

IN AND AROUND THE HIGH SCHOOL

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The first basketball game will be a week from today, Friday, Dec. 21st. The game is scheduled with Deerfield-Shields and it will be a good one. Coach Hawley first called out the boys last Tuesday afternoon and thirty candidates for positions on the teams were present. Several of them held down positions on last year's second team and have a knowledge of the game.

If the town people will come out to the games and support us as well as they did in football we will have a very successful season.

There was a great deal of "giving" going on in the high school last Friday morning, even though it isn't yet Christmas. The Commercial Law class furnished a "giving" program under the auspices of the Juniors.

Such valuable things were given away as "power of attorney," "quit-claim deed," "will," "chattel mortgage," etc. The school was much interested in hearing read the will of Leo Rogers, wherein he, "being of sound mind at times," bequeathed his book on "How to Make Hair Curly," his sunny disposition and other choice possessions to his various friends.

Bennet Allison, we learned, has given a quit-claim deed to his loitering place at the corner Drug Store to John Ehninger, who, it is said, is fully able to appreciate such a document.

According to some of the folks, Fred Witt, the general factotum of our building, now has a Chattie Mortgage on Mr. Hawley's Saxon.

The power of attorney exposes several secrets belonging to Mr. Hawley and "Chuck" DeWitt which we will not publish.

And so the "giving" went merrily on. Verily, we believe that many members of the Commercial Law class will be eligible for admittance to the bar ere long.

The date of the football party has been changed because all the members of Co. H will have to go to Battalion drill on Friday night.

Tuesday morning, Lieutenant Slusser, who graduated from our school in 1900, gave us a very interesting and worth-while talk. We were given a clearer understanding of some parts of the war when he told us something of the instruments used in this modern warfare. After telling us several stories, he strongly emphasized the fact that it is not merely the army which carries on the war, but the whole nation is involved in the struggle, and that we must do our part.

Don't forget the Deerfield game on the evening of the 21st. Deerfield beat us in football, and although they have the larger school, we will have to show them something in the basket ball line.

Also, don't ask a senior to go out after dark for a while. The Seniors are studying "Macheth" and they must be at home working at their lesson.

"THE WHIP"

World's Biggest Picture Coming to the Curtiss Hippodrome Theatre.

When "The Whip" was first shown privately in New York City to a little group of film men, the verdict was unanimous that here was a wonderful picture should have," said one man and none of the things that a motion picture should not have. It has snap dash, fire, romance, youth, thrills, excitement, big scenes and splendid actors. It is staged on a lavish scale. It has been superbly directed and the photography is perfect. This is a wonderful production.

This opinion is being echoed by the hundreds of thousands of people in all parts of the country who are seeing this wonderful picture. They are being immensely entertained by the consistently, intense and wholly pleasing story; they are being amazed by the magnitude and immensity of the big scenes; they are being thrilled by the exciting train wreck and the exciting horse race at Saratoga, and they are leaving the theaters after seeing "The Whip" declaring that it is the biggest motion picture in the world.

The people of this city will have the opportunity of adding their chorus of approval to the general verdict of all people who like a good entertainment, for "The Whip" is coming here. This supreme offering of film-dom will be the attraction at the Curtiss Hippodrome Theatre on Thursday, December 20th.



Orphans to Rent - A Children's Christmas Story
 George McKim

It was Christmas eve at the Bayville Home for Orphans, and three little boys sat in the chilly dining room looking out at the flying flakes of snow. It was after supper, and there was a clatter of dishes in the kitchen.

"They say," said Jimmy, "there's going to be a big Christmas tree in the parlor tomorrow, and candy and presents and everything, but I'd rather hang up my stockings than have all the old Christmas trees. You betcha I would!"

"So would I!" echoed Bobby and George.

"That trustee who was here today would make a dandy man for a father or an uncle," said Bobby.

"He's awful rich."
 "And he ain't got any children or any folks at all."
 "I wish he'd dopt me," reflected George.

"He patted my head."
 "He must be lonesome without any folks," began Bobby. Then he leaned over and whispered to his companions.

Fifteen minutes later three little boys, the oldest ten and the youngest six, let themselves through a basement door and hurried across the snowy yard to the opening in the hedge which led through a patch of woods to the village.

Mr. Bartley, the trustee, who often visited the home, lived in a big house with a wonderful garden. Everything was blanketed in snow now, and the big house was dark save for a few lighted windows on the lower floor.

Soon they stood on the porch peering in at a cozy library, where Mr. Bartley sat in a big chair before the fire, looking very lonesome. A big dog, a collie, sat beside him with his head on his master's knee.

Suddenly the dog lifted his head and barked. Mr. Bartley looked toward the window and saw the three little frightened boy faces peering in. In a jiffy he had jumped up, opened the window and lifted them in one at a time.

"Good gracious me! What are you doing out there?" he demanded.

"Please, sir, we're from the home," said Bobby. "We knew you lived all alone—and we thought maybe you'd like to hire us three kids to spend Christmas with you. We don't want any tree," explained Bobby. "We just want to hang up our stockings and wake up—something like home—before we came to the 'asylum.' Tears were in the boys' eyes now.

Mr. Bartley furnished a handkerchief and tried to laugh, but his voice cracked so queerly.

"Now, that's a funny thing," he declared. "I was just wishing I had three nice boys to spend Christmas with me—and maybe live with me all the time."

By and by Mr. Bartley called a manservant, and together they took the three little boys up to bed.

Then they hung their stockings on the big four-post bedstead, and in two minutes they were sound asleep, while the servant, Martin, nodded in a chair outside in the hall and Mr. Bartley, buttoned into a fur-lined overcoat, went striding down the snowy street to the brightly lighted shops.

I don't know who was the happier that Christmas morning, the three little boys with stockings full of treasures or big Mr. Bartley, whom they called "Uncle Dick." And the best of it all was that Mr. Bartley adopted all three of the little kids who came to him that Christmas eve, and they are growing into such fine, big boys.



The Dog Lifted His Head and Barked.

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Weekly War News Digest

Stories of Activities and Conditions Throughout the United States and on the Battle Fronts, Compiled for Newspapers by the Committee on Public Information at Washington, D. C.

Plans Are Made for Care of Injured Returned from Europe

The receiving hospital for United States soldiers brought back from Europe, to be established at Staten Island, New York will have a capacity of 2,500 beds. This marks the beginning of a comprehensive plan for the care of soldiers who are disabled in the line of duty. It will be used only for distribution.

From the Staten Island institution men will be transferred to general or special treatment hospitals, sites for which are now being selected throughout the country. Whenever possible, injured soldiers will be sent to places near their own homes. They will be fitted for trades to which they are adapted, and at the time of discharge the Government will assist them in returning to their proper places in industry.

War Has Demanded of Wireless Telegraphy

Many young men who a few months ago were picking up fugitive messages on rudely constructed amateur instruments in their homes are now serving at important radio posts on sea and ashore. The war has revealed what a large number of young men were interested in radio experimentation and service. A school for men enlisted in the radio service was opened at Harvard University, where 2,000 men are training, 400 graduating every month.

In addition to the war work, routine peace services are continued, including storm signals, weather reports and bulletins informing ship commanders of floating wrecks, buoys out of position, ice bergs, and other obstructions to navigation.

On the Atlantic are three high power stations capable of trans-Atlantic communication, and four high-powered stations are located on the Pacific coast.

Since the opening of the war the expansion of the personnel in training in the radio service has been more than 1,000 per cent.

The strength of the naval reserve force is 250 men, 70 per cent of whom volunteered for general service.

The National Council of Women, meeting in Washington for war work, embraces 27 national women's organizations representing 7,000,000 American women.

According to Secretary Daniels, there was turkey for the Thanksgiving dinner of every man in the Navy. A naval supply ship arrived in European waters in time to furnish the men on the submarine-hunting destroyers with the traditional Thanksgiving fare.

Application for war-risk insurance are now far past the billion-dollar mark. All soldiers, sailors, marines and nurses in active service may buy insurance from the Government at the rate of 65 cents a month at the age of 21 to \$1.21 a month at the age of 51 for each \$1,000.

Every postal employee in the United States has been instructed to take an active part in the campaign for the sale of war-savings stamps. In order to reach the desired sales mark of \$2,000,000,000 by January 1, 1919, stamps to average \$16.50 for each it will be necessary to sell sufficient man, woman, and child in the country.

The port of New York is under military control, the water fronts being guarded by the regular army. Fully armed guards prohibit the passage of any person, alien or citizen, who cannot establish a business reason for access to the water front areas. The same military control will be established at all other American ports and may include factories engaged in war work.

LODGE & CLUB DIRECTORY

GROVE LODGE NO. 824, A. F. & A. M.—Stated meetings, second and fourth Fridays at 8 o'clock p. m. at Masonic hall, Curtiss and Main streets. Fred Dove, Secretary; Henry E. Tank, Worshipful Master.

GROVE CHAPTER, NO. 230 R. A. M.—Stated meeting first Thursday of each month in Masonic hall at 8 o'clock p. m. Visiting Companions always welcome. T. H. Slusser, E. H. P., H. F. Legenhause, Secretary.

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DOWNERS GROVE WOMANS CLUB—Meets every alternate Wednesday, beginning second Wednesday in October and closing last Wednesday in April. Mrs. Jonas R. Foster, President; Mrs. E. H. Huntington, Jr., Secretary.

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6-room modern house with sleeping porch, only \$25.

6-room house, cement basement, steam heat, laundry, bath, fireplace, extra large lot, good location, owner is anxious to sell. Price \$3800. Make offer.

2 acres with 7-room house; this property is in best condition; chicken house; about two blocks from village limits. Price \$4600.

New 6-room house with all modern improvements, large front porch, sleeping porch, lot 65x175, large shade trees, a real bargain for \$3800. Easy terms.

At present I have 2 1/2-ft. lots 1/4 block from village limits, east front, a bargain at \$350.

7-room stucco house with hot water heat, all improvements in best of locations, only two blocks from depot. Price \$4500.

70-acre farm, all tiled, good buildings, on main stone road, near village limits. Owner is anxious to sell. Make me an offer.

6-room concrete bungalow with cement basement, laundry, furnace heat bath, fireplace, large porch, on paved street, good location. Price \$3600.00 easy terms.

3 1/2 acres, 5-room house, about one block from village limits; owner will sell at a low figure. This house is only three years old. City gas, extra large cistern; a bargain for someone.

3 1/2 acres with 6-room house, large barn, extra large chicken house, all kinds of fruit, deep well, gas, about 15 minutes walk to station. Price 4700

1 1/2 acres, 6-room house, garage, barn, chicken house, fruit trees, about 3 blocks from village limits, a bargain for \$3200.

If you are interested in acre property let me know as I have at present several acre tracts for sale. Prices range from \$350 to \$600 an acre. All situated in village limits.

6-room house, hot water heat, bath, laundry, 2 1/2-ft. lots, chicken house, fruit. A bargain for \$2600. Make offer

6-room house, all modern, lots 76x 132, best of location, owner is anxious to sell at once, reasonable terms, make offer.

If you are looking for a good lot for \$200 let me hear from you.

4-room cottage with stone foundation, cement basement, electric light, water, gas, also small barn. This property is in good condition and is a bargain for \$1,900.

6-room house, with steam heat, cement basement, bath, with 2 1/2-ft. lots, on paved street best neighborhood. Price, \$3,500.

If you are looking for a cheap lot on the south side let me hear from you.

7-room house, hardwood floors down stairs, water, gas, and bath, large lot, fruit trees, chicken house. Price \$3000.

5-room bungalow, water and gas, about 4 blocks from station, \$1,500.

50-ft. lot east front, good location, on paved street. Price \$400.

6-room new stucco house on paved street, cement basement, furnace heat laundry, large living room, book cases buffay, oak trim, bath, sleeping porch near station, good neighborhood. A bargain at \$4,300. Terms.

6-room house, hot water heat, all modern, best part of north side. 3800.00

5 1/2x142 east front lot, just outside of village limits, good neighborhood, price \$200.

7-room house, cement basement, furnace heat, laundry, bath, fireplace, electric lights, large lot. \$4,300.

5-room bungalow, new, all modern, good location, east front, lot 75x125, Price, \$3,600.

50-ft. lot just outside of village limits gas, water, electric light. A bargain for \$250.

7-room house, steam heat, bath, hard wood floors downstairs, lot 65x 152. Price \$3600. Easy Terms.

FARMS

120 acres, fair buildings, about 3 1/2 miles from Downers Grove. Price per acre, \$125.

158 acres on main stone road. Price \$135 per acre, make offer.

If you are looking for an 80-acre farm, I have them from \$125 to \$225 per acre.

5 acres at edge of town, near school, in reach of electric light, gas and village water. Ask me about the price.

30 acres on main stone road, part timber, about 1 1/2 miles from depot. \$150 per acre.

If you don't find the property you are looking for in this list call up 266-J as I have a number of others that might interest you.

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