appears a situation that he hadn't bargained for develops. From his hiding place he sees her tears and would gladly call the whole affair off. To make matters worse, his rival takes a seat beside the girl. This is almost as much as he can stand, and when the latter proceeds to comfort her, taking

her head upon his shoulder and wiping her tears away, it is too much for him, and, seizing the chair upon which he is sitting, he bursts through the side of the organ loft and appears upon the platform before the astonished multitude. From there he descends, climbing over the backs of the seats until he reaches her, and proceeds to do the comforting himself.

LOCAL NEWS

—Miss Inez Blake, pianist, of Chicago, has donated her services and will play at the entertainment to be given by the Mission Study Class of the Epworth League, at the Methodist Church, Thursday evening, May 16th. 'Voices of the Women' will be given by members of the class. Admission 15c.

—Mr. and Mrs. Smith (nee Evelyn Simonson) have moved to Downers Grove, and will occupy half of the house of Thomas Holland on Curtiss street.

—Be cautious when your wife begins bragging to the neighbors about what strong arms and wonderful staying powers you have. She may have a carpet for you to demonstrate on.

—One 5x7 camera with 5 plate holders and carrying case in first class conditions, \$15.00. S. J. Perkin.

—Lee Stanley and family spent Sunday at the home of his parents on Maple avenue.

—Mrs. Walter Barry and son, Lester, have returned from a pleasant visit with friends at Kansas City, Mo.

—H. D. Wylie and wife, of Gilbert avenue, entertained company Sunday.

—A. C. Burt is detained from duty on account of sickness.

—The three Kingsley children have whooping cough.

—Johnnie Leyman came in contact with a bicycle and the consequences are Johnnie has a black eye.

—Honor Camp, Royal Neighbors, will give a supper Thursday evening, May 16th at Morris hall. Here is your chance to eat a meal prepared, "just like mother used to cook," so don't forget the time and place, and the Royal Neighbors are sure you will never forget the supper.

—Lawn mowers sharpened and repaired. G. H. Ware, 125 Linscott ave. Phone 34 W.

—"Sylmar Brand" Olive Oil. There is none better. Buy it at Nash's.

—Mr. D. Thompson, of Grove street, is always adding some sort of an improvement to his place. This time by applying a coat of paint to his house.

—Virginia McGinnis is reported as being quite ill.

—Mrs. A. P. Daniels, of Saratoga avenue, is numbered with the indisposed.

—John Nash has disposed of his auto truck to a party from Chicago.

—Schulze's Bread—the "sanitary kind"—at Nash's.

—If we could see ourselves as others see us there wouldn't be nearly as many egotists.

—John Rail has purchased a new auto.

—Miss Anna Heal entertained a friend from Chicago Sunday.

—Miss Palmquist of Chicago, who conducts a music class here, was compelled to remain at home owing to sickness.

—Miss Anna Myers spent Sunday with friends in Aurora.

The only time a kicker is applauded is when he kicks up his toes.

—Barwell's Imported English lawn grass seed, 5-lb. bags, \$1.25. Golden Bantam Corn; garden seeds in all varieties; good flower seeds. At Nash's.

—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Chessman are now keeping house, having rented the Singletery cottage on Washington street.

—Mrs. William Shanabrook is on the sick list.

—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Otto left last Wednesday for New York, where they expect to reside indefinitely.

—Mrs. Condit is entertaining her niece, who is enjoying a short vacation.

—Just received fresh supply of plates, films and paper at Perkin's.

—About twenty-four of Miss Julia Hullings' friends spent a most delightful evening at her home on Maple avenue. Ice cream and cake composed the refreshments.

—The M. E. Philathea Bible Class will hold a sale of home-made bakery goods on next week Saturday, May 18th, at B. E. Kehler's grocery store. Buy your Sunday supplies of them.

—The Episcopal Church was well filled on Sunday last to welcome the new priest that Mr. Anderson has appointed to care for the Downers Grove parish, also the one at Western Springs.

—Roy Haller left for the Bitter Root Valley, Mont., Tuesday to do farm work.

—Yacht Club Salad Dressing at Nash's.

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WE NEVER TURN OUR BACK



on a deserving customer's request if it be a reasonable one, nor do we allow spider webs to grow in our offices. We are an

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NOTICE.

Amateur Photographers.

All amateurs who would like to know how to develop and finish their own pictures can now learn to do so, for after much persuasion, Mr. S. J. Perkin has finally consented to give a series of lectures and demonstrations at his home, 21 East Railroad street, between the hours of 8 and 9 p. m., Mondays until further notice. All who wish to take advantage of these lessons are welcome. There will be no charges. Everyone wishing to join this class ought to be there on the first night to get the first lesson which is of vital importance in the making of a good picture, the developing of plate or film.

Come and bring your pencil and tablet and take notes so you will be able to profit by the lesson.

American Investments in Mexico.

Many Americans are emerging from Mexico just now quite well satisfied to get out with a complete skin.

A few years back, reckoning ore and crops at their value on this side of the line, it was easy to figure out a "get rich quick" profit on paper.

The trouble with a lot of these schemes was that the assets are not worth much if any dark skinned tramp can come along and burn them up. Even new towns on our frontier have

an underlying conviction of law and order that as a whole is absent in Mexico.

If all the money put into hazardous Mexican undertakings could have been kept at home, every state in the union would have seen new enterprises start on its own soil.

Before sending money out of the country, investors should not look only at physical resources. They should also consider the laws, social institutions, and popular habits that are needed to make resources valuable. Four per cent in a home bank, backed by courts and public opinion, is better than 40 per cent if it is protected only by your guns.

Rift in the Lute.

"Isn't springtime grand?" gurgled the sweet young thing. "It is then that nature puts on her most gorgeous raiment, the timid violets peep through their covering of leaves, and the birds voice their happiness in song, and—" "And the cro-cuses," suggested the sapless swain, trying to help out.—Judge.

To Prepare China for Drawing.

If you wipe over a piece of china with a cloth, moistened in turpentine, when it is dry you will have a surface upon which you can draw your design with a lead pencil as easily as on paper, says Suburban Life. The older the turpentine the better.

MOTIOGRAPH NEWS

SATURDAY, MAY 11th, 1912.

"THE FUNERAL THAT FLASHED IN THE PAN," a comedy that is a peach. A college boy has a friend wire the professor stating that he has died. He then secretes himself in the organ loft and listens to the nice things his friends say about him, he also sees his rival comforting his sweetheart. This, however, is too much. Well, it's a good laugh.

"JEAN OF THE JAIL." A good Kalim photoplay.

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