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# **NEWS NOTES FROM** OUR NEIGHBORING DUPAGE (O. TOWN.

#### WHEATON

The St. John's Lutheran church cel ebrated the semi-centennial of its tablishment in the city of Wheaton on Sunday, July 15th.

Wheaton Boy Scouts, accompanied by Tom Burgess, Scout Master, have gone to Camp Owasappe, near Whitehall, Michigan, for a two weeks outthe company are scouts, Robert Gary, Brundage, Herbert Ball, Lyle White, Lawrence Henry, James Maloney, George Eggleston, Leo Fahey and now rests. George Clark.

On the same night

CURTISS THEATRE,

Glen Ellyn firm. Plans have ready for some time. The city council more than a year ago asked the company to erect a shelter on this platform and the present commissioners recently reminded the company of its promise that it would be built.

those in charge.

remains shipped to Rochester, N. Y

A. P. Wolf of the Overland Co.

LOMBARD

was in pretty bad condition.

struction of the sewer system.

Auxilliary of the Red Cross.

ADVERTISED LETTERS

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Fred Clark, letter; Mrs. Creed, let-

John D. Downer, P. M

enson, card; Mrs. Geo. Reinard, card;

of Defense.

ending July 21, 1917.

Allan Vallatte has returned on ten days furlough from the Marine barracks at Paris Island, having completed his first period of training. reports that he and LaVarne Perrottet have both qualified as marksmen in the first record competition. This entitles them to a ten per cent increase in salary.

#### WEST CHICAGO

The big steam trenching machine has been making extremely slow work of the sewer excavation on Grand Lake Boulevard. It sometimes made not more than 50 feet a day, when Board of Local Improvements signed in good digging 400 to 500 feet is the contract with Gedney & Murphy, considered a day's work.

Eight members of the Absit Invithe West Chicago outing club Power's Lake. Mrs. A. Fairbanks, Miss Nell Fairbanks, Mrs. Dave Martin, Mrs. C. Mack, Mrs. R. C. Manville and Mrs. A. Campbell. Mr. R. C. Manville is "chaperoning" the party for a few days.

Chas. E. Norris & Sons disinterred four bodies in Oakwood cemetery Monday, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Gates, father and mother of John W. Gates, and two children of the famous finaning. They started a week ago. In cier. The bodies were shipped to New York City where they will be Elliot Guild, George Dean, Kenneth placed in the \$150,000 mausoleum ter; W. J. McEwan, card; C. Christerected by John W. Gates in Green Lawn cemetery, and where his body Lew F. Richards, letter; C. M. Wright,

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THIS THURSDAY, July 26th

THIS TUESDAY, July

THIS SATURDAY, July

#### s. H. Degroot, Jr. CHIEF OF NATION'S FREIGHT CAR SERVICE

vesterday. A good program has been promised the ticket holders by E. H. DeGroot, Jr., a former resident of Downers Grove, and until Charles Mestler, died last Wednes recently Superintendent of Transporday morning after an illness of only tation, of the Chicago & Eastern lia few hours. Funeral services wer linois Railraod, is now in the excluheld Saturday at his home and the sive employ of the Interstate Com-

merce Commission. Mr. Mestler's old home for interment. The Commission has recently cre-The automobile belonging to Dr. ated a "Division of Car Service" to Miller that was stolen on the night cope with the needs of the country of July 4th while standing in front under the staggering burden of war, of his home on Pine street, was found and Mr. DeGroot has been appointed in DeKalb, the sheriff telephoning to Chief of the Division.

Elmhurst last Friday evening. Mr. In a letter to J. C. White, Mr. De-Groot says: "I feel that the place startd immediately for that city and affords a good chance for some sane brought it back to the garage unti and constructive work at a time when the arrival of a representative of the Insurance Company, as the machine

#### CROQUET CLUB ORGANIZED

Passers-by the old tennis court at the corner of Forest avenue and On the evening of July 11th, the Railroad street in the past week have probably seen that the court has taken of Minneapolis, Minn., for the con- on an odd appearance. Arches and stakes have taken the place of the chalk lines and net and croquet play-\$55.15, the profits on a recent picers now try to whitewash each other nic held by the Silver Leaf Club have been turned over to the Elmhurst where "love" once reigned supreme. The newly organized Downers Grove Croquet Club have taken pos-The Lombard Reserves are taking session of the court and play has under advisement the proposition to started. The ground will be rolled and join with other such bodies under the leadership of the State Council the members are figuring on installing overhead lights so that they will not have to depend on Old Sol.

The membership to date includes: W. Lusher, Ed. Frank, J. L. Swearingen, Peter Halkier, Arthur Sweet, E. W. Harris, Nils Nelson, O. Letters advertised for the week B. Ostewig, Walter Corah and A.

#### Mrs. Caroline Rohmer Passes Away

The death of Mrs. Caroline Wolf Rohmer, widow of Anthony Rohmer, occurred at the family home, 58 So. Vine street, Tuesday morning at 7:30 o'clock after an illnes of about six weeks. Caroline Wolf was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Wolf, born May 1, 1833, at Alsace. At the age of fifteen years the family migra-Downers Grove ted to this country settling in DuPage County, just west of Downers Grove. In 1851 she was united in marriage July 26th. to Anthony Rohmer and to this union DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS in his Patri- "The Americano" ten children were born, six sons and four daughters, six of whom survive. Mrs. Louise Rahmanop, of Oak Park, George Rohmer of Naperville, William of Lace, Henry of Morris, Frank of Joliet and Philip of Hinsdale. The Vaudeville offering for Saturday consists of Novelties. amusing There are twenty-two grandchildren and twenty-nine great-grandchildren. She also is survived by one brother and one sister living in Hinsdale, Wer Valen and Company, surprising Mechanical Nov-Fred Wolf and Mrs. John Bohlander. Mr. Rohmers death occurred September 21, 1905. Mrs. Rohmer has been a resident of Hinsdale for the past nineteen years.

Funeral services were held from the German Emanuel church at 1:30 Rev. Arle of Elmhurst presided. Bur dozen familiar imitations in a story way; absolutely the smallest Cello ever made, adapted in at Bronwood cemetery.—Hinsdale from the old historic instrument, Viola DeGambe, and converted into a minature Cello.

GEO. M. COHAN

IN "BROADWAY JONES"

Popular Playwright will be seen Curtiss Theatre, Next Thursday

In keeping with the progressive policy of his theatre, Manager Campbell of the Curtiss Theatre has secured George M. Cohan's first photoplay, CURTISS THEATRE, Downers Grove VAUDEVILLE and MOVIES SELECTED to be released by Arteraft Pictures, "Broadway Jones"

Ever since the early days of the motion picture, George M. Cohan has KOLB & DILL in "The Three Pals" been approached by various big moion picture interests with flattering offers but it was not until a few months ago that he finally decided to branch out into this field. At the A special feature production carefully prepared for the elaborate head of his own company he commenced activities in the motion picture art. with the same enthusiasm and energy that has marked his great success in theatricals. Selecting "Broadway Jones," conceded to be his biggest stage hit and which was written and produced by himself, he nakes his bow as a screen star and that the film version of this play will ven score a greater success than the original play is freely predicted.

"It was not because I have understimated the potency of the motion picture nor its great popularity and the fact that it has come to stay and The members of Battery C, who exert a great influence on the life are now training at Ft. Sheridan of the people that kept me from the with their regiment, the First Illicamera heretofore," said the popular nois Field Artillery, arrived here actor-author-producer recently in con- Sunday morning for a visit with nection with his tardy decision in be- home folks, coming connected with the motion Leave was given them by the cappicture field. "I have been so very tain until 10 p. m. and they were all busy with my theatrical affairs that glad to take advantage of the offer. never felt I had time to devote to Not one of them had anything but it which I knew was quite necessary praise for the camp and their officers. in order to make the big success it They claim the distinction of being demands. Now that I am in the members of the best Battery in the game, I am giving it my very best regiment with the best officers. To

haps, than anyone else of today, name- worked. tie touches, so well known throughout game.

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VIVIAN MARTIN IN "THE WAX MODEL !!

Tuesday evening, July the Twenty-fourth

A photoplay which brings out the wonderful piquancy and charm which has made Vivian Martin one of the most popular stars on the screen, will be seen at the Dicke Theatre on July 24th, when she appears in the "Wax Model" a thrilling drama of studio life, written especially for the star and produced under the direction of

E. Mason Hopper. In "The Wax Model" Miss Martin is seen as the foremost and most popular artist's model in London. She has not won this prominence by beauty of face and figure alone, but by her charming, and youthful manner and grace.

A young Englishman falls in love first with the wax figure and then with the original, but seeing her en joying the gay Bohemian life which he does not understand, turns against her. The young Englishman is the first of her many admirers with whom she is sincerely in love. She writes many notes of explanation after he has lost faith in her, but they are returned unopened. How she saves his sister from the clutches of a married man, how her love leads her to abandon her profession and into poverty, and how the tangled threads are finally unraveled and she is restored to the man she loves are brought about in an interesting and gripping

As the charming young model, Mis-Martin has an opportunity to display a number of exquisite gowns and frocks which will be of special interest to her thousands of girl admirers.

#### BATTERY C BOYS VISITED HOME

efforts, having studied it from every illustrate Max Butler said that almost as soon as they arrived, the captain Few American writers for the stage set them at the task of ditching the have caught the real spirit of what company street and getting the the people want better than this Mr. grounds in shape. The other bat-Cohan and "Broadway Jones" is par- teries loafed along during the first ticularly a happy choice as his initial few days and did practically nothing. O screen vehicle. The subject gives him Result, when Sunday came around an opportunity to shine in the very Battery C, received leave and the the kind of thing he can do better, per- other batteries stayed in camp and

esting and dramatic story about a was played between "C" and "F" in talents better than any other, he has Downers Grove boys, Sam Bertolin, given himself a vehicle in "Broadway Grant Nash and George Nargney Jones" which allows his characteris- played with C, and helped win the

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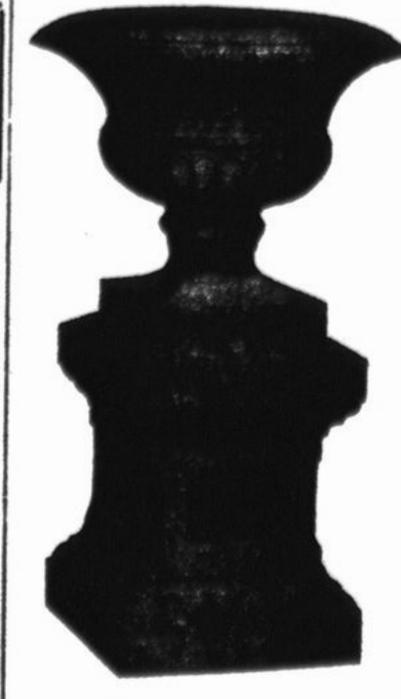
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