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WHOLE NO. 1936

FATAL ACCIDENT AT WASHINGTON STREET CROSSING

Mrs. Lillian Hodges Hit by Suburban Train Last Saturday and Instantly Killed.

Mrs. Lillian Hodges, 45 years old, and an employe of the Burlington, was hit by a suburban train at the Washington street crossing last Saturday morning and instantly killed.

Mrs. Hodges, with Miss Grace Beidelman was on her way to catch the 7:05 train to her work. As they arrived at the Washington street crossing No. 103, the first suburban train from Chicago in the morning, was coming west on the north track, coming east was No. 4, on the middle track, which is scheduled to leave the station at 7:02. Mrs. Hodges, afraid of missing her train, stepped on the north track and hurried toward the waiting 7:05. It is thought that the noise from No. 4 prevented her from hearing the train.

The engineer of the west-bound train blew his whistle and when he saw that she did not hear, put on the brakes and reversed his engine. There was no time to stop and just before she was struck by the engine, Mrs. Hodges turned, saw the approaching train and put her hands to her face as if to shield them from a blow. She was killed instantly.

These facts were brought out at the coroner's inquest held Saturday afternoon, the Misses Grace Beidelman and Lillian Hogrefe, who witnessed the accident, being the principle witnesses.

Mrs. Hodges was born in Birmingham, England, coming to America in her girlhood. She was married to Mr. Charles Hodges, who died in December, 1915. Funeral services were held from the home of Mrs. J. W. Rogers, Highland avenue, Monday afternoon, the Rev. Gilbert H. Newland, pastor of the M. E. Church officiating. Burial was made at the West Side cemetery.

Mrs. Hodges has no near relatives in the United States, so far as is known. She has not corresponded with her folks in England for years, and it is not known whether they are still alive or not.

FIRE PREVENTION DAY OCT. 9, SAYS GOVERNOR SMALL

In Proclamation Calls Attention to the Enormous Fire Losses During Past Year.

Governor Len Small in an official proclamation has set aside Sunday, October 9th, the fiftieth anniversary of the Chicago fire, as "Fire Prevention Day."

In his proclamation Gov. Small says:

"Last year in this country more than \$500,000,000 in property was destroyed by fire, about twice the usual loss, while 15,000 persons are estimated to have lost their lives from fire or burns. In Illinois the loss exceeded \$20,000,000. Our fire losses are sapping our economic resources.

"Carelessness, and ignorance of common hazards, are responsible for nearly 90 per cent of loss of life and property from fire.

"In keeping with the historic occasion, I urge that the week of October 9th be set aside as Fire Prevention Week."

He calls on ministers of churches, educators of public schools and every one in any official capacity to help cut down the enormous loss.

The awful loss from the Chicago fire can be seen from the following figures taken from the proclamation.

October 9th, 1921, will commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the great Chicago fire. Out of that fire America was given a tragic object lesson in the price of carelessness. From a single act of carelessness in the use of a lantern while milking a cow was started a conflagration that consumed 16,950 buildings over an area of 2,124 acres, wiping out \$298,000,000 in property and leaving 100,000 homeless.



GRAND JURY FINDS MURDER TRUE BILL IN J. KLEIN CASE

Attorneys to Plead for Bail Order Today—Klein Under Care of Physician.

Meeting at Wheaton on Monday, the DuPage County October Grand Jury returned a true bill of murder against Jacob Klein accused of fatally shooting Leo Neumann, of Chicago, a week ago Sunday.

Preliminary hearing will be held before Judge Adam C. Cliffe this morning. Klein's attorneys will make a plea that he be let out on bail until the trial jury shall have heard the evidence and returned its verdict.

Klein is under the care of a physician and a nurse is in attendance at the county jail continuously. A consultation was held last Sunday, five doctors agreeing that he was physically a wreck and confinement would prove too much for him under present conditions. His attorneys tried to have him placed in the Hinsdale sanitarium, under guard, but this was refused until after this morning's hearing.

Assisting State Attorney Chauncey W. Reed in the prosecution of the case will be Attorney T. Harry Slusser, of Chicago, formerly of the Grove. They will do everything in their power to bring the case to early trial and get a conviction.

AMERICAN LEGION MEETS NEXT MONDAY, OCTOBER 10th

Annual Banquet and Election of Officers Set for Wednesday, October 19th.

Alexander Bradley Burns, Post, American Legion, will hold his next meeting in the Legion rooms, Belmont and Forest avenues, next Monday evening, October 10th. As there is important business to come before the members it is expected that a large attendance will be present.

On Wednesday evening, October 19th, the Legion will hold its annual banquet and election of officers. Cards giving the time and the place will be sent to all members.

WILL YOU ACT AS A REPORTER?

Is that a funny request? Not at all. Every family in the village should designate one of their number as "press agent." What is home without a Reporter? One member of the family should make it his, or her, business to see that news items concerning the family were taken every week to the Reporter office for publication in the personal column or as it is more generally known, among the locals. It is impossible for the Reporter staff to get all of these little "local" without the assistance of our readers. What is everybody's business is nobody's business. Delegate one person to handle your little news items each week. We are always glad to get them. Phone 188-J.

MASONS MEET TO-NIGHT TO DISCUSS TEMPLE PROJECT

Blue Lodge Has Day of Work Scheduled for Tomorrow—Seven Thirds on Calendar.

A meeting of vast importance to all Downers Grove members of the Masonic fraternities will be held this evening, Friday, October 7th, in the Masonic Hall, Main and Curtis sts., at eight o'clock. The meeting is called by the committee in charge of the financing of a Masonic Temple for the village to discuss further the plans for the building. Included in the invitation to attend are members of Grove Lodge, resident Masons, their wives, members of Vesta Chapter and resident Eastern Stars. This invitation, including as it does, everyone in the village connected with the Masonic fraternity, should fill the lodge hall to capacity for the meeting.

The growth of Grove Lodge, Grove Chapter and Vesta Chapter during the last five years makes it imperative that greater facilities be at the disposal of these bodies to properly entertain their members and visitors. The present hall is far too small for a large gathering. Then, too, the dining room is not large enough to seat the membership of even the Blue Lodge on special occasions, to say nothing of the many visitors.

In the less than three weeks since the project of building a Temple in the village has been broached, \$20,000 has been pledged by less than a third of the membership of Grove Lodge. With this fact in view it would seem as if the temple is an assured fact.

Present plans do not include any location for the building, any plans for it, only the financing and this runs over a four year period. Officers and past officers of Grove Lodge, A. F. & A. M. and Grove Chapter, R. A. M., have charge of the preliminary work.

Blue Lodge Meets Tomorrow.

Seven thirds, the limit prescribed to be conferred in any one day by the Grand Lodge of the State, is the program for the "Blue Lodge" tomorrow. This is the second "big" day Grove Lodge will have had this year. The first, last spring, was run off just as it was scheduled, and officers of the organization believe that tomorrow will duplicate the record set then.

Work will start at eleven in the morning and continue uninterrupted until six in the afternoon. At this time a recess will be taken for dinner which will be served at 6:30.

The Low Twelve Club of Marshall Field & Co., Chicago, will have charge of the work on the evening candidate.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Burlington suburban members of the Knights of Columbus, will attend eight o'clock mass at St. Joseph's church here in a body on Sunday morning, October 16th. At nine o'clock they will be served breakfast by the women of the congregation in the church hall. This is an annual affair, the men meeting at some church along the "Q" once each year where they attend mass in a body. This year several friends of the members have been invited to participate in the church services and partake of the bountiful breakfast afterward.

JEANETTE RANKIN SPEAKS AT HIGH SCHOOL OCT. 20

Parent-Teacher Association Secures Services of First Woman to Sit in Congress.

Miss Jeanette Rankin, who was the first woman of the United States to be elected to the National Congress, will speak in the high school assembly hall the evening of Thursday, October 20th.

Miss Rankin comes here under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher Association and will speak on the occasion of their first meeting of the season. She will talk on pending legislation regarding education and child welfare and should have a message which will interest her hearers.

The assembly hall should be packed to the doors on that evening. Miss Rankin is a nationally known woman, working for the best interests of her sex and for children. She is a good speaker, has a keen mind and a winning personality, and is worthy of a large and attentive audience.

The meeting will be open to the public and everyone interested is given a cordial invitation by the Parent-Teacher Association to attend.

EX-SERVICE MEN ENTERTAINED BY MASONIC LODGE

"Uncle Billy" Beidelman, Oldest Tyler, Given New Sword by the Brethren.

Ex-service men of the community, members of the lodge and visiting brethren were entertained by Grove Lodge, A. F. & A. M., at the lodge hall last Friday evening at the first annual reception to the veterans of the World War. G. A. R. men, who have for many years enjoyed the hospitality of the lodge, also were present.

Informality was the rule of the evening. B. E. Balczyński acting as chairman. Among the speakers were Emory Klein, the Rev. Gilbert H. Newland, pastor of the M. E. Church, and "Bob" Carpenter for the veterans; Howard P. Jones, John B. Jenkins, Henry Tamm and Burr Downes for the lodge and Geo. B. Heardt and R. W. Bond, for the G. A. R. men.

The surprise of the evening came when W. H. "Uncle Billy" Beidelman, was called to the rostrum and presented with a new Tyler's sword for his work in the Blue Lodge. The presentation speech was made by Mr. Downes and his words praising "Uncle Billy" found a ready echo in the hearts of the men present who know and love him. In accepting the sword and thanking the lodge for the gift, Mr. Beidelman was at a loss for words to express his appreciation.

Since the inception of Grove Lodge "Uncle Billy" has been its Tyler. He has guarded the outer portal against

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WOMAN'S CLUB PREPARING FOR WINTER'S WORK

Annual Club Reception at Junior Elementary School Next Monday Evening.

Downers Grove's Woman's Club will open its winter's work with the annual club reception to be held next Monday evening, October 10th, in the Junior Elementary School on Grove street. The reception will begin at eight o'clock and in receiving line will be the officers and past presidents of the club and the chairmen of committees.

Miss Margaret Conrad, violinist, and Mr. Preston Graves, pianist, will furnish the music for the occasion, which is the official social opening of the club year.

During the summer various officers and committees have been at work, and all signs point to an enthusiastic year. The program committee has prepared a most excellent program. Musicians, most of them the best talent of the village, have consented to entertain at the meetings and one of the most interesting features will be the discussion of current events, with one of the club members as leader, at each meeting.

Wednesday, October 12th, will be "President's Day." The program will open with a formal luncheon at the Methodist Church, at one o'clock. At two-thirty the business meeting will be held at Library Hall, Mrs. Philip Weinheimer, vocalist, and Mr. George Nargney, violinist, giving the musical part of the afternoon.

The guests of the day will be Mrs. E. S. Bailey, President of the Illinois State Federation; Mrs. Mary W. Coultrap, President of the Eleventh District Federation; Mrs. F. C. Lancaster, Honorary President, and Past Presidents of the local club.

The officers and chairmen for the ensuing year are:

Honorary President, Mrs. F. C. Lancaster.
President, Mrs. H. S. Paine.
Vice-President, Mrs. J. D. Gillespie.
Recording Secretary, Mrs. W. W. Heintz.
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. L. Puffer.
Treasurer, Mrs. I. C. Mahoney.
Parliamentarian, Mrs. J. C. White.
Chairman, Art and Literature Committee, Mrs. M. K. Bush.
Chairman, Civic Committee, Mrs. Emma J. Miller.
Chairman, Home and Educational Committee, Mrs. F. B. Ward.
Chairman, Philanthropy Committee, Mrs. N. J. Perron.

S. ANDREW'S GUILD TO FEED FOOTBALL TEAMS SATURDAY

D. G. H. S. and St. Albans Elevens to Eat a Chicken Dinner After the Game.

A very interesting event is being planned for the approaching football game of Saturday between St. Alban's school of St. Albans, Illinois, and the Downers Grove High School. This is largely due to the fact that Preston Snow, a pupil of the local high school, is now playing center for the St. Alban's team. This club is expected to give the high school a very close contest.

Complimentary to the two teams and the officials of the schools, a committee of the Woman's Guild of St. Andrew's Church will serve a chicken dinner at the church after the game.

THOSE LITTLE ADS PAY

Those who have never used the classified column of The Reporter are always surprised at the results they get when they first start. We have had more than one of the local people express surprise at the number of our readers who follow this department every week. A little thought will convince you that the results are natural. Take your own case, sent it true that hardly a week passes when you don't read all these little ads? Multiply yourself by 4,000, the approximate number of readers, and you have the reason for the pulling power of Reporter Classified Ads. Try one next week. The cost is small, 35 cents for one week or 75 cents for three, cash in advance.

CAPTAIN HOBSON SPEAKS HERE ON SUNDAY, OCT. 16

Noted Prohibition Worker, Hero of Spanish-American War, at 1st Evangelical.

The Ministerial Association has planned a prohibition mass meeting which will be held at First Evangelical Church, Sunday evening, October 16th, at 7:30. Captain Richmond P. Hobson, hero of the Merrimac, one of America's foremost chautauqua and Lyceum lecturers, will deliver his greatest masterpiece, "The Crisis." The five churches cooperating in the union services during the summer will join forces for this mass meeting. The public is cordially invited.

Captain Richmond Pearson Hobson was an officer in the navy and had attained the rank of full captain when he resigned in 1903 to go into public life. He served eight years in Congress, and was the earliest proponent in America of the policy of preparedness, being the author of the original bill to establish a Council of National Defense. He still advocates preparedness as a national policy especially on the Pacific Ocean.

He has been working in the cause of temperance and prohibition about twelve years and introduced in Congress, in the first instance the resolution calling for the Prohibition Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. His speech, "The Great Destroyer," millions of copies of which have been distributed, had an important bearing in crystallizing the thought of the country for the prohibition amendment.

He is author of "Alcohol and the Human Race" regarded as a standard work on alcohol (its properties, and the consequences of its use as a beverage. He is devoting all of his time under the auspices of the National Anti-Saloon League to carrying forward the work of dry law enforcement in America and that America may take the lead in organizing the moral forces of the world to bring about world-wide prohibition.

"PURPLE" ELEVEN WINS HARD GAME FROM HINSDALE

Comes Out on Top of 14 to 7 Score—St. Alban's School Plays Here Tomorrow.

Playing great football from the first blast of the whistle last Saturday the "Purple" warriors trampled the proud Hinsdale High School banner in the first winning by a 14 to 7 score.

Hinsdale was outplayed at every point and until their touchdown in the third quarter had not been able to make first down. Several times the locals threatened to score, but lacked the necessary play to put the ball over the line.

The "Purple" first mark came in the first quarter when Phelps went over the Hinsdale line for a touchdown, Baron kicking goal. The second came in the fourth with about three minutes to play when Russ Stephens intercepted a Hinsdale pass and ran fifty yards for a touchdown. Baron again kicked goal.

It is with a badly crippled team that Coach Rogers must face the St. Alban's school, of Sycamore, eleven tomorrow at Memorial Park here. Rogers and Grumhaus are out with injuries. Several of the best men haven't been pouring over their books enough and consequently are ineligible. This is quite a set back as St. Alban's is touted as a winning aggregation.

Next Saturday, October 15th, the team travels to Glen Ellyn for a tussle with the eleven of that school and on the 29th Wheaton comes here. The 22d is an open date.

Being the first home high school game, tomorrow's contest should draw a great crowd.