

The Ministers' Corner

THE FIRE TRUCK AND LIFE AND FIRE INSURANCE, HERE AND HEREAFTER

By Arthur Spencer Phelps

It used to be said among a certain type of business men "two removals equal one fire, two fires equal one failure and one failure equals one fortune." However, arson has become a serious business and the penalty seems to be severe enough so that our big cities have very few "prepared" fires.

Both life and fire insurance are in the nature of preparation for the unexpected. The advancement of medical science has decreased the death risk, and improved methods, with improved apparatus for combating fire have cut down the fire risk.

In this, as in every movement for good, we should have the spirit of the poem:

Be A Booster

If you think your town the best, Tell 'em so! If you'd have it lead the rest, Help it grow!

We have found that fire prevention pays in material things. Is this not true on the matter of eternity? Some one has called the church an insurance company, insuring against fire after death.

The servant of a noted man of years gone by was asked if he thought his master was going to heaven. He answered "I do not think he expects to do so. I went with him to Paris, and before he went he made the necessary preparation. I went with him to London and again he prepared for the journey. If he expected to go to heaven, I am sure he would have been making preparation for that event long before this."

This is not a plea for church attendance. Neither is it a plea for the acceptance of the doctrines of some church. It is a challenge to give the matter of the soul's eternal welfare (the most important subject in the world) proper consideration, and for a deeper community consciousness of our obligation to God who gave His Son, Jesus Christ, that we might have "eternal life insurance."

Pagan Creed Concerning Fire. That fire and water are the habitations of spirits is perhaps a universal article of the pagan creed. The sacred ever-burning hearth fire was, in primitive days reckoned the special abode of the household gods; it was, therefore, considered dangerous to give a stranger a burning brand.

POPULAR YOUNG COUPLE MARRIED SATURDAY NIGHT

Miss Evalyn Brown Becomes Bride of Harold N. Felton at Home of Her Parents

A very pretty home wedding was celebrated last Saturday evening, April 23d, when Evalyn Gertrude Brown, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Brown, of Belden Place, became the bride of Mr. Harold Norton Felton, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Felton, of Mendota, Ill.

As the strains of the wedding march from Lohengrin, played by Miss Leah Felton, sister of the groom, were heard, the wedding party came down the stairway. The bride, looking very lovely in her gown of flesh colored georgette and carrying a shower bouquet of sweet peas and lilies of the valley, was met at the foot of the stairs by her father who led her to a bower of palms, ferns and roses where he gave her to the groom.

She was attended by Miss Kathryn Heckman as bride's maid, who wore yellow georgette and carried bridal roses.

The groom was attended by his brother, Mr. Eugene Felton, as best man.

The house was prettily decorated in yellow and green and more than seventy guests witnessed the single ring ceremony performed by the Rev. A. S. Phelps, pastor of the Congregational church.

Miss Gwen Griffith sang "Because" before the service was read her sweet voice adding to the beauty of the occasion.

The ribbon stretchers, who formed the aisle thru which the bridal party marched, were Master Donald Dunn and little Miss Hazel Easley, a niece of the groom.

After the ceremony a delicious wedding luncheon was served and the happy couple showered with congratulations. They were the recipients of many beautiful and costly gifts, among them being many pieces of silver.

Mr. and Mrs. Felton left after the ceremony on a short honeymoon and will be at home to their many friends after June 1st at 241 East Maple avenue.

The out of town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Felton, of Mendota, the groom's parents; Miss Fannie Burlingame, of Earlville; Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Atwood and Mrs. J. E. Bennyhoff, of Vandalia, Ill., grandfather, grandmother and aunt of the bride; Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Rasmussen, of Beatrice, Neb.; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Aft, Mr. and Mrs. Walter O'Brien, Mrs. Eugene May and daughter, Mildred, Mrs. Jewel Engel, and the Misses Winifred Hemphill and Emma Clavey, of Chicago, and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. MacLean, of La Grange.

Shark's Usefulness Ended. A shark in Saigon harbor, Indochina, failing to take a baited hook, was fed a large piece of pork containing chlorinated fresh lime. The action of the water on the lime caused an explosion which threw pieces of shark meat 300 yards away in the mangrove thickets.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board of Education, District No. 58.

Downers Grove, Ill., April 12, 1921. The Board met in regular session at the Maple Avenue School Building with the following members present:

President, A. C. Miskelly, Mrs. M. H. Prince, W. H. Herrick, C. A. Carlson, W. R. Curtis, F. E. Dowe. Absent, N. R. Feasley.

The minutes of the regular session of March 8th, were read and approved.

The following bills were received, having been approved by the Finance Committee:

Table with 2 columns: Item description and Amount. Includes Fred C. Witt, Janitor Service, Gust Johnson, Janitor Service, Jos. Pfaff, Janitor Service, Fred C. Witt, Extra Janitor Service, Fred E. Dowe, Postage and Secretary service, D. G. Pub. Co., Printing, Little, Brown & Co., Supplies for High School, Metropolitan Supply, Supplies for High School, Lyon & Healy, Supplies for High School, A. S. Barnes & Co., Supplies for Grades.

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Total \$ 676.67 Teachers Salaries from Feb. 28 to March 25 4328.86

Grand Total \$5005.53

On regular motion the bills were ordered paid.

Voting Aye: Mrs. M. H. Prince, W. D. Herrick, C. A. Carlson, W. R. Curtis, F. E. Dowe.

Voting Nay: None.

Balance on hand, Dec. 24, 1920 \$ 767.53

Received from F. E. Dowe 81.99

Total \$ 849.52

Total vouchers and interest due bank April 2, 1921 \$62071.61

Taxes received 21463.17

Balance due bank April 2 \$40608.44

Voucher No. 2526 for \$40,608.44

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drawn in favor of the Farmers & Merchants Bank, to cancel outstanding vouchers. The secretary reported that the following petitions had been filed: For President of the Board: Mr. A. C. Miskelly. For Members of the Board for the full term: Mrs. Hattie Remmers and Mr. Fred E. Dowe. Mr. C. A. Carlson and Mr. W. D. Herrick were appointed as Judges and Mr. Thos. Rogers as Clerk of the Annual Election on Saturday, April 16th, 1921. The Committee on Teachers re-

port that Miss Winifred E. Sheel had resigned as Music Supervisor, owing to ill health. Moved and seconded that the resignation of Miss Sheel be accepted. Motion carried. No further business appearing, on motion the Board adjourned. Fred E. Dowe, Secretary.

Success at Last. "Ah!" said the golfer, who was skating, as the ice gave way beneath him, "at last I have developed a perfect follow through."—Boston Transcript.

SPECIALS 85c STAMPED FUDGE APRONS 75c 65c STAMPED TOWELS 50c 75c STAMPED DRESSER SCARFS 65c O. N. T. MERCERIZED, 2 for 25c 10-12-15c VAL. LACES, per yard 8c 50c CHILDREN'S UNDERWAISTS 35c \$2.00 VALUE 36 INCH COLORED LINEN \$1.50 Marion Dexter's Art Craft Shop Next to the Bakery

Million and a Half NEW HOMES Badly Needed The United States is short of homes in which to house our people. The shortage is acute all over the country. Statesmen and social workers are deeply concerned and plans for a renewal of building activities are just now receiving universal attention. Home building was practically suspended during the war. Since the signing of the Armistice high prices have prevented a resumption of construction. Housing conditions daily grow more alarming. The only remedy is home building. We are now short about a million and a half homes. To get back to normal, to have enough houses to take care of all our people, will require universal activity for several years to come. Men who are familiar with conditions say we must build 500,000 homes annually for five years to make up the shortage and keep pace with the increase in population. This is a wonderful task, but we must do it. High prices have been the deterrent to building. But the decline has started. Lumber leads in the deflation. Prices of lumber are now thirty-five per cent below the peak in April and May, 1920, and cement manufacturers have announced a cut in their prices. Lumber and mill work constitute from thirty-one to thirty-three per cent of the cost of a modern home, so that the cut in lumber is an attractive factor. A lumber bill of \$1,000 last May can now be bought for about \$660. Surely lumber is doing its part. The place to get full and reliable information about lumber and mill work is at our office. We will give you prices, help to select the different items and render valuable assistance in the solution of your lumber problem. If you are sick go to a doctor. If you want financial advice, see your banker. A dentist will take care of your teeth, but you must go to a lumberman to get correct information about building material. Lord Lumber Company Resident Member of the Lumberman's Publicity Bureau Phone Day 20 Phone after 6 P. M. 142 J

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