

CHURCH YOUNG PEOPLE'S CLUB HEAR FINE TALK

D. F. Cranden, of Illinois Bell Co., Explains Working of Phones Following Supper.

The Young People's Club of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church gave a supper Wednesday evening, in the church parlors, for members of the club and invited guests.

D. F. Cranden, publicity man for the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, gave an illustrated lecture on the working of the telephone system which was illuminating to those who heard him.

One thing he said which drew applause from the audience. That was the fact that our present "ringing" system of signaling the operator would be replaced this year with the "common battery system" whereby all that is necessary to establish a connection with the switchboard is to lift the receiver from the hook.

Harry Case, president of the club, closed the evening by thanking Mr. Cranden for his time and the interesting things he had told. He also extended an invitation to young folks to join the club and enter into the spirit of church work with them.

CANDLE LIGHT INITIATION AT VESTA CHAPTER

Eastern Star Members Decide to Create Fund Toward Local Masonic Temple.

Vesta Chapter, No. 242, O. E. S., met in regular session January 24. The usual business of the evening had been dispensed with, and the solemn procedure of balloting was fairly in progress when the electric lights went out. After a short time in the dark, candles were brought in and altho balloting was discontinued, the ceremony of initiation was almost entirely carried through by candle light.

Mrs. Abernombie, who had not been able to be present at the regular installation, on account of illness, was installed as Esther at this time. Mrs. C. A. Graves as Installing Master and Mrs. Jonas Foster as Installing Marshal, executed the work in their usual impressive and becoming manner.

As notice had been sent out that Vesta Chapter would consider the voting out of funds toward the new temple at this meeting, the Worthy Patron called for expressions at this time. Mr. Burr Downes, Mrs. Jonas Foster and Mrs. Jack White responded and were agreed in their suggestion that Vesta Chapter at the present time make no formal action in this matter. It was advised that a fund be created just as soon as possible, to be added to from time to time which shall be used later in whatever ways Vesta Chapter shall deem advisable to further the completion of a new temple.

These suggestions seemed to meet with approval and the Worthy Patron in his usual gracious manner invited those present to visit the dining room where refreshments had been prepared by the social committee.

FIRST REAL COLD SNAP SENDS MERCURY TO 8 MINUS

This Open Winter is Again With Us Following a Three-Day Spell of Alaskan Breezes.

Slight below zero on unofficial thermometers around the village on Tuesday morning marked the end of the first real cold snap of the winter. It was a three-day affair, starting Sunday morning with the mercury hovering near the zero mark which it hardly left all day. Monday morning it was about four below with but little moderation all day.

After these cold breezes from icy Alaska, we can't imagine where else they could come from, had died down, the sun came out and we are again enjoying our "open" winter.

Predictions last fall all pointed to a severe winter with lots of snow and almost continual zero weather. At least that's the way the weather prognosticators who drifted into the office would have it. They said a hot summer was always followed by a cold winter.



MAJOR R. W. SCHROEDER Famous Aviator Who Will Speak at the Dicke Theatre Next Monday.

WOMEN ASKED FOR FANCY WORK FOR FIREMEN BAZAAR

Part of the \$3,000 Still Owing on the Fire Truck to be Cleaned Up in Spring.

Ladies here is your chance to help pay the remaining \$3,000 which we still owe on the fire truck. The firemen are going to give a bazaar immediately after Easter and want every woman in town to donate some beautiful pieces of fancy work for the affair.

The firemen are also going to sell chances on an electric washer. The chances will be fifty cents each, so tell hubby how badly you need a new washer and get him prepared to purchase several tickets for this important article of home equipment.

They are also working on several little surprises (not ways of opening the purse but bit of interest and amusement) that will make the evenings spent at the bazaar pass altogether too fast.

So lets every body get busy - better get busy now - than you won't have to wish you had later.

HENRY C. DICKE, Chief.

E. G. LEMON SAYS IMPROVEMENTS SHOULD BE MADE

By Edward G. Lemon

From present indications, there will be considerable building here in the spring and summer, if costs are lowered to a point where building income property seems reasonably attractive.

Inquiry for desirable building lots, both for dwelling and mercantile purposes, continues fairly active and several people are considering the advisability of building a few houses, two-houses or two flat buildings for rent. One man in Chicago, a client of Edward G. Lemon & Co., owns a number of lots in Downers Grove in a location which would be attractive if improved with a few modern houses and he is ready to build them as soon as prices of building reach a reasonable level.

The sale of several building lots was closed up during the past week and titles transferred. Among them were two lots at the corner of Franklin and Middaugh, two on Elm street between Franklin and Rogers streets, one on the opposite side of Elm, one on Saratoga near Prairie, one on Saratoga near Chicago avenue, and one on Main street just north of Chicago avenue. All of these but two, were bought for the purpose of building homes as soon as possible. A number of others are still considering the purchase of lots for building purposes but have not yet come to a decision as to location.

There are still a number of desirable lots for sale, both on paved and unpaved streets, but the preference is for paved streets and if Franklin, Prairie, Chicago avenue, Washington, Elm and the north two blocks of Main, Forest and Prince can be improved with water, sewer, paving and sidewalks next summer, a great deal of property can be sold and many new houses built. The ends of the other north side streets and several on the south side should also be improved.

By all means, let us improve these streets this year if it can be done at a reasonable cost and by so doing, bring another two or three hundred desirable residents and home owners to Downers Grove, who will help development and help pay for it. They all want it.

WEEKLY SINGING HOUR FOR CHILDREN OPENS FEB. 4

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who have been trained to lead. She has herself studied music since seven years of age. In more recent years she has studied under Chicago's best vocal teachers after completing a course in the Boston Conservatory and spending two years in New York under the instruction of the renowned Oscar Seagle.

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KATHRYN FRAHER HOSTESS TO FORMER D. G. GIRLS

Entertains at Bunco Last Friday in Honor of Vivian Woods and Eleanor Bird.

Miss Kathryn Fraher entertained at her home in East Maple avenue last Friday evening in honor of two former Downers Grove girls, Miss Vivian Woods, of Creston, Iowa, and Eleanor Bird, of Yates City, Illinois. The evening was spent playing

bunco, Miss Lorraine Modjeska taking the first prize and Miss Margery West the consolation.

Those present were the Misses Vivian Woods, Eleanor Bird, Margaret Wolf, Ruth Waples, Marie and Viola Nielsen, Helen and Margery West, Helen Lewis, Margery Whiffen, Mildred Potter, Aelaide Walter, Anna Heal, Mary Gillespie, Cecil Allison, Gladys Whitney, Lorraine Modjeska and Mesdames Harold Clarke and Chas. Baker.

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