

AMERICA FIRST

OVAL TO THE PURPLE

wish the readers of this column Christmas and a Happy New

any one see Hugh Brown sleigh wevening? He said he

sorted that John Gustus is mi a new advanced algebra. something new, all

students are writing and a Christmas letter to the Ge-School, Miss Manly soat of names and gave them in who desired them. This suld be encouraged, as these re-much appreciated by the

scheduled for last Monmathened until next year on Chatter Hall's Illness, Next Tuntor division of American will debate the Senior divi bleet, "Resolved, That between nations can be ration." The Juniors have

BCHOOL BASKET ALL SCHEDULE.

owing is a partial list of the backet ball schedule: 10 Plane vs. Downers Grove,

West Chicago vs. Downers West Chicago. Downers Dawners Grove.

Riverside va. Downers Grove. Blue faland vs. Downers Downers Grove

M. Dn Page County

"THE BIRTH OF A NA-TION" HAS LONG RUN

When David W. Griffith completed "The Birth of a Nation" he probably did not realize that he had on his hands a spectacle that would limit his scope of presentation. He saw only his dream of the master photodrama his brain baby to the national board of censorship and it had not been found wanting in any respect, and after he had presented it in private at the white house, he began to study out how best to show it to the public. "The Birth of a Nation" was not an ordinary picture that could shown to advantage in any sort house. It required music-a sym phony orchestra, Griffith decided. required great effects, and a big stage

was necessary. It was a two-dollar spectacle, and Griffith, the artist, de cided that the people must have two dollars' worth-even those who other parts of the house, where the prices ranged down to a quarter, the spectators must realize that they were seeing the greatest film spectacle ever produced. That is why Griffith worked so hard on the presentation as well as the production. That is why it is possible to get the full value of the spectacle only when it is presented in such houses as the Liberty theater in New York, the Tremont in Boston. the Olympic in St. Louis and the Colonial (the most beautiful theater in America) in Chicago. While "The Birth of a Nation" has been sent out on the road, it has been found impos sible to show it to advantage in the smaller theaters. That is why the spectacle is still crowding the Colonial theater, Chicago, after a run of more

'HELP WANTED" AT

than six months.

The Oliver Morosco Photoplay Com-Downers pany, in association with Bosworth, well-known theatrical success "Help Harry W. Darnley, \$3.70; R. D. Blakey Wanted," by Jack Lait, featuring Lois | \$25.60; M. F. Hann, \$2.50; Plane vs. Downers Grove, Meredith, supported by others of the Baker, \$2.50; Martin White, \$3.75;

all over the country needs little com- \$1.00; the Texas Company, \$12.69; play was given at the Cort theater, An engagement lasting the full length | F Gerwig & Son, \$1.15; Scully Steel of the season followed at the Cort. where new records for attendance and Department, \$1.00; same, \$3.60; same, receipts were established by this production. The New York presentation \$1.57; D. G. E. L. Department, \$474.69; ook place at the Maxine Elliot the Western Electric Company, \$9.87; C. ter, and big success was also ac- F. Davis, \$451.12; same, \$2.00; C. E.

tar. Lois Meredith. At the Maxine Elliott theater this charming little avorite met with big success in the haracter of Gertie Mayer, the innoent little stenographer, who becomes comeshed in a web of complications a result of her employer's unserupolous attentions. Her work in other netropolitan triumphs, such as "Everywoman," "Rackety Packety House," Within the Law," and others, has *on her much fame despite her youth. Lillian Elliott, one of America's feremost character artists, again appears in her characterization of Mrs. Mayer, mother to the little stenographer. Others in the cast are Hobart ber 13, 1915. Bosworth as Jerrold D. Scott, the stenographer's employer; Adele Farrington, as his wife; Owen Moore, as the son; Helen Wolcott, the daughter, and Carl Von Schiller. "Help Wanted" is the second release of the Oliver Morosco Photoplay Company and is released in association with Bosworth Inc., on the Paramount program, Dicke theater, Tuesday, December 28. The

Page; directors, three year term, W R. Wells and J. C. Wylle.

for with the village board fort to have them reconsider the or dinance making the alley between Burlington and Calendar avenues a one-way alley, reported that the trustoes felt that the ordinance was for the best and that no further action would be taken in the matter.

After the usual routine business had been disposed of, the meeting w adjourned and the balance of the eve-

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE VILLAGE BOARD

Downers Grove, Ill., Nov. 8, 1915. Roll call for the regular monthly meeting for November, 1915, voted present Trustees Kidwell, Handy, Heartt, Haller, Kellogg and Littleford President Backus being absent, it was moved by Trustees Kellogg and Littleford that Trustee Kidwell ac as mayor pro tem. Motion carried and Trustee Kidwell consented to act Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Monthly reports of

Referring to the report of village collector regarding meters out order, Trustees Kellogg and Haller moved that the matter be referred to the water and light committee with

village officers read and ordered placed

power to act. Motion carried. A communication from the president of the library board regarding electric lights on the corner of Forest avenue and Curtis street was read and, on motion by Trustees Littleford and Kellogg, the matter was referred to Mr. Gardiner to make an estimate of the cost of installation and ascer tain whether the library board will pay the cost of installation. Motion

Claim ordinance No. 306, an ordi nance providing for the payment of certain claims, was read as follows: C. F. Davis, \$30.00; Anson Backus, \$10.00; A. B. Snow, \$15.00; Oscar Potter, \$25.06; W. H. Blodgett, \$80.00; J. W. Handy, \$3.00; Chas. Haller, \$3.00; J. F. Kidwell, \$3.00; I. G. Heartt, \$1.50; B. L. Kellogg, \$1.50; Martin White, \$75.00; F. M. Werner, \$70.00; F. Eichorst, \$80.00; C. P. Rice, \$80.00; F. Allen, \$80.00; Wm. Cummings, \$70.00; D. L. Purkaple, \$70.00; H A. Gardiner, \$175.00; J. B. Foster, (3.00; C. B. Blodgett, \$3.00; E. Woehel, \$3.00; J. W. Tucker, \$3.00; Geo. N. Jones, \$3.00; John Gollan, \$3.00; H. F. Legenhausen, \$3.00; L. P. Naramore, \$3.00; A. L. Palmer, \$3.00; G. DICKE THEATER C. Butler, \$3.00; I. B. David, \$3.00; W J. Staats, \$3.64; Metropolitan Supply Company, \$1.25; Penner Printshop, \$1.50: Thos. Bunning, \$15.00; Homer The popularity of "Help Wanted" Company, \$16.96; H. E. Hindman ment. The initial presentation of the Standard Oil Company, \$18.73; Commonwealth Edison Company, \$107.06; Western Electric Company, \$29.39; J W. Nash, \$0.90; Crane Company, \$6.83; & Iron Company, \$17.95; D. G. E. L.

\$6.75; same, \$6.75; F. M. Werner, Raymond, \$33.60; Chittenden & Frew In the principal role of this photo- Company, \$15.00; W. H. Blodgett, lay the producers offer the original \$2.00; Adams-Bagnall Electric Company, \$146.50; D. G. Publishing Company, \$19.50; Stevens, Maloney & Co., \$7.65; Houseman Drug Company, 1.50; Henion & Bubble, \$22.50; H. J Hawkins, \$0.30; C. E. Baker, \$3.25; J. D. Gillespie & Co., \$11.96; Lord

> nfield, \$112.47. Moved by Trustees Kellogg and Heller that claim ordinance be put assage. Motion carried. Claim ordinance No. 300 was then passed, Trustees Kellogg, Heartt, Handy, Littleford and Haller voting aye.

umber Company, \$6.70; J. H. Frank-

On proper motion board adjourned to the next regular meeting. Decem-

OSCAR POTTER Village Clerk.

Those Emberrassing Momenta. "John, I'm afraid it's going to be John Bronson, the landlord we need

Christmas toy She stuck a Red Cross Seal on eac girl and boy.

To market, to market, to buy a fai

Home again, home again, jiggety-jig; Back again, back again, right straightaway---

Forgot Red Cross Seals, must have them today.

Dec. 22. Old King Cole

Was a merry old sout. And a merry old soul was he:

He said, "I'll take a thousand seals, Or, rather, make it three."

Little Boy Blue, come blow your

Just think, pretty soon Christmas Morn: You should write to Santa 'stead o

going to sleep, Tell him you're tired of your cows and your sheep;

that you feel Each one should bear a Red Cross

Seal. Dec. 24. Little Bo Peep has lost her sheep, She really couldn't mind them:

She had to sell Red Cross Seals-After Christmas she'll go and find

Coming Weather Told by Moon, The moon plays an important part in sign telling. All kinds of weather hang on the changes of the moon. As a matter of fact, you and I rather like to see the new moon over the right shoulder. To be sure, we have no faith in the baleful influence of this sign. Still, it is just as well to b cautious about offending her ladyship Farmers study the shape of the new moon to determine if the month is t be wet or dry. The Indians used to say that if you could hang a powder horn on the curve of the new moon the month would be generally pleas ant. A circle about the moon means a storm approaching. The number of stars within the circle tell the number of days which will elapse before the storm begins. Farmers tell

Helping Your Child.

moon,-Exchange.

about planting corn in the old of the

Let them do all they can for them selves-carry their own water, fill their own jugs, wash up, arrange their own rooms, clean their boots and clothes, lay the table. Believe me, that unimportant as these things may seem, they are a hundred times more important than a knowledge of French or of history. These things train the dressed or not dressed?" Mrs. Newed children to simplicity, to work and to -- Br nude, please. But see that it self dependence. If you can add work is well wrapped before you send it." on the land, if it be but a kitchen gardon, that will be well. Believe me that without that condition there is Christian education or a consciousness of the fact that men are not naturally from." Biggs-"is it possible!" Diggs

The private tutor had just departed and the broker's young son ran to h father with the question: "How do you explain water finding its level?" Well, my son," said the father, "when a stock has been watered until it is like the bathroom sponge when to use, the stock goes down, and when H reaches bottom the water has found

The Embarrassed One - "You've saved my life with the fiver. I'll owe

an starnel debt of gratitude," The Generous One-"I don't care how long rou owe me your gratitude, but as five simoleous that's another matter."-Punch Rowl.

The Newlyweds out in Crescent Hill are wondering it flux is a thief or

Reg. in a dog, a white, woolly dog who 15 minutes after having life bat) tooks as if he hadn't had a bath for week, Rex is not a hunter. He doesn't know what game looks like. He doesn't even chase cats. He is atraid of other dogs. He is so tractable that he makes friends with anybody who pays him the slightest attention. would be on terms of intimacy with a

burglar in two minutes. So it can be seen that Rex's owners had good reason for thinking him good for nothing, even if they did love him. Now they are wondering whether he is worse than good for nothing or a valuable retriever.

A few weeks ago Mrs. Newlywed lost a purse containing \$16 in cash. A long search failed to reveal it, and it was given up for lost.

Last Sunday Rex walked into the house with comething in his mouth He laid his quarry on the Joor. was the purse and the \$16 were intact.

Now the question at the home the Newlyweds is: Did Rex play de tective and and that money for legitimate owners, or did he return after carrying it away himself? Rex: real character promises to remain Times.

Rumor Corrected. understand, Cuddyhump, that

your wife is convalescent?" said kind ly Mrs. White. "No, ma'am, Ah'm glad to say she ain't. Stid o' dat, she's gittin' bettah ev'ry day."-Birmingham Age-Herald.

Have Small Desire to Roam. Famous for its fish, the little island of Marken, on the Zuyder Zee, is inhabited by a sturdy folk who have no desire to travel. Indeed, so satisfied are the people with their little island home that many of them die without ever having seen any other part of the world.

He Fixed It All Right.

"Bud Benwick!" she exclaimed "Aren't you ashamed of yourself to sat all that banana without offering at least part of it to the little girl?" Bud looked a bit uncomfortable, but after a moment's hesitation he answered: "It's all right, grandma; I said 'ex-

Using His Name. "The agent who sold me this set of

books told me he wanted to use my name with other citizens." "He's doing that, all right. I heard him last night telling a gang how easy you

Knew Human Nature. The sage agreed that it was indeed dangerous. "But," said he, "if we put up a sign warning people of the danger they will at once try it to see for them selves, whereas, if we label it Bad Form,' they will let it alone."

Puritan Modesty

Mrs. Newed (of Boston)--"I would like a nice chicken, please," Grocer -"Yes, ma'am. Would you like it

No Great Loss.

Diggs-"I once knew a young man no particular harm resulting thereinto the classes of masters - "Yes; and the only noticeable effect

Hardly to Be Expected. The legislature was investigating its members. "I presume, gatee, "that you will leave the case in the hands of posterity." "No suci

Daily Thought.

back," responded the statesman.

From the moment woman set about foing things for reasons, instead of merely finding reasons for what she what mischief she would be at next.-

Watching a neighbor's house to see -Deseret Evening News.

lasted for several vec:3, but he en scarce bear to wait for comparative privacy to whisper his devotion an to ask for yows of constancy. And so it was that he murmured sweet some table in the drug store where they

things across the little glass-topped were consumfing cooling beverages and mosses. He looked deep into her sperkling eyes. "You are all mine!" e breathed. And then a doubt seumer to come over him, and he whtapered anxiously: "Could you bear to think of another?" "Ch, darling!" she whispered, blushing a little. "I've already had two. But I don't think one more fruit sundae would hurt me. You're so thoughtful, dear-and so extrava-

gant."---Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Oh, no! A fellow's proadest moment was not the time he came out on top in his first scrap with "the kid next door." Nor was it the first time he "saw" Mary Jane home from the party. Nor, again, was it when she "named the day."

business deal; got his largest raise; became a partner in the concern and

was paying an income tax. And while this, too, was a proud moment, the proudest of all was not when the first-born came, nor was it when the youngster first lisped "dada." All those were big moments, mements most every fellow remembers mystery for a long time .- Louisville king and happily, but the real proudest moment was the first time when-

Percival Claude was greatly enamored of Maude Marie. Three times a week he could be found barking at | xt a large lot. One of the best locaher papa's front gate, and nearly all his salary was turned into cream chocolates by an appreciative confectioner. "You don't know how much ! love you, darling!" softly cooed Percival Claude, putting his arm around the dear girl one night when the moon was shining brightly and crickets were chirping musically. "Gladly would I die for you!" "O Percival Claude!" ecstatically cried darling. "Do you really, really and truly mean it?" "Yes, dear," was the impresnive rejoinder of the other. "Now, next week, any time," "Say, Percy, suddenly exclaimed the fair girl after a moment's hard thought, "do you carry any life insurance "-- Philadelphia

Abroad and at Home.

Telegraph.

The fellow in the movie show who laugha loudest at the picture in which a woman is chasing her husband around the house with a rolling-pin is the same lad whose wife makes him go out in the back yard when he wants to smoke a cigarette.--Cincinnati Enquirer.

Clerk- 'You'll never be able to ge those boots on. You should try a size larger." O'Rafferty-"Niver do yez moind. Oi'll be able t' get thim on afther Ol wear thim a few toims."

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