

DU PAGE FARMERS USE UP-TO-DATE METHODS

In conversation the other day with a practical DuPage county farmer he told us that he was going to plow under a heavy second growth of red clover this fall.

The soil in DuPage county and especially on the higher and rolling land is very much lacking in organic matter which means simply decayed vegetation incorporated with the soil.

Dr. Hopkins explains why it is impossible to maintain the organic matter in the soil on the average farm by use of manure alone after all the clover has been removed as hay and feed when he says that "one ton of clover plowed under will add nearly three times as much organic matter to the soil as can possibly be recovered in the manure if the clover is Downers Grove Reporter Gal. Four fed."

By the addition of 500 pounds of rock phosphate to a heavy growth of clover every four years and plowing it under together with the manure produced on the average farm 100 bushel yields of corn and oats would be common.

Red clover is the most commonly used green manure crop and always will be because of its ready growth. However, it has a close competitor in the sweet clover. Sweet clover produces a much ranker growth to be plowed under.

Plow under a heavy crop of red clover or sweet clover every four years and with the phosphate make the soil as rich and richer than it was in its virgin condition.

REPORT OF CHAUTAUQUA COMMITTEE.

The local Chautauqua committee desire to present to the people of Downers Grove the following financial report of the recent Chautauqua:

Table with financial data: Total from sale of season tickets \$515.50, Total from single admissions 103.00, From two offerings on Sunday 51.91, Balance from last year .53.

Leaving a deficiency in the treasury of \$24.48. The deficit as shown above will have to be made up by those who signed the contract last year.

The committee wish to express their thanks for the free use of the grounds where the Chautauqua was held and also for the co-operation of the large number who helped in many different ways in the work of this undertaking.

cially interested in the Chautauqua enterprise it was practically decided to inaugurate an independent Chautauqua in 1914. This will mean a somewhat bigger undertaking for the local committee, but it will mean a much better program bought for the actual cost of talent and cost of tent, etc., and should prove a most valuable institution in Downers Grove, both from a business and an educational standpoint.

STARVED ROCK A MECCA.

Starved Rock State Park and Deer Park, near La Salle and Utica seems to be the Mecca of Downers Grovelans this summer. Sunday Frank Hawkins drove Ray Grenier, Frank Dewey, Emery Edwards and Tom Hopkinson in one of the garage cars down to view the beautiful scenery in the parks and along the Illinois river.

Lester Gerwig and Grant Dicke left Sunday morning on their motorcycles for Starved Rock, returning Monday night. They stayed in Utica Sunday night, taking the first boat down the river Monday morning for the parks. With a bunch of sight-seers they did some rambling up and down the canyons in Deer Park and climbed Starved Rock proper.

"AND THUS ENDETH THE CHAPTER."

BLUE LODGE 31; CHAPTER 11.

The third and last game of the all-star baseball championship series between the local Blue Lodge and the Royal Arch Chapter was played Labor Day and resulted in the decisive defeat of the chapter men by the score of 31 to 11.

The Lodge men were too much for the R. A. M.'s, and coralled two out of the three games.

The principal details will be omitted, though it is only fair to say that the losers struggled bravely against "superior skill," "bullheaded luck," and a score or more of "hoodoo," "jinx," etc.

Next year the Chapter says it will have a real nine.

WEST SUBURBAN CHURCH LEAGUE.

Standing as Follows:

Table with church league standings: Brookfield M. E. 12 1 923, D. G. Congo 9 4 692, Congress Park M. E. 7 6 528, D. G. Methodist 5 6 455, Hinsdale Presbyterian 2 9 182, D. G. Baptist 2 11 154.

Last Saturday Brookfield was victorious over Congress Park at Congress Park 11 to 7.

Monday, Sept. 1, at Brookfield, the D. G. Methodists were beaten, 11 to 5. Downers Grove only had seven of their men show up, and even at that gave them a chase.

Games scheduled for Sept. 6: Brookfield M. E. vs. Hinsdale Presbyterian at West Hinsdale. D. G. Cong. vs. D. G. Methodist at Downers Grove.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Have your home fitted with a modern heating plant now, and pay for it in two years. This modern convenience will add more than its cost to the value of your property, and its value to you in comfort and healthfulness cannot be measured in dollars and cents.

H. J. HAWKINS, 43 S. Main St.

S. L. UMBACH DIES IN GERMANY.

Word was received here last Monday of the death of Rev. S. L. Umbach of this city, at the Deaconess Hospital, Elberfeld, Germany, on Aug. 21, 1913, after an operation. His son, Rev. E. M. Umbach, was with him at the time and will accompany the body back to Naperville, where burial will be made.

Feminine Crews.

Wellesley college teaches seamanship, and the eight crews take to the water in the early spring and return on are put through severe tests in starts, blade work and finishes.

SEARCHERS FIND NO TRACE OF OCTOGENARIAN

Last Sunday morning the mother of Mrs. L. J. Johnson, 80 years old, wandered away from her daughter's home in Straube's subdivision, and diligent search has been unavailing. The family is much distressed and every possible place which might have been chosen as a haven by the wanderer has been visited.

CONGRESSMAN COPLEY SPEAKS FOR MOTHERS.

Pauses in Labor Address at Aurora Monday Afternoon, to Announce Favoring a Premium on All Births.

Congressman Copley paused long enough in an address on labor to fellow Aurorians at Fox River park yesterday to speak for mothers. Mothers, Colonel Copley said, should be paid a premium for every child that is born to them and the government should pay for the education of the young.

A graduated income tax beginning with 2 per cent on incomes of \$4,000, and increasing until 70 per cent was taken from a million a year income together with a comprehensive inheritance tax would provide the money for the care of the mothers and provide for the children's education, including free books, the congressman, a wealthy man, declared.

The labor union is of vast importance in keeping wages at a living standard, Congressman Copley said, not because all or a majority of employers would not willingly pay a man that which he earns but because there are many, too many, who would grind the worker under a wage that he could barely exist upon.

But there is not enough wealth in this whole country despite its multi-millionaires to make every man comfortably well off if the riches were divided up equally, the speaker said. There is approximately 137 billions of property in the United States, which if divided up equally would give each individual \$1,490.

While striving for better conditions, conditions that must and will be bettered, the average man can do much for himself by denying himself small pleasures, Colonel Copley said. Two cigars a day with the 10 cents put into a bank and invested at 5 or 6 per cent will alone give a man \$3,615 at the end of 37 years, the time allotted by the insurance companies to the average worker.

"The millennium, however, won't come," said the congressman, "until it is born in the hearts of all men. All the wealth of the world, divided equally between us all, wouldn't make the average man one-tenth as rich as he thinks it would because wealth isn't here in such quantities as is generally thought. We must face these facts. Stand together, stand for the dignity of labor, be perfectly sure you are right, that you merit the respect of all mankind and you will get it."

HOLLOWAY-COURTRIGHT.

The marriage of Elizabeth G. Holloway and Harry J. Courtright was solemnized August 25th by the Rev. M. G. Wenz, of the First M. E. church, Bakersfield, Calif. Following the ceremony the bridal party were given an elaborate dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Semorile at 2924 O street.

Our Fairy Godmothers.

The world, out of fairy books, is chary in furnishing its fairy godmothers, yet most of us have friends at whose touch we become more truly and happily ourselves than at other times. They seem able to endow us, through some magic of their own, with the beautiful vestments and the glass slippers that free the spirit.

Gems In Verse

AT CAPE HORN. CHEERLY they rang her in, those boating bells. The new come beauty ately from the sea. Whittening the blue heave of the drowsy swells. Treading the bubbles down. With three times three They cheered her moving beauty in, and she Came to her berth so noble, so superb; Swayed like a queen and answered to the curb.

THEN in the sunset's flush they went aloft. And unbenet sails in that most lovely hour. When the light gentles and the wind is soft. And beauty in the heart breaks like a flower. Working aloft, they saw the mountain tower. Snow to the peak; they heard the launchmen shout. And bright along the bay the lights came out. —John Masefield.

THE CROWN OF LOVE. I WOULD win your tender trust, But not to keep you still. Kneeling lowly in the dust. Obedient to my will. Nor to surfeit all my days On the nectar of your praise. Or to hear it sung so high That the idle passerby Paused to hear your lays. I but ask you for your faith. That, wounded by the herd, I may bring you healing with The magic of a word. Pray you to believe me so That in darkness, doubt or woe I may guide you when you grope. Light you with my stronger hope. Warm you with my glow. —Emily Pfeiffer.

SONG OF THE COLORADO. HOW narrow that first dim pathway, yet deepening hour by hour! Years, ages, eons spent and forgot, while I gather me might and power. To answer the call that led me, to carve my road to the sea. Till my flood swept out with that greater tide as tireless and tameless and free. When the spirit of worship was on me, turning alone, apart. I stayed and carved me temples deep in the mountain's heart.

Wide domed and vast and silent, meet for the God I know. With shrines that were shadowed and solemn and altars of richest hue. And, out of my ceaseless striving I wrought a victor's hymn. Flung up to the stars in greeting from my far track deep and dim. For the earth was put behind me; I reckoned no more with them. That come and go as her bidding and cling to her garment's hem. Apart in my rock, been pathway, where the great cliffs about me in. The storm swept clouds were my brethren, and the stars were my kind and kin.

Tireless, alone, unstaying, I went as one who goes. On some high and strong adventure that only his own heart knows. Tireless, alone, unstaying, I went in my chosen road. I trafficked with no man's burden; I bent me to no man's load. On my tawny, sinuous shoulders no salt gray ships swung in. I washed no feet of cities, like a slave whipped out and in. My will was the law of my moving in the land that my strife had made. As a man in the house he has builded, master and unafraid. —Shariot H. Hall.

THE SET OF THE SAIL. FROM whence'er the wind may blow, It bears the sailor where he'll go. He trims his sail to suit the breeze. And scuds along while singing glees. And you, my brother, "born to weep," Can shape your life's circumstances so That every counter-current bleak Will push you toward the goal you seek. —William Allen Wood.

A GAY OLD WORLD. IT'S a gay old world when you're gay. And a glad old world when you're glad. But, whether you play Or go totting away, It's a sad old world when you're sad. IT'S a grand old world if you're great. And a mean old world if you're small. It's a world full of hate For the foolish who prate Of the uselessness of it all. IT'S a beautiful world to see. Or it's dismal in every zone. The thing it must be In its gloom or its glee Depends on yourself alone. —National Magazine.

MINE OWN. W HERE art thou, my beloved? Thou hast wandered far from me. I have searched through many lands, across the boundless sea. I seek for my beloved afar—and yet afar; But vain my search and fruitless is pursuit of distant star. Hope lights the way; I follow on, nor ever stop, nor turn aside, nor can I pause for rest. My longing spurs me onward; there is never rest for me. Until my eyes are satisfied, beloved, with sight of thee. For thou art mine, nor time, nor space nor all eternity. Can bar my questing heart from thine, nor sunder me from thee. —Cora M. W. "Greenleaf"

THE FATHER. THERE is a hall in every house Behind whose wainscot gnaws the mouse. Along whose sides are empty rooms. Peopled with dreams and ancient dooms. When down this hall you take your light And face alone the hollow night Be like the child who goes to bed Though faltering and half adread Of something crouching crookedly In every corner he can see. Ready to snatch him into gloom. Yet goes on bravely to his room. Knowing above him, watching there, His father waits upon the stair. —Madison Cawale.

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