

## TWENTY-TWO YEARS AGO IN THE REPORTER

From the issue of August 18, 1898.

A bad rain and thunder storm was experienced by this vicinity on Monday morning and evening. H. Hanson's house corner of Saratoga and Chicago avenues was struck by lightning the bolt tearing a large hole in the roof. A hay shed belonging to E. H. Prince was blown to the four winds and windows in the home of Mrs. Breen, Chicago and Foote st., and E. Hermann's on North Foote were blown in, the houses being flooded. A terrific hail storm occurred in the morning driven by a high wind. Leaves were cut from trees, corn was blown down and pounded into the ground, fruit and other trees were blown down and the crops seriously injured. It was the worst storm experienced here in many years and the trees snapped off at the trunk all over town testify to its severity.

Jacob's Klein's new home is almost completed. It will be a handsome residence and a credit to the country side.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rogers are nicely settled in their new home on Highland avenue. They have one of the nicest and most conveniently arranged homes in the village.

Herman W. Knickerbocker, a member of one of the great historical families of this country, died at his home in Naperville Monday morning at the age of 85. He had made his home in that city for the last sixty-four years and was one of the best known men in the county.

D. K. Craig has a hen which is an industrial marvel. Two fresh eggs every day is her record. Occasionally she only lays one, but on that day it is double the size of a regular egg.

### TOWNSHIP HIGHWAY COMMISSIONERS MET TUESDAY AT WHEATON

Plans Completed for Erection of Sign Posts at Every Cross Road in DuPage County

The Highway Commissioners of Du Page County met Tuesday afternoon at the office of the County Superintendent of Highways and completed plans for the erecting of sign posts on all cross roads in the County. This is a much needed improvement, and we hope to see the signs up in the near future.

The problem of holding the roads in some kind of shape was discussed, and it was the unanimous opinion that some binder will have to be used on our gravel and macadam roads. The problem of the heavy truck destroying our roads and bridges was also discussed, and it was thought that better laws would have to be passed in order to regulate the truck traffic. The commissioners would also like some help from the County if it is possible to get it, as they feel that the funds provided in each township are not sufficient to take care of the roads with our present traffic. They voted to attend the next board meeting of the supervisors and see if some plan can be made whereby they can get county aid.

Mr. Roe, Commissioner of Downers Grove township, explained what his township is going to do to secure more money for the roads in the township. They intend to vote on a special hard road tax, which is a direct tax spread over a period of five years. This will double the money that they now receive. No one objects to paying a small tax, provided it is applied in the right direction and is not wasted.

Every commissioner in the County was present at this meeting and there seems to be a great deal of interest taken by them to improve the highways as far as the money will permit.

**When Sleep Will Not Come.**  
Don't hate the world and kick all night just because you don't happen to go to sleep. It damages your own nervous system, and any tender regard in which your roommate may have held you. Anger eats up energy and is responsible for next morning's very unpleasant day-after feeling. The lack of sleep mattered not at all. If instead of thrashing about viciously you had curled up cozily and day-dreamed, your night might have been salvaged, all might have been well.—Exchange.

**Where Women Equal Men.**  
In Italy women teachers, school inspectors and employees in the administration of antiquities and fine arts receive the same pay as their male colleagues.

### BENSENVILLE HOME CELEBRATES 25th ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the Evangelical Orphan's and Old People's Home at Bensenville, Ill., will be celebrated Sunday, August 22nd, 1920 on the grounds of the institution at Bensenville, Illinois.

Two services will be held, at 10:00 a. m. and at 2:30 p. m. The speakers for the day are the Rev. Hy. Wolf from Desplains, Ill., the founder of the Home; the Rev. Bruno Howe, from Danville, Ill., the president of the Northern Illinois District of the Evangelical Synod, and the Rev. Herbert Brodt from Chicago, pastor of the Friedens Evangelical Church.

The orphans will sing in both services. Folks who bring their lunch basket can buy coffee.

The public is cordially invited.

### OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE VILLAGE BOARD

Downers Grove, Ill., Aug. 9, 1920. Regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Downers Grove, Ill. Present at roll call Mayor W. C. Barber and Commissioners Bryce and Heardt. Commissioners Bender and Haller absent. Commissioner Haller came in later.

Minutes of the meeting of August 2nd, 1920 were read and Commissioner Bryce moved to approve same. On roll call Commissioners Bryce, Haller, Heardt and Mayor Barber Voted Aye. Nays none. Motion carried.

Collector's and Treasurer's reports for the month of July were read as follows:

#### COLLECTOR'S REPORT

To the Council of the Village of Downers Grove, Ill., Gentlemen:  
The following is my report for the month of July 1920.

Chas. M. Hitch, Village Collector.

Commercial Lighting	\$2238.89
Light Meter Repairs	22.50
Light Meters	160.00
Water Rates	102.94
Water Meter Repairs	20.25
Water Meters	45.50
Water Tapping Fees	75.00
Sewer Permits	2.00
Licenses	29.00
Dog Tax	34.00
Automobile Fines	10.00
Police Fines	5.00
Lamp Sales	11.85
Sale of Labor	24.50
Rent of Village Hall	10.00
Sale of Supplies	78.00
Sale of Labor & Material	23.00
2% Fire Insurance Tax	290.72
Garbage Disposal	9.45
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3192.60</b>

#### DISBURSEMENTS

Deposited to the credit of the Village Treasurer \$3192.60  
Commissioner Heardt moved to have the reports placed on the records. On roll call Commissioners Heardt, Bryce, Haller and Mayor Barber voted Aye. Nays none. Motion carried.  
Commissioner Heardt presented the following resolution and moved for its passage:

**RESOLUTION**  
RESOLVED, That the Village Treasurer pay to F. N. Davis the sum of \$104.56 out of Fund "A," same being the amount of penalties received by the Village in connection with the payment of forfeitures in Special Assessments Numbers 8, 10, 17, 18, 31, and 36, as per agreement with Mr. F. N. Davis.

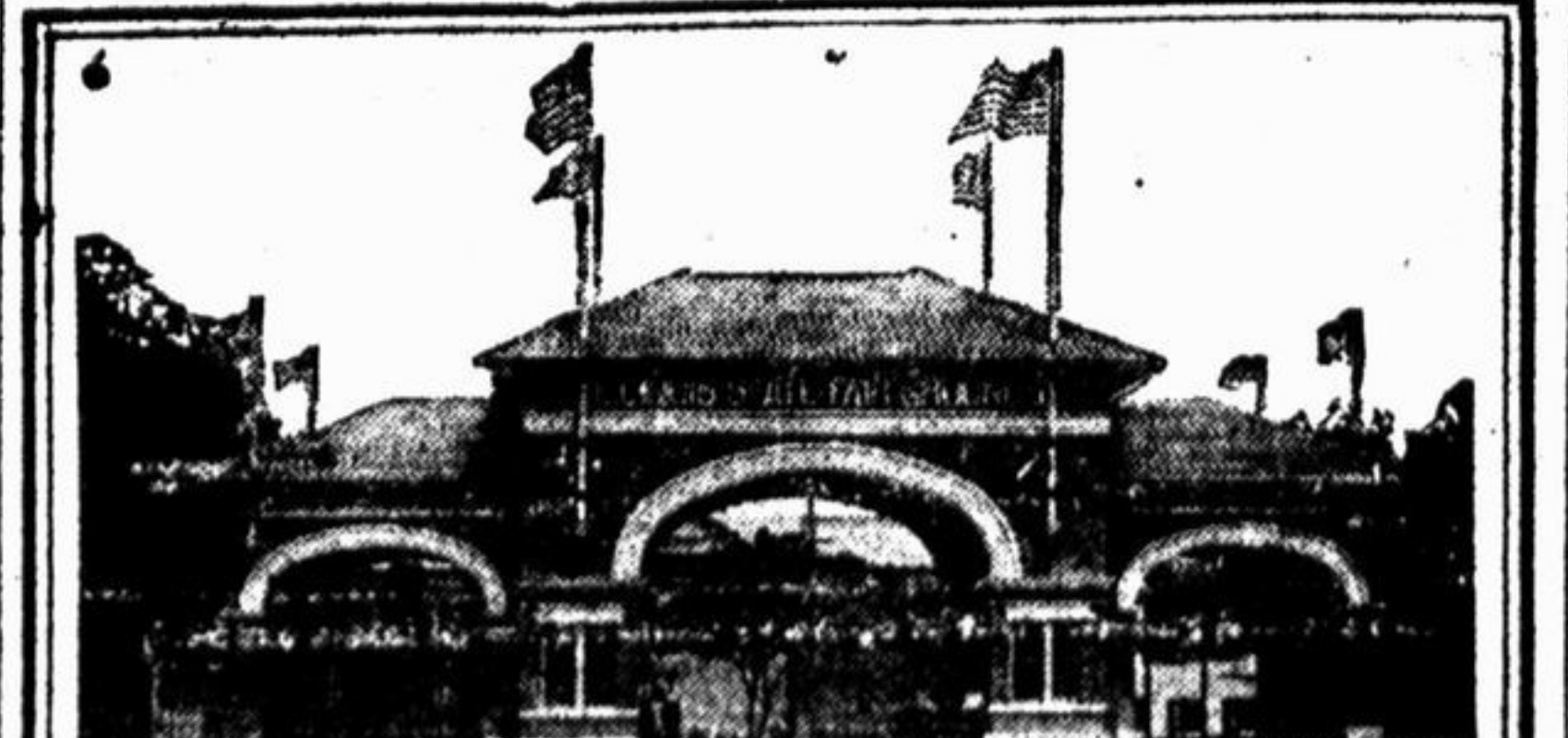
On roll call Commissioners Heardt, Bryce, Haller and Mayor Barber voted Aye. Nays none. Motion carried.  
Commissioner Haller moved to adjourn to the next regular meeting date August 16, 1920. On roll call Commissioners Haller, Bryce, Heardt and Mayor Barber voted Aye. Nays none. Motion carried.  
Chas. M. Hitch, Village Clerk.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

To the Council of the Village of Downers Grove, Illinois, Gentlemen:  
The following is my report for the month of July 1920.

Funds	On hand last report	Receipts for month	Expend. for month	Bal. on hand
	\$ 1177.22	\$ 103.62	\$ 183.55	\$ 1097.29
Dept. of Public Affairs	2934.76	456.59	459.74	2931.61
Dept. of Accounts & Finance	1375.13	386.52	44.65	1717.00
Dept. of Health & Safety	4068.30	478.71	287.10	4259.91
Dept. of Streets & Public Imp.	4563.02	2971.99	2492.49	5042.52
Dept. of Public Property	1349.05	126.82	194.36	1281.51
Public Library	3890.84	164.23		4055.07
Interest Fund	6181.02	233.14		6414.16
Sinking Fund	25539.34	4921.62	3661.89	26799.07
Total	6878.08	1312.74		8190.82
Special Assessments	\$32417.42	\$ 6234.36	\$ 3661.89	\$34989.89
Grand Total				

I do hereby swear to the best of my knowledge, this report to be true and correct.  
C. Ford Davis, Village Treasurer.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of August, A. D. 1920  
Chas. M. Hitch, Notary Public.



## SPEND YOUR VACATION at the Illinois State Fair

AUGUST 20th to 28th

Motor through and live in the Tented City—over 800 families there last year.  
**Firemen's Tournament** on Aug. 19, 20 and 21. Aug. 19 free day. Fair officially opens the 20th.  
**Something new—Ruth Law and Al Wilson** changing planes in mid-air, also changing from auto to plane while racing.  
**Professional Auto Races** Aug. 21 and 28.  
**Night Flying** with fireworks featuring the opening hour of circus and **Society Horse Show** each evening.  
**Monday, Children's Day; Tuesday, Industrial Day; Wednesday, Soldier's Day; Thursday, Governor's Day; Friday, Springfield Day; Saturday, Auto and Aviation Day.**  
**Five days horse racing—best in United States.**  
**Horse Show** every night, beginning Aug. 23. Million dollar Live Stock parade each evening.  
**Biggest Machinery and Automobile display** ever staged in middle west.  
**See the Fish Exhibit—Government Exhibit—Poultry and Pet Stock—Better Babies—Bird Exhibit—and hear the Big Concert Bands.**  
**Don't miss Fairy Avenue—new thrills and novelty shows.**  
**YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO MISS IT.**  
Special rates on all railroads. See the agent.  
Motor through and arrange to live in the Tented City and enjoy yourself.  
**This is Your Fair—We Built It for You**  
**Come and See It—Let's Go—Say It, Mean It and Do It.**

# Curtiss Theatre

UNDER THE DIRECTION OF ELMER UHLHORN

Saturday, August 21st

## CHARLES RAY in Paris Green



CHARLES RAY in the THOMAS H INCE production "PARIS GREEN" A PARAMOUNT ARTCRAFT PICTURE

His uniform laid away and the war and France but a memory.  
Till a dainty bit of Paris came to Quigley Corners, looking for Corporal Luther Green!  
Then things began to happen!  
A Rural Story of Real Folks

ALSO  
**TWO REEL SUNSHINE COMEDY—"MONGRELS"**  
INTERNATIONAL NEWS  
Evening 7:30 & 9:00. Admission 15 & 25 cts inc. War Tax.

Tuesday, August 24th

## DUSTIN FARNUM

in  
**"Durand of the Bad Lands"**

All one needs to know about this picture is that Dustin Farnum is the star. Never has this popular star disappointed an audience.

ALSO  
**TWO REEL COMEDY—"MAIDS AND MUSLINS"**  
Evening 7:30 & 9:00. Admission 15 & 25 cts inc. War Tax.

Wednesday, August 25th

## RAY AND FAIR

in  
**"Tin-Pan-Alley"**

ALSO  
**MUTT AN JEFF in "THE BOWLING ALLEY"**  
**TWO REEL COMEDY—"BIRTHDAY TANGLE"**  
Evening—7:30-9:00. Admission 15 & 25 cents including War Tax.

Thursday, August 26th

## Madelaine Travers

in  
**What Would You Do?**

ALSO  
**BURTON HOLMES TRAVELOGUE**  
INTERNATIONAL NEWS  
Evening—7:30-9:00. Admission 15 & 25 cents including War Tax.

**COMING!**  
Ruth Roland, whose beauty and charm are a joy to all the movie goers, is soon to be seen in a new Pathe serial, the title of which is "Ruth of the Rockies." The picture, in fifteen episodes, is booked for the Curtiss Theatre, where, commencing Tuesday, August 31st, it will be the attraction on Tuesday of each week.  
**WATCH FOR IT! SEE IT! ITS A THRILLER!**  
**EVERY EPISODE A HUMMER!**

## Look This Ove

A triple register furnace that gives you plenty of heat without drawing all the cold air in the house to the center of the room. This is the ideal warm air heater and gives the best results of them all.

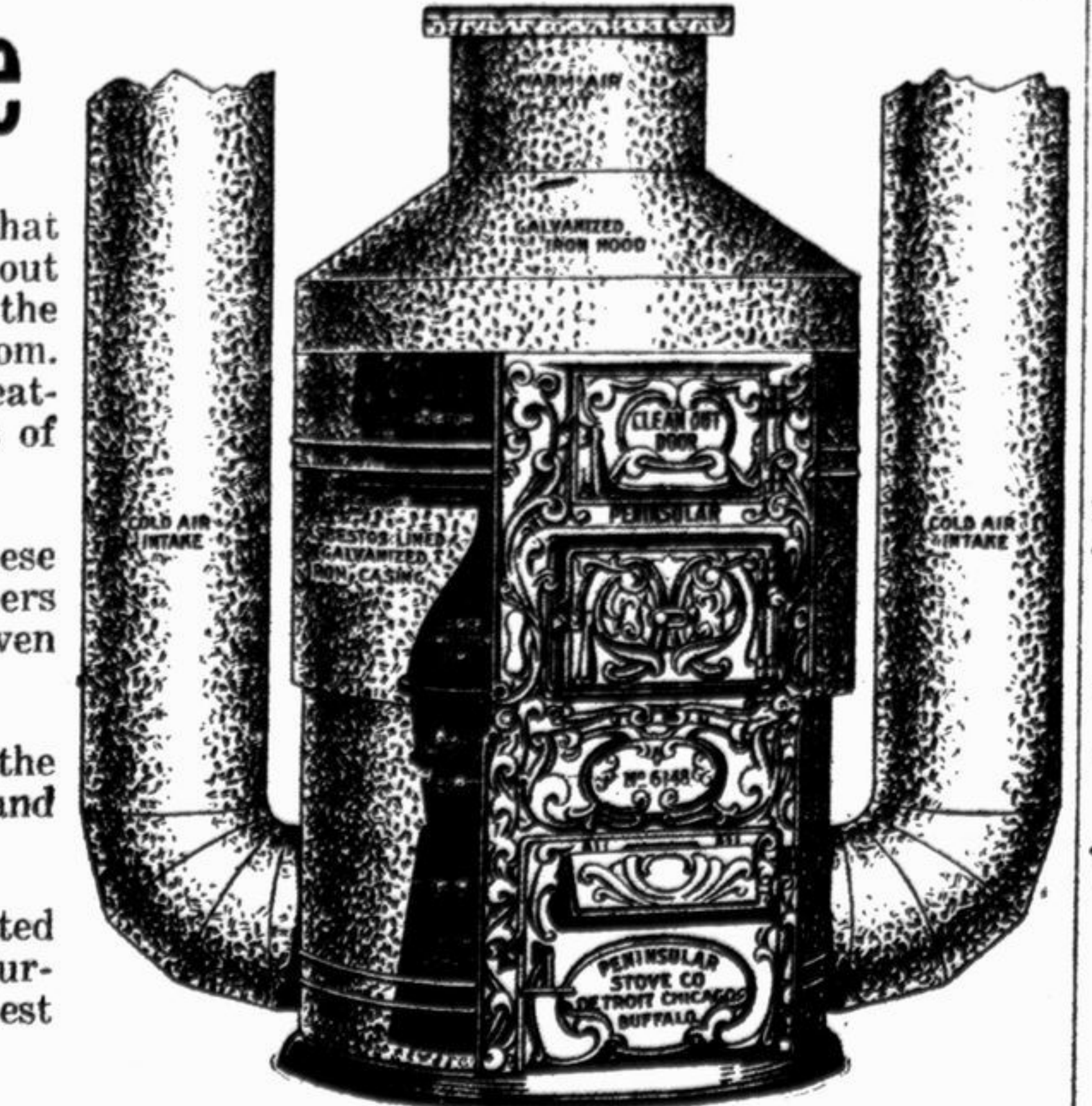
We have installed a lot of these plants in and around Downers Grove and they have proven satisfactory in all cases.

Come in and let us explain the advantages of this heater and give you prices.

All our registers cut and fitted by real carpenters and the furnace work done by the highest class of men in this line.

We draw the cold air out of your home by two separate cold air registers which are so placed that we get it all which means a good even heat in all parts of the house.

These cold air returns are placed in a position that is the most desirable for your particular home and are not set in the same place on all jobs as is done in most cases.



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