

MARCUS—"THE GREAT" FOILED LOCAL SCOUTS

"Hog Tied," He Releases Self From Ropes in Less Time Than Taken to Tie Him.

Tuesday evening the local Boy Scouts gave an entertainment to their parents and friends in the high school gym under the direction of the Scout Council.

The meeting, which was in charge of H. S. Paine and C. H. Barnes, Scout Executive for this district, opened with the presentation of the colors after which an inspection of the local troops was conducted by Lieut. E. H. Griest, Scoutmaster of Troop No. 1 of Hinsdale and Major F. N. Wildish, Acting Scoutmaster of Troop No. 3 of the village.

Troops 2 and 3 demonstrated the old Indian game of hand wrestling and then had a few "upsetting" exercises.

The main attraction of the evening was the appearance of "Marcus the Great." He was tied to a chair with seventy-five feet of rope in eight and one half minutes by two Scouts from one and a half minutes from their Troop No. 2 and released himself in binding folds. W. J. O'Neill and C. H. Barnes then tried their skill putting their knowledge of knots to the test and they were found wanting. Marcus the Great finished the performance by extricating himself from a "straight jacket" the same as is used upon the violently insane. This is one of his favorite stunts.

Lieut. E. H. Griest of Hinsdale, gave a very interesting talk on some of his experiences, as a flight commander with the United States forces overseas. The talk was illustrated by lantern slides of French battlefields taken from his plane. The lieutenant's talk was thoroughly enjoyed, not only by the Scouts but by the older people as he told several things which they had been wanting to know about the flight game.

Moving-Picture Films.

Of the average moving picture film, 50 to 75 prints are made, but in the case of one of the most popular ones as many as 250 to 275 prints have sometimes been required.

COUNTY OFFICERS INSTALLED MONDAY AT COUNTY SEAT

Chas. W. Hadley Retires After 14 Years Service as County State's Attorney.

DuPage County's new officers were installed with appropriate ceremonies in the Court room at Wheaton last Monday morning when County Clerk A. A. Kuhn administered the oath of office to the four men elected on November 2d.

Each man as he took the oath was presented with a bouquet by admiring friends and each made remarks appropriate to the occasion.

Chauncey W. Reed of Naperville, who succeeds Chas. W. Hadley as State's Attorney, was the first called to the rostrum. After he had been sworn in the Rev. Mr. Atchinson, of Naperville, with a few remarks presented him with flowers from the "boys" of his home town who worked so hard for his election.

Joseph Reuss of Naperville, performed the honors for Lewis Ellsworth elected Circuit Clerk to succeed himself; Michael Kross presented flowers to A. L. Webster; L. P. Conover of Hinsdale, acting in a similar capacity when Dr. W. V. Hopf was sworn in as Coroner.

County Judge S. L. Rathje in ringing phrases told of the efficient work of Chas. W. Hadley in the past fourteen years State's Attorney of this county and presented Mr. Hadley with a bouquet. Quite overcome with the praise which had been heaped upon him, Mr. Hadley answered as well as his emotions would allow him.

He is retiring from the office after serving in the capacity of States Attorney for fourteen years having first been elected in 1906. Being opposed at various times, he has never had a really close race for the position, always receiving the nomination and being elected by large majorities.

During his term of office he has successfully prosecuted the following important cases:

Horse Thieves

William Davy was charged with stealing a horse and buggy belonging to Frank Hageman of the city of Wheaton, and was convicted at the end of a very bitterly contested case. The defense in this case was an alibi and among the witnesses that appeared to substantiate the defense was a sister of the defendant, Ka-

therine Waelchli, and her husband. They were both indicted for perjury and convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary.

The case that probably attracted the most attention was that of Henry Spencer who shot Mildred Rexroat, the dancing teacher. The jury returned a verdict imposing the death penalty, and Spencer was hanged after the Supreme Court had reviewed his case.

Joseph Pachich, a section hand, was indicted for the murder of one of his fellow workmen, the object being

and sentenced to the penitentiary for a term from ten years to life. The fifth bandit was never captured and is still at large.

Among the more recent cases is the one of Nolan Robinson who killed Mr. and Mrs. Brown of Wheaton last June. The jury returned a verdict in that case finding him guilty and imposing the death penalty. A new trial, however, was granted and he pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to the penitentiary. This case is unusual in the fact that it establishes the rule that a man may have been

METHODIST CHOIR SANG "HIAWATHA'S WEDDING FEAST"

Music Lovers Given Treat Thursday Evening—Mr. Glenn Drake Appreciated.

On Thursday evening, December 2, the choir of the Methodist Church assisted by Mr. Glenn Drake, tenor, of Chicago, gave a very excellent rendition of Coleridge-Taylor's "Hiawatha's Wedding Feast." Downers Grove is very fortunate in having a musical organization in their midst that is imbued with the spirit and perseverance displayed by the members of the M. E. chorus.

They have on numerous occasions before delighted the public with the fruits of their work, but not before have they given such an exhibition of precision and interpretation as was shown in their latest offering. The blending and harmony in the difficult passages was accomplished with an ease and exactness that was most gratifying to hear, the attacks and releases were executed in a manner showing the excellent unity and thorough training of the organization. The director, Mrs. Rassweiler, is to be congratulated on the success of her efforts.

Mr. Drake gave a group of songs preceding the work of the chorus which was very much enjoyed and prepared his audience for his splendid singing of the beautiful solo, "Onaway Awake Beloved," from the "Wedding Feast." His tones were clear and his enunciation was especially good. His voice seemed particularly adapted for this type of song and he fully justified himself in it.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express our thanks for the many expressions of sympathy received from friends and neighbors during the sickness and after the death of our father.

G. H. Bunge and Family.

Two men were hunting ducks in a boat on Gun Lake near Allegan, Mich. Both aimed at the same bird, and when the triggers were pulled the charge of shot from one man's gun struck the top of the other man's head and stripped off a piece of his scalp. The duck and the first man escaped.

THAT TWELFTH MONTH THRILL (Window Shopping With the Kiddies)



the theft of about \$1500.00 that his victim had on his person. He fled, but after an extended search thru the west was located in Sioux City and brought back and placed on trial. He pleaded not guilty, but after he was confronted with the witnesses for the prosecution he withdrew his plea of not guilty and pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to the penitentiary for life.

Another case of considerable importance was the Downers Grove bank robbery case. In that case the bank was robbed by five bandits. Four of them were arrested and placed on trial, convicted of robbery

committed to an asylum and yet be responsible for his criminal acts.

Thomas Smith was indicted for the murder of Harry Magers. He was indicted, tried and convicted and in the penitentiary inside of three weeks from the time of the shooting.

Reed Popular.

Chauncey Reed, who succeeds Mr. Hadley, is a popular young man. His election came after a hard primary fight in September in which he won the nomination over John W. Leedle of West Chicago, and John Prendergast of Wheaton. His vote at the election outran even the head of the ticket.

LARGE ASSEMBLAGE VIEWS REBEKAH DEGREE

Over Two Hundred Witness the Installation of Twenty-Five as Aurora Confers Degree.

Last Tuesday evening, December 7th, was one long to be remembered by the local Rebekah Lodge in witnessing the conferring of the Rebekah degree upon twenty-five candidates into Bluebird Lodge.

The lodge hall was crowded to capacity leaving barely room for the floor drill. Members of the order from Chicago, Berwyn, LaGrange and Aurora were present and with those of the local lodge, were seated three deep around the hall, nearly 200 being present as the lodge opened and viewed the lessons taught by Odd Fellowship as exemplified by the degree staff from Minnehaha Lodge of Aurora.

The meeting was called for 7:30 and the Aurora guests were dined at the lodge hall at 6:00 o'clock. Immediately thereafter the lodge was called to order and the preliminaries disposed of and work started. Aided by their beautiful costumes, the scenic effects and spotlight play, the degree was exemplified in a most superb manner. That all present were impressed there is no doubt. Minnehaha has the reputation of having one of the best drilled teams in the State, and District Deputy Caygill, in a speech after the work, stated that he had seen a picked team from Chicago confer the degree in Springfield at the Grand Lodge session and that even they did not surpass Minnehaha's.

After the work was finished refreshments, consisting of ice cream and cake, were served.

Bluebird Rebekah Lodge is rapidly coming to the fore in fraternal circles in the village, only having been instituted last June. With a sterling coterie of willing workers, an enthusiasm unrivaled and the strong principles of Odd Fellowship, the seeds of which they are sowing broadcast, they have arrived and with the new members now in and coming, they are bound to remain.

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