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"THE CHRISTIAN"

Hall Caine's Masterpiece to Be Given for the Benefit of the New Library.

It is a pleasant thing to be able to help a good cause. It is also a pleasure to see a good show, and when both of these enjoyable things can be combined there is no excuse for not having a good time. The above musings will be strictly in point next Friday evening, July 2, when "The Christian," Hall Caine's masterpiece of character analysis and vivid emotionalism is presented at C. H. Dicke's moving picture theater as a benefit performance in aid of the new library.

Keep that date open. Go to the show and be conscious that you have helped a worthy project and at the same time have enjoyed yourself. Incidentally you will not be asked to buy a ticket in advance, so if you do not decide to go until the last minute you will be care free.

Seriously, however, there is no question about the excellence of the three act reel which portrays "The Christian" in the form in which it was dramatized when Viola Allen played the star role of "Glory Quayle." This character in the movie play is portrayed by Miss Edith Storey, who has few equals before the camera as a delineator of emotional feeling.

You all remember the story—the placid Manz days; the self-abnegation of John Storm, "the Christian"; his love for Glory Quayle and the heights to which she rose. The book was interesting; the dramatization was powerful, but some of those familiar with all the forms of its presentation declare that the screen and

the moving scenes best bring out the real grip of "The Christian" on the beholder.

In order that the younger generation may also share in the joy of both giving and receiving, a special matinee is to be presented the afternoon before the big show in which the juveniles will be regaled with a moving picture drama, two funnies, a reel showing a real honest and true Ski contest in which wonderful jumps from snow-clad slides are taken.

The Woman's Club has undertaken to inform their friends of the benefit performance and half of the proceeds of the afternoon and evening programs will be given to the Library Furnishing Fund of the Library Committee of the Woman's Club.

DICKSON-YACKLEY.

Life assumed a new meaning last Wednesday to Miss Mamie Dickson and Irving Yackley, for whom wedding bells rang that morning and who were united in the bonds of holy matrimony by Dr. Eneas N. Goodwin in St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church.

The bride wore a gown of white crepe de chine, a hand embroidered veil and a wreath of white sweet peas and carried a shower bouquet of white roses. She was attended by her sister, Isabelle Dickson, while Ray Yackley was groomsmen.

After the ceremony the wedding party was received at the home of the bride's parents in Highland avenue, where dinner was served.

The young couple will live in Belmont. Among the out-of-town guests were Mrs. Denny and three daughters of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. J. Conley of North Edgewater, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Lewis of Chicago.

REV. J. J. HITCHCOCK HELD TO GRAND JURY.

Fake Collector for Children's Home and Aid Society Held on Serious Charge.

Local people who last week paid money to the Rev. J. J. Hitchcock, who said he was collecting money for the Illinois Children's Home and Aid Society, can rest assured that the money was never used for as good a purpose as they supposed. Part of it went to pay a \$15 fine into the treasury of the village.

The Rev. Hitchcock was arrested while soliciting funds on Main street. He was questioned and certain parts of his story did not hang together in just the right way. After giving him the third degree he confessed that he had no authority to collect funds for this institution or any other. It was thought that the village had no authority to prosecute under the local ordinances, so he was tried for disorderly conduct and fined \$15 and costs. Immediately after paying his fine he was re-arrested by Officer White on a state warrant, sworn out by Wilfred S. Reynolds, superintendent of the Illinois Children's Home and Aid Society, and taken to Wheaton where he was held to the grand jury. The Home will prosecute him to the full extent of the law. Mr. Reynolds said over the phone Wednesday.

When he was first arrested he asked permission to use the telephone, this request was granted and he called a Florence Young, at Maywood. Afterward he said he had talked to his wife and she would bring funds enough to secure his release. When the woman arrived she was questioned by Judge Barnhart and others and said she was Mrs. Hitchcock and had come to pay her husband's fine. The strain of the proceedings proved too much for her and she fainted while being cross-examined. The questioning finally unnerved her so that she told a serious story of fleeing from New York to Chicago with the Rev. Hitchcock away from his lawful wife and living with him for the last four or five years, as his wife in Chicago and Maywood.

SAFETY FIRST A GOOD PLAN.

When any person, male or female, presents themselves to you as a collector for a charitable institution located anywhere in the state be sure they are what they represent themselves to be before paying them any money. If their credentials look the least bit "fishy" call central and ask for an officer. If the man or woman be as they represent themselves to be they will not resent questioning. It is better to be sure than sorry. There are enough people in Illinois deserving of financial assistance without crooks getting away with any easy money.

LADIES' DAY AT ROD AND GUN CLUB.

Merchandise Shoot To Be Held Morning of July 5th, is Visiting Day.

At the July 4th merchandise shoot to be held by the Downers Grove Rod and Gun Club, Monday morning, July 5th, the shooters have been divided into three classes. A prize has been purchased for the high gun in each class.

This will also be the visiting or "adies' day." Members of the club are urged to bring their wives or sweethearts and show them the great element of sport in this great American pastime. The general public is also hereby extended an invitation to view the shooting match.

Work was started Tuesday morning on the club's small club house at the shooting grounds and it is thought it will be ready for the fourth.

The club's grounds are on the farm of Chas. Venard, on the Plank road west of Highland avenue.

PRONOUNCES DICKE THEATRE "SAFEST."

Mr. L. C. McMurtrie, Deputy Fire Marshal of the state of Illinois, was in Downers Grove Thursday and Friday of last week making an inspection of factory and public buildings in regard to fire risks.

After making an inspection of the Dicke Theater he left a copy of his report with Mr. Dicke with the notation that this theater was the safest, cleanest and best equipped of any he had ever inspected. This, coming from an inspector of the state, is something of which Mr. Dicke and the village in general should be very proud.

PHILATHEAS HAVE CONUNDRUM SUPPER.

The conundrum supper given by the social committee of the Philatheas Class last Thursday evening in the M. E. church parlors was a very successful affair, financial and socially. About 100 guests were served. After a very diligent study of the bill of fare some were served with a glass of water,

toothpick and pickle while others more lucky got a good supper after several orders each all guests received a good "square meal."

They greatly enjoyed the readings given by Mr. F. J. Milnes in his able manner, also the piano selections by Miss Julia Perkins and Miss Adelaide Walthera.

The chorus by the girls' class was a very enjoyable number.

EXCAVATION STARTED FOR "MOVIE" THEATER.

Work was started Wednesday on the laying out of a new "movie" theater to be built east of the post office. It will be two stories in the center and one on the sides. The center will contain the theater proper and on each side will be built small stores to accommodate local commercial enterprises. It is said that the building will cost in the neighborhood of \$12,000 and will be completed about the middle of September.

Chivers and Brunet have the building contract and Alvin Beidleman, of Naperville, has the masonry contract. The building is being erected by Miss Baxter, of Wheaton and Mr. Stevens, formerly of Downers Grove, will manage the enterprise.

DR. JAMES R. HAGGARD.

Old residents of Downers Grove were grieved to hear of the death of Dr. James R. Haggard, a former resident of the village, at his home in Lincoln, Neb., last week Thursday.

Dr. Haggard, during his residence in Downers Grove, was one of the public-spirited citizens of the place, and in the winter of 1875, with J. W. Rogers and F. M. Woods, was instrumental in organizing the first village entertainment series.

Schuyler Colfax, once vice-president of the United States, was the stellar attraction and his lecture on "Lincoln as I Knew Him" brought out a crowd which filled the Baptist Church to overflowing.

Dr. Haggard built and lived in the house in Grove street, now the home of John Riley. He chose the site because of the great elm which stands in the parkway. In 1882 with his family he moved to Lincoln, where until a few years ago he practiced his profession.

FIRST EVANGELICAL CHURCH.

The First Evangelical Church at the corner of Main street and Maple avenue, is undergoing extensive repairs. The interior is being decorated in oil colors with ornamental fixtures of relief work. New electric fixtures are being installed, and new carpets placed on the floors, and other furnishings are provided. It is expected that the building will be in readiness for re-opening by the first Sunday in July, when there will be held formal re-opening services.

Bishop S. P. Spreng has been engaged to be present on this day and officiate. The pastor, Dr. Manshardt, and the committee are working hard planning to have the building beautiful and comfortable and better fitted for the work of the church and the Sunday school.

FOREST PRESERVE.

Steps are being taken for the organization of a Du Page County Forest Preserve District Association so that the advantages of the new forest preserve law may speedily be enjoyed by the residents of the county.

Such an association could proceed to take stock of the many beautiful woodlands in the county and help in selecting tracts which could be kept forever sacred for the people of Du Page county. Each section of the county should be represented in such an association and Downers Grove should be ready with its delegates when the organization gets under way.

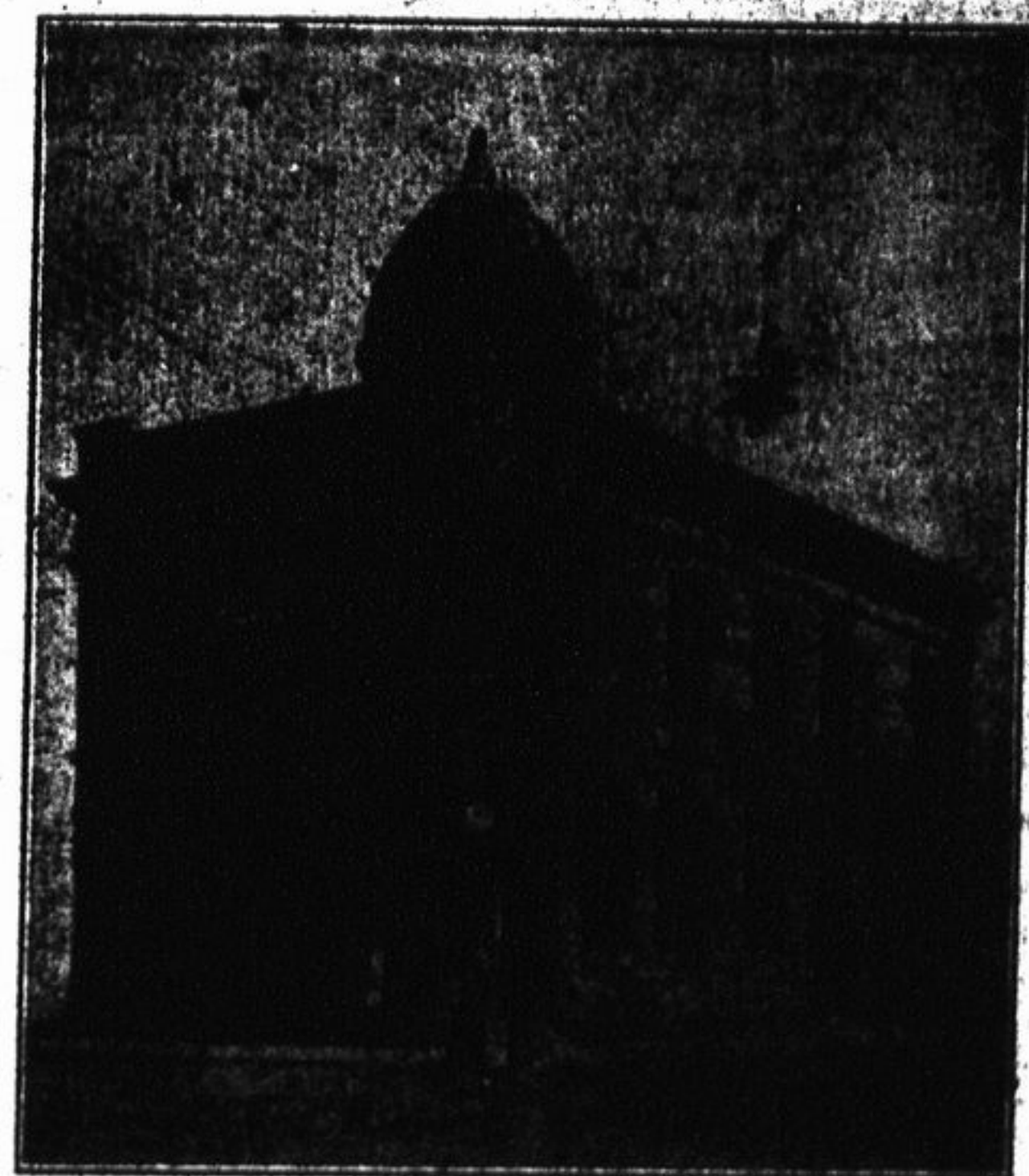
SONGS OF OTHER DAYS

At the Methodist Church Next Sunday Evening.

As a general rule people enjoy familiar music. A white haired man recently complained that the good old songs were seldom heard nowadays. The program of the Sunday evening service at the Methodist church will consist almost entirely of songs of a generation ago or even of an earlier time. The congregation will be asked to join with the choir in a part of the service.

AND THEY PUSH IT ALONG.

Yes, that's just what they did, and all the way from Belmont. Last Thursday night, Art Hildwell and Rome Waffles were going west on Maple avenue in the Saxon. When they got to the Belmont road they ran out of gas, so they pushed it all the way back to town. They rolled up in front of Doc Houseman's at about 10:35. They said it was lots of fun coasting down the hill.



YOUR VACATION MONEY

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Most any man can be an editor. All the editor has to do is to sit at his desk six days a week, four weeks in a month and twelve months in a year and "edit" such stuff as this: Mrs. Jones of Cactus Creek, let a can opener slip last week and cut herself in the pantry. A mischievous lad of Picketown threw a stone and cut Mr. Pile in the alley last Tuesday. Joe Doe climbed on the roof of his house last week looking for a leak and fell striking himself on the head which caused a severe concussion. White Horse Green was

Miss Violet Wise from the church school last Saturday night a savage dog attacked them and bit Mr. Green on the public square. Isaiah Tyman of Hunting Creek was playing with a dog Friday when it scratched him on the veranda. Mr. Prang, while harnessing a tractor last Saturday, was kicked just south of his cornfield.

Home made, pure, unadorned candies for sale. Other candies made at Miss Tyman's home. Only the period of the candy sale allowed in other parts of the county. Miss Violet Wise from the church school last Saturday night a savage dog attacked them and bit Mr. Green on the public square.