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## NEAR EAST RELIEF MASS MEETING AT DICKE'S SUNDAY

Local Churches Giving up Services To Combined Meeting On Sunday Evening.

Mr. Elder, a returned relief agent, stopped off in Downers Grove between trains last Sunday afternoon to present to us briefly the needs of the suffering and starving people in the Near East. He then went on to Naperville to speak at a mass meeting in which all organizations of the town united. All churches gave up their services for this purpose.

We have decided upon a similar arrangement here at Downers Grove. Next Sunday night at 8 o'clock we will all meet at Dicke's Theatre for a Big Mass Meeting in the interests of the Near East Relief. It is expected that Prof. C. B. Bowman, County Superintendent of Schools, will preside. The local High School orchestra will furnish music for the occasion. The speaker of the evening will be a native Armenian. He speaks out of experience of the awful condition of suffering and starvation over there.

The Near East Relief, formerly the American Committee for the Armenian Relief is a systematic effort to get this need. It has been organized with such men as Henry Morgenthau, J. L. Barton, Wm. H. Taft, Harold A. Hatch on the National Committee and has been incorporated under government charter for effective work.

An inventory taken last January shows that the Near East Relief already has sent to the Near East—36 physicians and surgeons; 76 nurses; 7 mechanics; 15 industrial experts; 14 bacteriologists; 13 agriculturists; 19 teachers; 20 administrators; 34 secretaries; 37 engineers; 50 supply and transport workers; 46 army officers and 172 orphanage and general relief workers.

It has provided fifteen shipments of supplies from America including food, clothing, hospital equipment, medical and surgical supplies, farm implements and machinery, farm seeds, etc.

It has made cash disbursements for relief (in addition to cargoes of flour and contributed supplies) as follows: Armenia, Cilicia and Anotolia thru Constantinople \$11,869,849.24; Syria and Palestine 5,764,899.24; Armenia in Caucasus \$8,694,959.90; Greeks in Macedonia and Thrace \$156,332.00; Refugees in Mesopotamia \$259,900.00; Armenians, Assyrians and others in Persia \$5,579,175.74, making a total of \$32,324,516.39.

Regularly distributes, in co-operation with the American Relief Administration 7,000 tons of flour each month.

It has equipped and staffed 54 relief stations; 196 orphanages sheltering 48,975 children; 44 hospitals treating monthly 148,728 clinic attendants; 16 homes for women rescued from Moslem harems and has organized and is operating industrial plants providing employment for 87,291 native workers who are thus aided to become self-supporting and to produce needed articles.

To continue this work a Nationwide campaign was begun February 1. The United States was divided into field departments, each state containing from one to seven departments and departmental directors. These departmental directors have appointed county organizers. Mrs. Coultrap of Naperville is County Organizer of DuPage County. It was under her supervision that the meeting was held last Sunday afternoon. After that meeting those present elected Mr. T. J. Owens local director and authorized the mass meeting for next Sunday night. Each organization of the village is asked to ap-

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## THANK YOU

Mrs. Mary G. Oliver writing from California says, "I congratulate you on the great improvement in your paper since I left Downers Grove last May. I am enjoying my visit here very much. Am happy to be where it is warm for one winter at least. Don't fail to send the Reporter, I look for it anxiously every week."

## REV. LITTLE GAVE FAREWELL SERMON AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Ministers of Sister Churches Had Part in Program Last Sunday Evening

At the Baptist Church last Sunday evening, February 29th, the Rev. James B. Little, retiring pastor, gave his farewell sermon at a union meeting of the five co-operating churches of the village.

The four pastors who have been associated with him, the Rev. Wm. Grotsfeld, of St. Paul's, the Rev. J. Alfred Nansen, of the First Evangelical, the Rev. J. T. Owens, of the First Congregational and the Rev. B. H. Fleming, of the First Methodist, all had a part in the program.

Rev. Fleming acted as chairman and in a few words told of the purpose of the meeting. Rev. Nansen gave the opening prayer and Rev. Grotsfeld read the Scripture lesson for the day, Psalm 103, 1-10.

The musical part of the evening was in capable hands and the following gave the solo, duet and quartette numbers. Male quartette of the Baptist church; duet, Avis Lempke and Harold Beidelman; solo, Blossom Plumly.

Rev. Little's farewell sermon to the people of Downers Grove was in line with his usual discourses. He is a forceful speaker and always has some message for his audience.

Rev. Owen gave the benediction at the close of the program, following which the audience held an impromptu farewell reception for the departing pastor.

## RECIPROCITY DAY LUNCHEON OF WOMAN'S CLUB MARCH 10

Will Entertain Members of Clubs of Eleventh District Next Wednesday Afternoon.

On next Wednesday afternoon, March 10th, the Downers Grove Woman's Club will hold open house to all clubs of the 11th district in the annual Reciprocity Day.

Luncheon will be served in the congregational church parlors at one o'clock followed by the program at two-thirty in the club rooms. Reports will be heard from the various club delegates and an interesting meeting is planned.

The program will be exceptionally fine with local artists taking a very important part.

Those who will entertain are: Miss Mamie Engelschall, Violin; Miss Zita Norpell, Piano; Mr. Roscoe Snyder, Voice; Mr. George Bunge, Saxophone. Accompanied by Marjorie Whiffen. Members and friends of the club are asked to please make luncheon reservations not later than Monday, the 8th.

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE TRANSACTS IMPORTANT BUSINESS

The Catholic Women's League of Downers Grove held their regular meeting last week at the residence of Mrs. George Brady, and transacted some very important business. At the call of the Philanthropy Committee the women brought packages of food for a needy family of the village, and a heaping bushel basket was collected. \$5.00 in money was also voted to be sent to the family in need.

The League voted to contribute \$50.00 to Rosary College, the school for women which is being erected in River Forest under the auspices of the Archdiocese. The sum of \$5.00 was also voted to the local Public Library.

## SURPRISE PARTY

A surprise party was given last Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vix, of Rogers street, it being the birthday anniversary of their son, Otto Vix.

The evening was spent in playing games, music and dancing and later bountiful refreshments were served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bertolin and son; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harrison; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stick; Mr. Henry Hogrefe and family; Mr. J. Stoudt; Mr. Harry Blue; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Vix of Hinsdale; Mr. and Mrs. in Brabac of Chicago; Miss Helen Simons of Chicago; Miss Lancelotti of Cicero and Mr. James Delany of Oak Park.

## SCHOOL TEACHERS GAVE INTERESTING PROGRAM FOR WOMAN'S CLUB

One of the most interesting Women's Club programs of the year was given Wednesday afternoon at the high school assembly hall by the teachers of the public schools. The afternoon was in charge of the Home and Educational department.

An audience which taxed the capacity of the hall, it being a meeting open to the public, was pleased from the first number on the program until the last. That there is plenty of talent among the teachers was amply demonstrated.

One of the best numbers of the afternoon was the high school chorus, under the direction of Miss Crane, musical supervisor of the schools. She also ended the program with a talk on "Music Appreciation in the Public Schools." This talk, more than

anything which has been said or done in Downers Grove in years, made it apparent to her hearers that music in the school is a necessity.

So varied was the entertainment offered by the teachers that everyone was pleased with the result.

The program follows:  
5th Grade Chorus .....  
Miss Crane, Director  
Miss McIlhenny, Accompanist  
Demonstration Lesson in French .....  
Miss Roberts, Teacher  
Latin Playlet ..... Miss Trott, Director  
Teacher's Octette .....  
Minuet ..... High School Girls  
Miss Payne, Director  
Latin Songs ..... High School Girls  
Music Appreciation in the Public Schools ..... Miss Crane

## LAST TRIBUTE TO DISCOVERER OF NORTH POLE



The man who nailed the Stars and Stripes to the North Pole—the first man ever to reach the apex of the world—an American, Rear Admiral Robert E. Peary, has been laid to rest in the Arlington National Cemetery at Washington, D. C. Full military honors marked the ceremony. Peary devoted his life's work to this feat and was rewarded with success. His name will live forever in world history. The photo was taken as the casket was taken from the home at the national capital, where he died.

## TELEPHONE CO. FRANCHISE PASSED BY BOARD

Will Be Put to Vote of People At Regular Election on April 20th.

Downers Grove, Ill., March 1, 1920. Regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Downers Grove, Ill., present at roll call Mayor W. C. Barber and Commissioners Austin and Bryce. Commissioners Haller and Heart absent. Commissioner Haller came in later.

Minutes of the meeting of February 23rd, 1920, were read and Commissioner Austin moved to approve same. On roll call Commissioner Austin, Bryce and Mayor Barber voted Aye. Nays none. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bryce presented the semi-monthly pay roll for the period from February 15th to February 29th, 1920, and various bills, and moved that same be approved and warrants drawn for the several amounts as follows:

PAY ROLL	
February 15 to February 29, 1920.	
Dept. of Public Property.	
Chas. M. Hitch—Salary	\$62.50
A. B. Snow	7.50
D. Austin	4.17
I. G. Heart	4.17
H. W. Bryce	4.17
Chas. Haller	4.17
W. C. Barber	10.42
C. Ford Davis	15.00
W. Cummings	62.50
Glen Elliott	57.50
H. L. Thompson	57.50

Earl Watkins	62.50
Arthur Hammond	40.00
Frank Allen	87.50
Expense	1.20
Dept. of Health & Safety.	
M. Venard—Salary	\$50.00
J. McMahon	50.00
Dept. Accounts & Finances.	
Petty Cash—Feb. Account	\$ 1.48
Dept. of Public Affairs.	
Downers Grove Pub. Co.	
Bill Feb. 28	\$80.00
Dept. of Health & Safety.	
Petty Cash—Feb. Account	\$ 10
Dept. of Public Property.	
Petty Cash—Feb. Account	\$ 18.44
Standard Oil Co., Bill B93402	21.00
Western Electric Co., Bills	
No. 627528	45.61
No. V 613706 D	3.05
No. 617251 D	16.80
FV 617250 M	20.97
General Electric Co., Bills	
No. C 92644	112.09
No. C 93029	12.28
W. B. Erb & Co., Bill Feb. 11	46.65
Henion & Habbell, Bill 10163	55.00
The Texas Co., Bill No. 26	598.92
W. D. Allen Mfg. Co., Bill	
February 18	41.04
Worthington Pump & Mch. Corp., Bill No. 63507	13.98
Sinclair Refining Co., Bills	
No. 40755 E	21.50
No. 42456 E	27.50
McMaster-Carr Supply Co.	
Bill No. 121151	16.34
No. 102061	6.00
Hersey Mfg. Co., Bill Feb. 6	25.99
Lord Lumber Co., Bills	
No. 127	7.50
No. 385	7.50
J. D. Gillespie & Co., Bill	
March 1st	.878
Downers Grove Garage, Bill	
March 1st	6.40
Kidwell Garage Co., Bill	
February 28th	8.00
Fred D. Heinke, Bill Mar. 1	57.25

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## SCOUTS OF TROOP ONE START SEASON WITH WOODS HIKE

Had Good Time in Forest Preserve Sunday Hunting Arrivals From South.

Last Sunday eight boy scouts from Troop No. 1, accompanied by their Scoutmaster, Mr. W. W. Heintz, went for a little hike in the forest preserve and vicinity. The main object in this trip was to look for newly arrived birds from the south and have a good time along with plenty of fresh air.

Mr. Heintz offered an honorable mention in scouting to the first boy to sight a bird (crows and sparrows excluded). After a diligent search Bud Smith sighted a downy woodpecker.

Several scouts took one of the tests by judging the height of a tree which was afterward measured by its shadow.

One of the big events of the outing was a hare and hound race. 3 boys were given a start and were to leave a trail. As soon as they were out of sight the other six followed in hot pursuit. The chase was very interesting to the last minute.

Then followed a hunt for pussie willow "vines" (thus termed by one of the scouts). These being found in due time.

There are a number of vacancies in Troop One to be filled up. If you would like to join a good, lively troop come to the old Congregational church any Monday night between 7:30 and 9:00, which is scout meeting night.

There is preparation for this summer a fine program. Join now and avoid the rush later.

## INDIA PAGEANT AT M. E. CHURCH SUNDAY MORNING

The India Mass Movement Pageant, showing how the caste system is being broken down and whole villages under the leadership of their Mayors are seeking Christian baptism, will be presented in dramatic form by the young people of the 1st Methodist church on next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The pageant will be directed by the Reverend Mr. C. E. Parker and the Reverend Mr. M. D. Ross, both of whom have served as missionaries in India for a number of years and are intimately acquainted with exotic features of that country.

The production will be a presentation of the astounding movement of the native masses of India toward Christianity, with a setting of the native life, modes of dress, customs and superstitions of the people. The Raja Yisu Aya song, which has had a tremendous influence in the Christianization of India, will be sung in the vernacular by the players in costume grouped about the village Chaudhri, and there will be added touches which the directors themselves are able to give because of their intimate knowledge of the manners and habits of the people of India.

This pageant was first given in the India Building at the Centenary Missionary Exposition at Columbus, O., and created such an impression among those who saw it that it had to be moved to one of the largest tents which seated hundreds of people.

Later it was presented with a tremendous success before an audience of 30,000.

The present production is essentially the same, and has had everywhere the same unparalleled success, arousing favorable comment for both its dramatic and instructive value. The appeal of the India Mass Movement Pageant is interdenominational, and Christians of all creeds alike have attended its presentation with profit.

## BEG YOUR PARDON

Miss Hope Kingsley is also a member of the Tahigwa Camp Fire. Her name was unintentionally omitted from the item in last week's Reporter telling of the luncheon the girls gave for their mothers.

Eight above zero this morning, forty-five above yesterday morning. This is surely some climate.

## AMERICAN LEGION ELECTED OFFICERS MONDAY EVENING

Harold Clarke Chosen as Treasurer and William James as Insurance Officer

At the regular of Alexander Bradley Burns Post, American Legion, held at their club rooms Monday night, officers were elected to fill vacancies.

On account of the resignation of Dr. W. S. Bebb as treasurer, due to his moving away from the village, Harold H. Clarke, who has been Financial Secretary, was elected Treasurer for the unexpired term.

At the next regular meeting to be held Monday, March 15th, a successor for his old office will be elected.

Each Legion Post in the country has been asked by the National organization to appoint an Insurance Officer to take care of the government insurance, which the men are carrying or will take out in the future. Wm. James was elected as the officer of the local post and all ex-service men are asked to take their insurance problems or troubles to him. He has all the latest data on the government plans and will be glad to co-operate.

Dance St. Pat's Day. It was decided that the series of dances which have been given by the local post be discontinued during the Lenten season. There will be one break, on Wednesday evening, March 17th, St. Patrick's day, when the post will run a dance.

The committee in charge has several plans for a novel affair and met last night to make this one of the banner dances of the season.

Legion Speaker. At Monday's meeting a Legion organizer was present and gave a very interesting forty-five minute talk on the principles and ideals of the organization. He told of the many and various activities which posts throughout the country are at present engaged in and refuted the claims of several labor organizations that the Legion is against organized labor.

He gave several very interesting suggestions for the series of discussions which the Legion has started on the off Monday nights of the month.

Meeting Monday. On next Monday evening, March 8th, another interesting debate will be held at the Legion club rooms on a topic of interest to every member. These debates on questions of the day are designed to bring out facts that will help everyone to understand conditions in this country at present.

Differing from the usual procedure, everyone who has anything to say on the subject under discussion, and not just the speakers only, will be given a chance. An open change of views is what is desired and we predict some lively word tiltings in the near future.

## NORTHWESTERN GLEE CLUB COMING WITH VARIED PROGRAM

A great treat is in store for all who will be privileged to hear the concert to be given at Dicke's Theatre by the North-Western Glee Club assisted by several musical artists. This program will be re-run Friday evening March 12, at 7:30 p. m.

The program will consist of Chorus songs, Classical songs with dialogs in Jewish and Dutch dialect. In addition this regular program will be supplemented by the instrumental numbers of three professionals. These are H. Victor Vogel, basso soloist, M. Niergarth, cornetist, and C. Dissinger, violinist. Messrs Vogel and Niergarth have been employed by one of the largest Chautauqua Systems of the country and Mr. Dissinger was formerly teacher of violin in Kansas State Normal School.

North-Western Glee Club assisted by these artists will fill a three months' Lyceum engagement next summer beginning with June 1. They are scheduled for programs in Milwaukee, St. Paul, Buffalo, Binghamton, Amsterdam, Albany, New York City, Washington, and other leading Eastern cities and for a six weeks' tour in Canada. We are indeed fortunate in securing them for a pre-season concert. Arrangements for the concert have been made under the auspices of the Young Peoples Alliance of the First Evangelical church.