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"And The Star Spangled Banner Forever Shall Wave, O'er The Land of The Free and The Home of The Brave."



LETTERS FROM DOWNERS GROVE SOLDIER BOYS

EARL DOWNER IS ON GUARD DUTY IN ARLON, BELGIUM

January 5th, 1919.

Dear Mother:

This is Sunday morning and I will write you a few lines to let you know that I am well and hope you all are the same.

I am with my company again and got all of the letters that you sent and the pictures. I guess it took me about half a day to read them all over.

Well, I sure made some trips since I wrote that last letter. We went from the hospital to a town called Neuerens, France and then near the Swiss border. It was a pretty ride through there for it is all little valleys and mountains. Then we got back as far as Verdun on New Year's night and the whistles blew and the machine guns played 'the machine gun blues,' and the band played 'A Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight.' From there we went to Luxemburg and got off there and I took a walk with a couple of other boys over the city and is sure a pretty place. I guess you would like to see it for its there that they make quite a bit of lace, and supposed to be the finest in the world.

Then a bunch of us came to Belgium where my company is stationed now doing guard duty. The name of the town is Arlon and its quite a nice town and a pretty big one too.

The Germans went through here but didn't shoot it up any that I can see. The residents here told us that when they went back it took them fourteen days and nights to get to the town. They left some of their cannon here in a field. There are stationed here now French, American and Australian soldiers. We are in a nice big building, two or three to a room.

Well, I must close, with lots of love. Earl (Downer)

GROVE CHAPTER 500 PARTY ENJOYED BY ALL

About seventy Royal Arch Masons and their ladies attended the Five Hundred Party given by Grove Chapter in Library Hall Saturday evening. Seven games were played and honors were awarded Mrs. G. C. Butler and W. H. Eichelman, also Mrs. A. C. Burt and J. C. White.

After the card game the floor was cleared and dancing followed.

This is the first of a series of social evenings which Grove Chapter is to have, and with the interest and success that attended this party Grove Chapter will soon have every Royal Arch Mason looking forward to these occasions.

PROMINENT FAMILIES UNITED

The Baptist parsonage was the scene of a quiet wedding Thursday afternoon, January 30th, when Rev. J. B. Little united in marriage Miss Nellie G. Kennedy and Mr. Joseph M. Chizum, both members of prominent families of Morris. Mr. Chizum is a very generous farmer of Morocco where they will make their home after returning from a honeymoon in the south. The bride is a very active worker in the Baptist church in Morris. Rev. Little's former charge. Mrs. J. B. Little, Mrs. Frank Harper, Mrs. Floyd Easton and Mrs. E. S. Near served as witnesses. Immediately after the cutting and serving of the wedding cake the happy couple started on their trip.

PURPLE AND GLEN ELLYN SPLIT GAMES

First Team Lost and Seconds Won Friday Night—Return Games Here To-night

The Purple five jaunted to Glen Ellyn last Friday evening and met defeat in a wild fray. The game lacked the pep the local five usually displays and also the skill at basket shooting. An alibi for not winning is usually of zero value to D. G. H. S but in this case it can readily be said the team was lost.

Glen Ellyn does not boast of a wonderful gym. It is small and the rafters are extremely low abolishing any long shots. The walls were not out of bounds and the Purple quintet being unaccustomed to a small floor could not make any headway. Glen Ellyn Plays Better Game.

Throughout the game Glen Ellyn surpassed the locals in their playing. Using a style which can only be played in a small gym they showed skill in floor work. The shooting was poor for the numerous shots they had. Shurte of the locals opened the score with a free throw and with a basket, by Bush and another free throw the locals had a four point lead. Addie of the Glen Ellynites... and ringered three neat goals in close succession. The locals tried to brace but all in vain. Glen Ellyn climbed to 15 and the Purple managed to scrape up eight points before the half ended.

Locals Brace in Final Period. Downers got away to a good start in the second half with baskets by Vaughn and Capt. Bush. The locals played a good defensive game only a little too good as Paine of Glen Ellyn had a good eye at free throws. Glen Ellyn caged but one field goal in the second period. When the final whistle blew the score was 22-13 with the Purple trailing.

Second Team Cops Bacon. Altho the "varity" took a fall the seconds got away big and brought home their first bacon in years. Playing in good style and with lots of pep they took Glen Ellyn seconds off their feet. With Peterson and Roth in the lineup the team was greatly strengthened. Early in the game Roth slipped in a neat basket from the side which opened up the scoring. Out of five chances of free throws Morton caged four. At half time Downers led a 6-2 score. The second half was wild and merely a fray. Glen Ellyn failed to score. Peterson of the Grove caged a field goal shortly before the game ended with an 8-2 score.

Glen Ellyn H. S. Entertains. Glen Ellyn is the High School of hospitality. So all teams have said who ever played there and the D. G. H. S. team also wishes to state the same thought. After the game all were invited to remain and enjoy themselves in dancing. That is the spirit which has been raising in D. G. H. S. Better games and more sportsmanship among schools will arise thru that channel.

Return Game To-night. Tonight Glen Ellyn comes here and without a doubt the locals should win. Come out and show our friends that we can treat them better than they did us. Next Friday Hinsdale journeys to Downers Grove.

Lineup table for Downers Grove (13) vs Shurte, R. F., Bush, L. F. (Capt.), Vaughn, C., Boon, R. G., Grumbaus, L. G., Allison, R. F.

Has Any One

- Died— Elope— Divorced— Had a fire— Embzzled— Left Town— Had a baby— Sold a farm— Had a party— Come to town— Been arrested— Had twins or colic— Sold a cow or lost an auto— Laid in a stack of whisky— Stolen a dog or his friend's wife— Committed suicide, or murder— Fallen from an airplane or— Fallen into a coal hole or— Fallen into a legacy?

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Score table for Glen Ellyn (22) vs Allen, R. F., Addie, L. F., Heatt, C., Doig, R. G., Paine, L. G.

Free throws missed—Shurte 3 Paine 6.

Score table for Second team lineup: Downers Grove (8) vs Morton, R. F., Mills, L. F., Peterson, C., Phelps, R. G., Roth, L. G.

Score table for Glen Ellyn (2) vs Shock, R. F., Templin, L. F., Wagner, R., Hopping, R. G., Donaldson, L. G.

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FARE INCREASE POSTPONED PENDING INVESTIGATION

The United States Railroad Administration has announced that the proposed suburban rate fare increase has been postponed "pending an opportunity for a full review before an appropriate tribunal."

This brought joy to the hundreds of thousands of suburban residents of Chicago Tuesday evening when it was announced in the Chicago evening papers.

P. S. Eustis, chairman of the Western Passenger Traffic Committee of the Railroad Administration has sent out a notice to this effect as follows:

"Before decision in this matter was reached, the Public Utilities Commission of the State of Illinois was consulted as to the propriety of the action proposed. It was pointed out that the actual cost of maintaining the service by the steam roads was greater than the revenue now being derived, and that it was reasonably certain, at the present time, that it would equal two cents per mile.

"The Utilities Commission responded that if this particular rate referred to was advanced by the steam roads the Commission would under all circumstances prefer that the Federal Administration assume the responsibility. As result of this correspondence, it was assumed that there would be no objection to the action proposed by the Federal Railroad Administration, and announcement was made accordingly.

"In view of subsequent developments, the Director General has today instructed that the changes proposed be postponed, pending an opportunity for a full review before an appropriate tribunal."

When this matter comes up for a hearing and final decision the suburbs should be so organized that they can make a fight for the present rates. Villages, cities and towns north, west and south of Chicago should get together for mutual protection.

Three Good Rules for Life. Make the best of everything; think the best of everybody; hope the best for yourself. By so doing you will be lifting yourself and those about you to a higher plane of living.—Exchange.

ODDFELLOWS CELEBRATED 35TH ANNIVERSARY

Downers Grove Oddfellows celebrated the thirty-fifth anniversary of the local lodge of the order Monday night. Some two score members and friends of the order were present.

"Community" singing, games and a few brief, impromptu talks by members of the lodge made up the evening, there being no attempt to have a formal program. The whole affair, in fact, was thoroughly informal and correspondingly enjoyable. A double game of "marching to Jerusalem" provided an hilarious scramble and a big ring for "drop the handkerchief" furnished a series of "one lap" sprints in which some surprising speed (?) was shown.

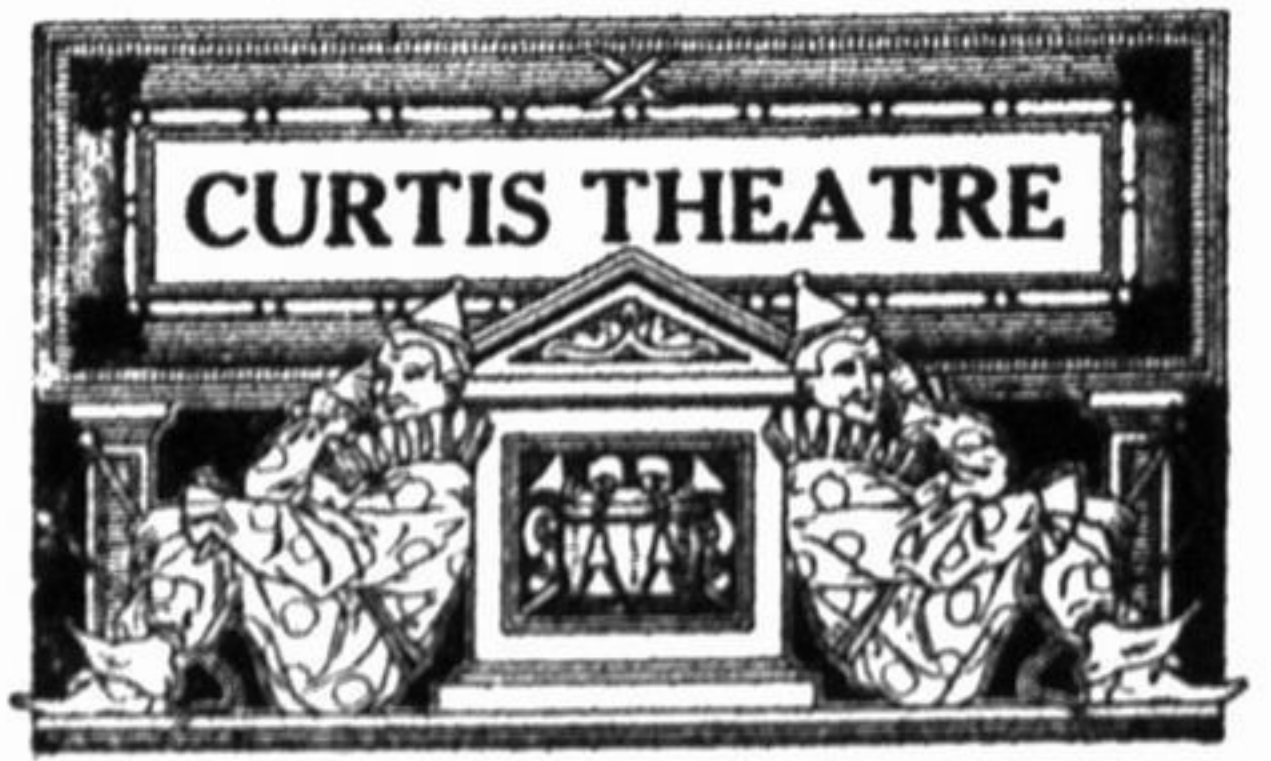
To emphasize the informality of the occasion Harold Beidelman, Noble Grand laid aside his dignity and coat and became chief "cook". His culinary efforts resulted in brick ice cream and a half a dozen varieties of cakes. Some of the cakes, it was

announced, were made by wives of the members, especial interest centering on a large white confection adorned with the insignia of the order in frosting. Mrs. George Schindl was given credit for this culinary feat and also for an highly edible collection of "hearts and hands". In the absence of evidence to the contrary, credit for the ice cream went to the "cook" of the evening.

The program was in charge of Emery Brunson. He began the evening by calling for a "grand chorus" rendition of the "Star Spangled Banner" and then, calling them by name, lined up a dozen of the most active members of the lodge in front of the platform. Then he ordered them to disperse, get busy and see that every one present met every one else. After that any formality that may have been in evidence was ended for keeps.

Remarkable Mexican Bird. A remarkable bird found in Mexico is the bee-martin, which has a trick of ruffling up the feathers on top of its head into the exact semblance of a beautiful flower; when a bee comes along to sip honey from the supposed flower it is snapped up by the bird.

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