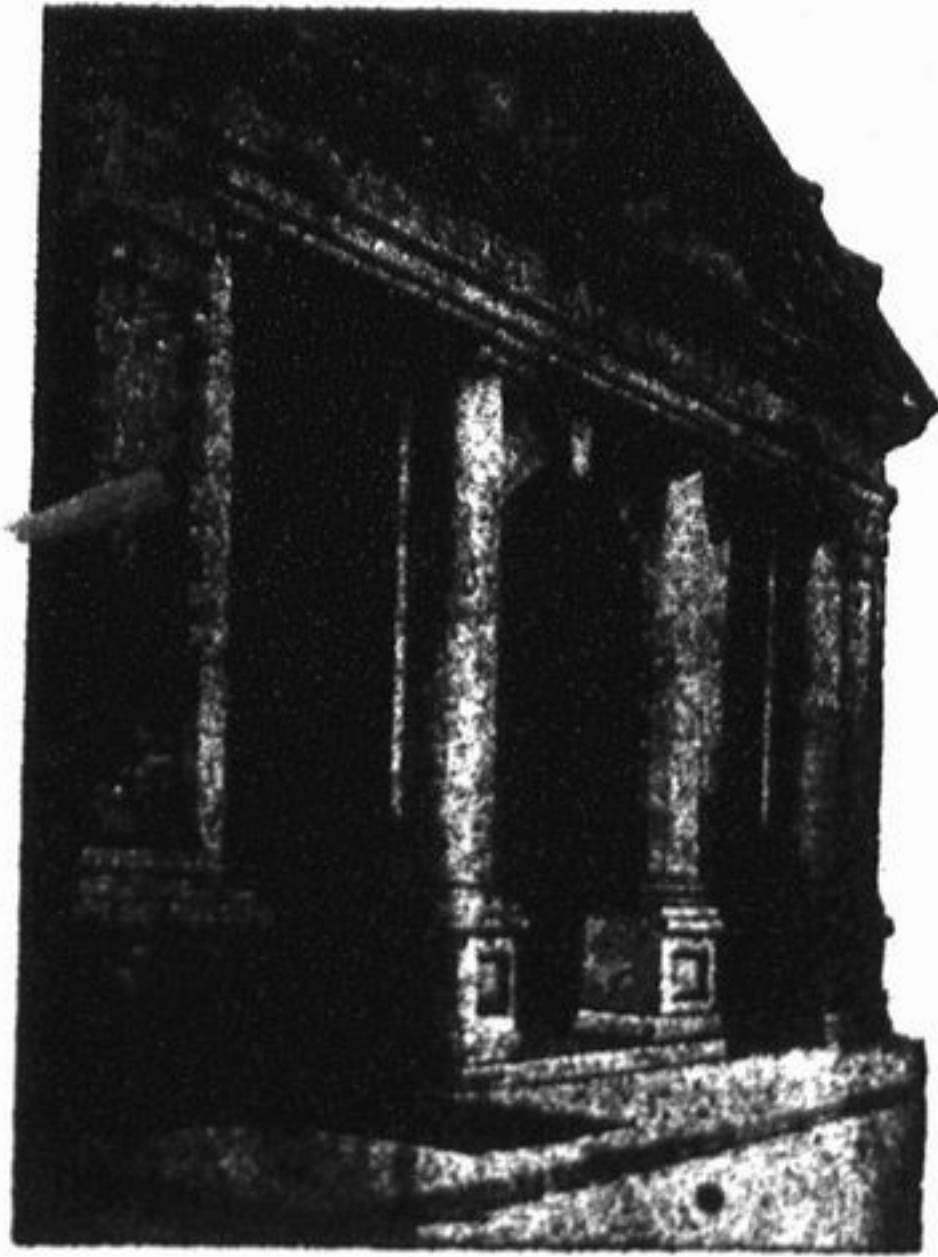


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THRIFT

The Glorious Lincoln, through force of necessity, knew only too well the value of thrift.

But whether like he, we be of lowly origin, or whether we have the fortune of first seeing the light of day in a palatial home, Thrift is, has been and always will be the sign of character and genuine worth.

The savings habit is a Thrifty habit. Have you started your savings account? If not, do so at once.

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FIRST NATIONAL BANK
 Downers Grove, Illinois.

Grocery Specials

Dried Prunes, per pound 16c, 3 pounds	25c
Large can Nanticoke Peas, in syrup	22c
9 1/4 pound box Macaroni or Spaghetti, per box	\$1.00
10 ounce bottle Catsup	12c
Witch Molasses, per can 12c, 3 cans	32c
Aurora Red Kidney Beans, per can 15c, 2 cans	25c
Fancy Santos Coffee, per pound	21c
Wheat Hearts Breakfast Food, per pound	10c
Mince Meat, per package, 15c, 3 for	35c
10 bars White Linen Soap for	48c
12 oz. jar Century Brand Jellies, 3 for	25c
Keen Kleanser, 5 cans	21c
3 pound bag Tropic Blend Coffee	85c
HEBE—Composed of evaporated skim milk and vegetable fat	2 cans 25c

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ATTRACTIVE NEW PLAIDS, STRIPES AND CHECKS IN GINGHAMS FOR LADIES DRESSES. NEAT CHECKS AND PLAIDS FOR CHILDRENS DRESSES. PLAIN COLORS IN ALL SHADES.

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J. W. NASH The Corner Grocery
 Phone 59 - M

CONGREGATIONS WERE LARGE AT UNION SERVICES

Third Sunday of Joint Meetings Marked by Increasing Attendance. Union Program Appeals

Three successive Sundays of blizzardous weather encountered by the co-operating Churches of the Village since their get-together campaign began, have put a severe test upon the new movement. That the test has been successfully met was abundantly demonstrated last Sunday by the large attendance which marked the services held during the day. Both groups had congregations which comfortably filled the Methodist and Congregational auditoriums in the morning, and at the union evening service held in the Congregational church, that building was crowded to the doors.

From the time the Sunday schools convened in the morning, to the moment when the benediction closed the great meeting at night, a spirit of earnest enthusiasm, of devotion, of unity was manifest at all the meetings. Both Sunday schools reported an increased attendance and a growing interest. The children voiced their enthusiasm by their vigorous singing, as well as by their participation in the other exercises. The union young peoples meeting in the evening, was vibrant with life and youthful earnestness.

Rev. P. G. Nuffer, preaching before the Evangelical-Methodist congregation spoke on "Confessing Christ." "As representatives of Christ it is the duty of Christians to confess him before men, everywhere and all the time. He is counting on them." The speaker held up the dignity and glory of the Christian heritage as something that should inspire a worthy pride of confession. If the victims of sin were unashamed then surely the followers of Jesus Christ, the very incarnation of all purity and goodness, should be outspoken and frank in their acknowledgement of Him. Mr. Nuffer's message was timely and earnest, and carried with it a reminder of the opportunity which confronts the Christian forces of Downers Grove at the present time. The special music by the joint choirs was a helpful feature of the service.

The Baptist-Congregational group heard a sermon on prayer by Rev. Norman Gould Oliver. Mr. Oliver pointed out the conditions necessary for availing prayer. "Many Christians," he said, "short circuit the telephone line of prayer by their connivance at sin." Successful prayer demanded as a prerequisite the renunciation of all sin. But God hears even the greatest sinner who is repentant and desires pardon. He delights to receive all who will thus come to Him through faith in His Son Jesus Christ. Every sincere seeker after truth will be rewarded. He who abides in Christ and whose words abide in him always prays effectually. Mr. Oliver made an earnest appeal for a fuller compliance with the conditions of successful prayer on the part of every hearer. Preceding the sermon, Mr. Grey spoke to the children on "The Sweet and the Sour Life."

The high tide of interest was reached at the evening service, when a representative gathering from all the churches filled the Congregational auditorium, upstairs and down. A prominent feature of the service was the magnificent congregational singing. Just to have heard that congregation sing, "Rock of Ages," was reward enough for the tramp through the snow. The joint choirs of the Baptist-Congregational churches, accompanied at the piano by Miss Beattie Nash and at the organ by Miss Grace Towaley, sang most effectively, and a solo by Miss Lemke added inspiration to the occasion.

Rev. Paul Crusius was the speaker for the evening. His message was based on 1 Sam. 3:10—"Speak, Lord, for thy servant heareth." Mr. Crusius emphasized the lesson of obedience to the divine call, illustrated by the example of Samuel. Calling attention to the parallel between the childhood of Samuel and that of Jesus, in that both were presented by their parents in the temple, Mr. Crusius emphasized the importance of parental influence as a formative factor in the religious life of the child. Failure

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LOCAL SUGAR SITUATION IS VERY SERIOUS

Grocers Advocate a Sugar Card System to Make Distribution Fair to Everyone Here

That the local sugar supply is very short was found by a representative of The Reporter in a survey of the stores yesterday noon. Unless shipments have come in this morning, which is doubtful, there is not a pound of sugar to be had.

At noon yesterday Lehman & Michel's and Kehler's had not a grain, Gerwig, with 25 pounds on hand, was doling it out in pound lots. J. W. Nash received a 100 pound shipment in the morning but said he thought it would all be gone before night.

None of the merchants could say at what time more was expected. Something must be done if the freight situation does not soon improve. There is plenty of sugar in the country according to the government investigators, but, it cannot be moved.

There are sugar hoarders right here in the Grove. With plenty of it in the house to last for weeks, every time a store gets in a supply, they buy the limit. A sugar card system in Downers Grove, allotting a stated amount per family per week, is the only fair system. Each family would get a card and no matter where the buying was done they could only buy once in a week. This system will take care of those patriotic enough to use as little sugar as possible and also keep the hoarders from piling it up.

Downers Grove grocers, those who could be reached yesterday morning, favor such a plan and it should be put into operation immediately. Downers Grove has been in the lead in more than one movement, let us lead in this.

BEAUTIFUL WEATHER?

Yes, F. D. Lindley Writes From California that it is Indeed Beautiful -- Drat Him!

The contrast between blizzard after blizzard and 20 below zero for days at a time and blue skies, warm breezes and all the rest can be seen in the following letter.

Los Angeles, Cal., 1-23-18

Dear Mr. Staats:
 Wish you would send my Reporter to 454 So. Figueroa St., Los Angeles, until further notice, which in other words will be when you fellows stop "digging out." Reached here without accident or incident, but one hour late. Passed through temperature from 20 above to 20 below, the latter figure being in New Mexico, with snow nearly all the way to the California line. I notice gasoline signs read 20 cents. Butter is 57, eggs 65, 2 big heads of lettuce 5 cents, and 3 pounds of tomatoes 10 cents. Beautiful weather. Have had less than one inch of rainfall this season as against nearly ten last year.

Yours very truly,
 F. D. Lindley

WOMANS CLUB PROGRAM FINE

The program by the resident clergymen's wives given at the Womens Club Wednesday afternoon, was most delightful. The largest attendance marked the afternoon that has been at any meeting this season. The afternoons music, furnished by the Misses Marian Lower, Gwendolyn Griffiths and Margaret Campbell was greatly appreciated by the Club.

REV. E. B. GOODWIN LECTURES IN CHICAGO

Rev. Eneas B. Goodwin pastor of St. Joseph's, is giving a series of lectures on the meaning of present conditions, in St. Patrick's church, Adams and Desplaines streets, every Sunday afternoon at 3:30. Last Sunday he lectured on "Legislation and Morality" to an audience of about eight hundred people. The subject for next Sunday afternoon will be "The Newer Authority."

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OUR POLICY

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