

SOLDIERS OF TWO WARS PAID HONOR TO DEAD COMRADES

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to posterity and a wreath of evergreen and flowers was laid on the casket prepared for the purpose. "Taps" the final call of the army was blown for those who have answered the last call of the Great Redeemer.

After the services at the cemetery the members of the G. A. R. with their wives and the widows of deceased members, went to the Congregational Church to partake of the banquet spread for them by the Ladies of the Macabees, who have entertained them every Decoration Day for the past eleven years.

The largest crowd that has ever viewed the Memorial Services here overflowed Main Street. Through solid ranks of humanity at Main and Curtis and at the cemetery the vets of '61 and of '19 made their way.

The way the various activities were carried out testified greatly to the ability of Howard P. Jones, who was Marshall of the day.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Mrs. Elizabeth Sacksteder is visiting at the home of John MacLean.

Mrs. Wm. Parrish and daughter are spending the summer with her mother, Mrs. M. H. Prince.

Miss Maud Manley of Dixon, Ill. was a Decoration Day visitor at the Prince home on Oakwood Avenue.

Frederick Sacksteder spent the week end as the guest of the Nadelhoffer family.

Miss Edna Finch spent several days with her grand parents at Paxton, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Pfaff are now living in their new house on Forest Avenue.

Mrs. F. C. Lancaster was called to Ottawa this week by the death of her aunt, Mrs. John Sanders who was buried on Wednesday.

Miss Helen Anderson of La Grange, was in Downers on Tuesday. Miss Anderson is to be a June bride and has been the recipient of a number of showers and pre-nuptial affairs given in her honor.

Remember the Firemen's 4th of July picnic—Bryan's Woods. Races and other new features will be offered—many good suggestions have been given—have you any? Phone them to Henry Dicke.

The Misses Helen and Julia Cichy, Selma and Hattie Holz, Ruth Lindblad and Edward and Will Holz of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. C. Ziba and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Moebel of Downers Grove, surprised Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sheridan last Sunday. The event was a return surprise to the Sheridans who are bride and groom of a few weeks.

A jolly surprise was planned and successfully carried out at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Cooper on Saturday, May 17th. While they were absent the hostesses, Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. Hall and about 30 of their neighbors entered with a host of good things to eat. A wonderfully good time was had by all and Mr. and Mrs. Cooper were the recipients of several beautiful pieces of silver.

Decoration Day brought a happy family reunion at the home of Mrs. S. J. Dowle. Her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Moore of Pittsburg, came home for a visit and her son, Mr. A. H. Dowle had three days liberty from Great Lakes. Chicago friends who spent the day with them were: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burgess, Mrs. R. L. Parish, Miss M. B. Shelton and Mrs. M. F. Elton. Mr. C. E. Moore also came for the week end.

The North Side first grade pupils and their teacher, Miss Sweet, were pleasantly entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Babbage on

Highland Avenue, north of the Plank Road, Tuesday evening after school. Games, swinging, and sliding down the straw stack formed part of the day's pleasure. Before departing delicious refreshments were served and the children all exclaimed on leaving that they never before had such a good time.

Rev. Fleming, pastor of the M. E. Church of Downers Grove left on Monday for a two weeks' sojourn in Washington, D. C. and other eastern points of interest. His pulpit will be supplied next Sunday morning by Rev. Norman Anderson of Downers Grove and in the evening by Rev. Wm. Murphy of Chicago. Mr. Anderson and Mr. Murphy were associated in service overseas and have just recently returned. Both of these young men will have a message well worth hearing.

The Annual Memorial Service of Downers Grove Lodge No. 750, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, will be held in S. Andrews Episcopal Church on Sunday evening, June 15th at half past seven o'clock. At this service special ceremonies will be conducted in honor of Brother Marshall E. Statton. All the brethren of the Order in Downers Grove are invited to attend. The Rev. Hugh M. MacWhorter, Pastor, wishes to announce that this service is open to the community as well.

A pleasant farewell party was that given by the North Side Seventh Grade, Monday afternoon on the Beckman lawn. Outdoor games occupied the time until 6:30 p. m., when a picnic supper on the lawn was greatly enjoyed by all. The good time did not end until after sundown but before departing for home the Seventh Graders voted the party a great success and gave three cheers for their present teachers, Miss Johnston and Miss Robertson, and their former teachers, Miss Sweet, Miss Bear and Miss Larson, and their host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Beckman, whose hospitality was so generously given.

J. Howard Anderson entertained his little playmates and friends at his home on Belmont Street Tuesday afternoon, June 3d to celebrate his 4th birthday. Those present were Misses Helen Darnley, Avis Cramer, Olive Carlson, Evelyn and Alma Lanphere, Fosa Cline, Edna Kehler and Master Bobbie Burns. David Blakely, Billie Johnson, Kenneth and Norman Tholin, Melvin Kehler, George Cline, Raymond Coles. They all had a good time playing games and enjoyed the luncheon served on the lawn. Pictures were taken of the happy faces to remember the event.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Kossack entertained at their home on Oakwood Avenue June 1st. The occasion being their fifth anniversary. Dinner was served on the lawn. The guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kossack, Miss Pearl Kossack, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller and son Edward, Miss Rose Larson, Mrs. Chas. Lilly and son Charles, Mrs. Fred Kossack and son Leonard, all of Chicago and Mr. and Mrs. John Fairweather, Miss Fern Fairweather, Mrs. Mae Anderson and son Howard of Downers Grove. Mr. and Mrs. Kossack were showered with good wishes and many beautiful presents.

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When we look at the world as it is, we are often tempted to despair. We see a world of suffering and sorrow, of pain and grief, of death and decay. We see a world that is full of darkness and gloom, and we wonder how it can be so. But when we look at the world as it should be, we see a world of joy and happiness, of peace and love, of life and hope. We see a world that is full of light and glory, and we wonder how it can be so. The answer is simple: it is because of the love of God. It is because of the love of God that the world is what it is. It is because of the love of God that we have life and hope. It is because of the love of God that we have peace and joy. It is because of the love of God that we have a world that is full of light and glory. So let us love God with all our heart, mind, and strength, and let us love our neighbor as ourselves. Then we shall have a world that is what it should be. Then we shall have a world that is full of joy and happiness, of peace and love, of life and hope. Then we shall have a world that is full of light and glory. Then we shall have a world that is what it should be.

zens in the eyes of the world, or whose names fill up many a church list. Nor are they just people who are of opinion that there is a God and that Jesus Christ our Saviour is God.

REAL CHRISTIANITY means that a new kind of life is available for you, and that you are engrafted into Christ like a cutting is grafted into a stem, and henceforth you live a new and different life with new sap and vigor starting in your spiritual veins so that you are a different person. Christianity is union with Jesus Christ. In Holy Baptism you are grafted (or incorporated) into Christ and His risen, heavenly life is imparted to you so that, if you are willing to live a Christlike life, you have the power from Him to do it.

Christianity not only gives you an ideal for life, but gives you power to fulfill it.

You can, of course, (as so many unfortunate people do) make no use of your baptism, you can leave unused the spiritual vitality given you then—but you should not. If you pray earnestly, and work hard, you can succeed in living the true Christian life.

Many people fall back and say, "It is impossible to live the Christian life: too much is asked of us." But think for a moment, are these the people who pray and work hard at it? Who attend services regularly and are known and recognized as active Christians? Of course, if you do not use the means of help you will fail. If you do not eat food you will starve. Likewise if we neglect the Christian means of grace we are generally forced back on our natural goodness, and dear friends, may I stress the point here, that our natural goodness is not sufficient of itself to bring us to God or to enable us to fulfill all God's Will. The Jews proved that; hence their hope of a Messiah (whom we Christians call Jesus Christ) who should lead them to God and give them power to find Him.

The point to start from is Baptism. When you were baptized Christ adopted you into His family and gave you new powers which if you use them will enable you to live the Christian life.

Knowing this you do your best. You pray regularly and try to keep close to your Master. Gradually you find your feet. You find that "keeping straight" is not impossible; on the contrary you find that it is the clean heart and pure mind, which hold the key to the world's best gifts of friendship and beauty and love and even when you have succeeded in keeping yourself right you find that all has not yet been done. Christianity means more than keeping yourself holy. There is a great warfare always going on between God and Satan, between good and evil. One has to learn to be self-controlled not simply for its own sake but in order to qualify for fitness to engage in this great warfare. How can we fight for God and justice and righteousness if our souls are diseased and weak and our outlook narrow and selfish?

Thus, having learned self-discipline we can go out to fight for the great causes. The uplifting of the fallen, the protection of the weak, the defense of justice and mercy and truth, the tearing down of selfishness and inequality and oppression; these are scenes of action in the great campaign.

Chiefly because of our poor and wretched conception of Christianity,

we have thought of it as only an effort to be righteous and thereby have become formal and narrow minded. On the contrary if we thought of Christianity as the inheritance from Jesus Christ of a new and real life of union with Himself, whereby, after necessary effort of controlling ourselves, we were able to go out into a sinful and suffering world, and fight against the evil giants of injustice and oppression, selfishness and despair; fighting the devil wherever we met him and redeeming the lost and broken—then indeed, we should have understood Christianity and all the passion and romance which are involved in it.

New life: new power—that is Christianity!!!!

Once we understand it, we are changed men. We rise above a mere dreary morality: we are out to work, to pray, to love, to fight. We are conscious that Jesus Christ has given us His Holy Spirit to possess us and unite us to Himself. Thus it is that united to Jesus Christ, possessed by His Spirit, inspired to fight a good fight for God against evil, we at last come to comprehend in a fair measure what real Christianity really means.

Therefore (boys and girls, young men and young women) as your education progresses, moulded and guided by your own free-will, let it not be lop-sided. Do not neglect that greatest of powers, which gives strength and beauty and brings "the peace of God which passeth all understanding." Give religion its rightful place in your lives that you may "come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ."

Remember, the Christian religion is visibly represented in every community. The arms of Christian men and women are always open to receive you, that you may be with Jesus Christ, openly and actively. Christ doesn't want a vague, spineless abstract religion. Christ doesn't seek the patronizing platitudes of men who spend the Lord's Day away from His own appointed public worship. He wants men and women to be with Him—with Him openly and actively and it is your duty if you are to be well-educated, to unite yourself with the active and visible forces of religion, which are at your doors.

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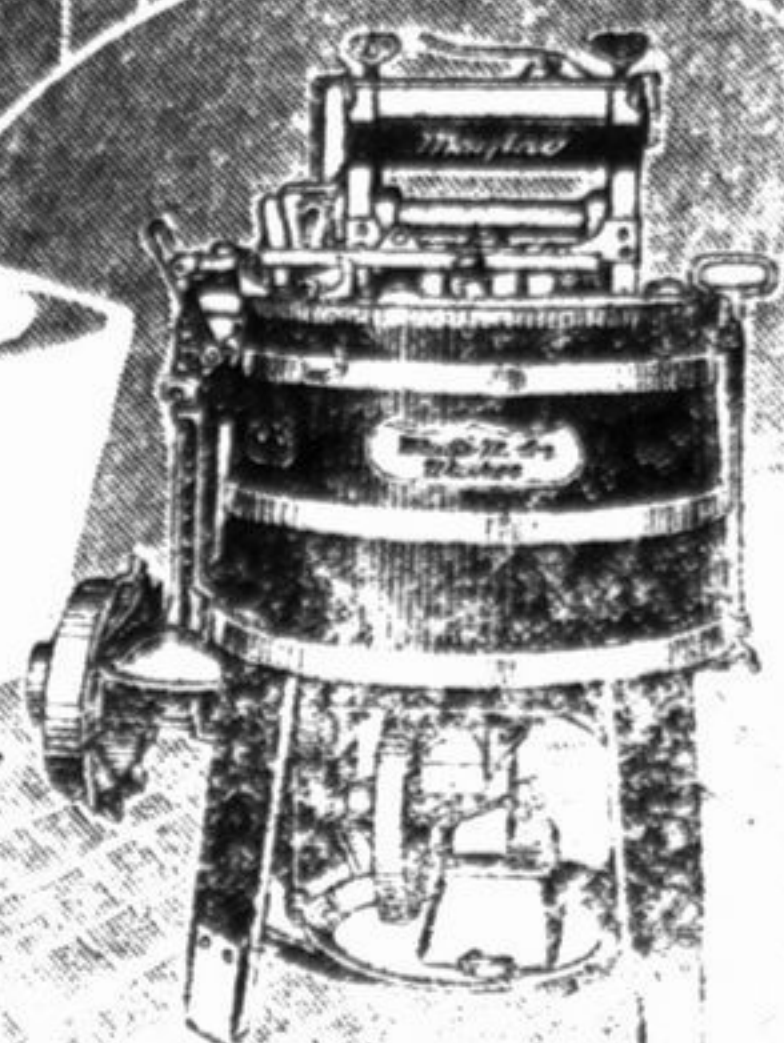
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