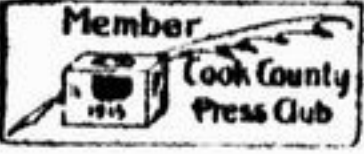


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MICKIE SAYS

WOMEN TH' AVERAGE FELLOW PICKS UP A MAGAZINE, HE READS TH' STORIES, N IN A CIVY PAPER HE LOOKS OVER TH' HEADLINES—BUT WHEN HE PICKS UP A COUNTRY PAPER HE GLUCHEES DOWN INTO A COMFORTABLE POSITION AN' READS EV'RYTHING IN SIGHT, INCLUDING TH' ADS, N THEN GOES BACK OVER IT TO MAKE SURE HE HASN'T MISSED ANYTHING



CHARLES S. GARDNER

GET THE FACTS

In our walks around the village in the last few weeks we have heard many expressions on the advisability of annexing new territory to the village. Some of the arguments used by those opposed to the proposition show that a misconception of what will happen in the event of the enlarging of the village has percolated through the town. It is natural that those who oppose any proposition should spread stories which would tend to defeat that proposition, but the absurdity of some of the tales is laughable.

There is only one way in which everyone can be set right on this matter. That is by finding out the FACTS from some one versed in all the pros and cons of the subject. Everyone will realize that the annexing of additional territory has its merits; there are not a few who will not admit that it may have demerits;

but—and here is the nub of the matter—do the merits greatly outweigh the demerits? or vice versa.

In this human world of ours it is hard to imagine an ideal situation of any kind; there is usually a drawback, no matter how small. But we do not let these small drawbacks interfere with accepting the good things of life.

So with this annexing problem. We do not want some small, insignificant thing blind us to the great benefits, both to us and to the folks who desire to be admitted to the village, which will come through pushing the village limits east, north and west.

Next Monday evening, May 16th, at eight o'clock the People's Forum will meet at Library Hall to discuss this important question of annexation. If you are a doubter, if you have not made up your mind which is for the best interests of all, if you have a few questions which you want answered before you can decide—be there. If you are in favor of the proposition—be there. It is a question which should be debated, one on which FACTS should be ascertained before a decision is made.

If at all interested in the annexation proposition be at Library Hall on Monday evening.

VOTE YES TOMORROW

One of the most important questions which have come before the people of this community in years will be decided at a special election tomorrow, Saturday, May 14th. It is the proposition for the forming of the "Downers Grove Sanitary District" which will be voted on by the people of the district from eight in the morning until eight in the evening.

Having to do with public health, with sanitation and with the disposal of sewage and surface water, it is of vital importance not only to those who live within the corporate limits of the village, but to all who live in the proposed drainage district.

Roughly the territory includes that between the Westmont Road and the Belmont Road, from the Plank Road to a point about a quarter mile south of the present village limits. The natural drainage of the territory is all toward the center of the district and care has been taken to exclude those portions, for instance south of town, where the natural lay of the land would make drainage a burden.

The district, if sanctioned by the voters, will be organized immediately. It will take over the present Downers Grove sewer systems adding thereto as the need may be and taking care of the disposal of all sewage and surface water from the territory.

The district is a necessity. Several months ago the State Department of Public Health issued an order that our sewage disposal works be entirely rebuilt because in their present condition they were a menace to the health of the community. This step would mean a tax burden upon the

people of the village if the property within the limits was forced to stand the entire expense of a new disposal plant and the purchase of property whereupon to build it. It was conceded that it would be only a question of time until people within the proposed boundaries would be asking for permission to connect up with the Downers Grove sewer system and in fact many such requests had already been refused. It was also recognized that it was only fair that property within easy reach of the village should have the chance of connecting up with our sewers if they were willing to stand their share of the expense of a new outlet sewer and disposal plant. The petition for the formation of the district followed and it will be put squarely up to the voters at the election tomorrow.

There is absolutely no question as to the need of the district. There is also no one who can say that it will not equally benefit both those now outside and inside the limits of the corporation. It is a proposition of merit which deserves your support.

Vote "FOR" the Sanitary District tomorrow.

GOLLAN—KLEIN

A very quiet wedding was celebrated at St. Joseph's rectory last Saturday evening, May 7th, when Catherine M. Gollan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Gollan, of North Forest avenue, became the bride of Mr. Bernard J. Klein of Chicago. Dr. Eneas B. Goodwin performed the ceremony.

Following the ceremony a supper was served in the Gollan home to the immediate relatives of the contracting parties.

Mr. and Mrs. Klein will make their home at 3450 Herndon avenue, Chicago.

Mr. Klein has a responsible position with the Southern Cotton Seed Oil Co., Chicago, and Mrs. Klein is private secretary to E. R. Puffer of the Burlington Railroad.

THIRD H. S. ENTERTAINMENT COURSE NUMBER PLEASING

Mrs. N. R. Feasley Delighted Audience With Her Reading, "The Fourth Estate."

An audience which filled the Curtis Theatre to capacity last Friday evening enjoyed to the full the third number of the High School Entertainment Course. It was a program of music by the High School students and a reading by Mrs. N. R. Feasley.

The evening opened when George Bunge, editor-in-chief of the "Cauldron" for the benefit of which the series was given, publicly thanked Mrs. Feasley for her share in the program and the students for their cooperation. Geraldine Lacey entertained at the piano with a solo and Dorothy Fowlesley with a whistling solo and an encore. During the intermission Donald Drew played several numbers on the piano which were well received.

Mrs. N. R. Feasley's reading, "The Fourth Estate," was from the play of the same name by Patterson which had such a long run in Chicago and New York. It is a story of a newspaper editor, who, when the test came and he had to make a choice between his fiancee and his newspaper honor, chose the latter and won both.

Mrs. Feasley has delighted many local audiences with her readings. None more, however, than the one which was at the Curtis last Friday. Her interpretations of the characters were drawn true to life, she was appealing as the daughter of the crooked judge suave and smooth as the Judge, overbearing as the lawyer and a social climber as the wife of the newspaper owner.

Mrs. Feasley carried the whole program, with the exception of the music, on her capable shoulders and kept the audience interested the entire evening.

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