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MAJOR SCHROEDER, FLYER, MAKES HIT MONDAY EVENING

Aviator Who Dropped Seven Miles
Opens People's Eyes in Re-
gard to Flying

Major R. W. Schroeder, aviator, and the first man to fly higher than 30,000 feet in the air, held the rapt attention of an audience at the Dicke Theatre Monday night for over an hour with a recital of a few of his experiences while flying. He came here under the auspices of the local Legion post and ex-service men and their families and friends were invited to hear him and see the moving pictures which he is showing.

From his opening remarks, in which he told of missing the 6:30 train from Chicago and making the drive out in his car, to the time he closed, he had the audience with him. At certain points in his narrative people grasped the arms of their chairs and several gasps were heard as the Major recited critical moments of his hours of flying time. An indication of how fast he goes can be seen from the fact that on Monday night he drove from the Union depot to Naperville in an hour.

Let him tell you in his own words: "After missing the train I thought I might as well drive out as the car was outside. I knew that Downers Grove was somewhere out on Ogden avenue and that the train took about an hour to get here so I thought, well, I'll drive an hour and that should bring me to Downers Grove. I did that, and as an indication of how much better the roads are than they used to be when I drove out this way about twelve years ago, at the end of an hour I was in Naperville."

Major Schroeder opens the eyes of those who hear him to the actual conditions to be met and conquered in the flying game. Also as to the great amount of experimental work which must be done before any of the handicaps can be overcome.

Most people are of the opinion that stunts like breaking the world's altitude record "just happen." Well they don't. For instance before Major Schroeder broke the altitude record, over two years of experimenting was necessary to perfect the little details on the motor; several new devices were invented and many flights were made.

The most interesting part of his story, that is, his flight when he broke the world's record, was replete with hair-raising details of his pluck, his clear-headedness and nerve. And it was all told in such a modest, unassuming manner that he quite won the hearts of his hearers.

It was on this flight that he reached the hitherto unaccessible height of 32,180 feet, with the help of a device called the Moss super-charger. This device was to keep the air, fed to the carburetor, at the same pressure as that on the ground, approximately 14 pounds to the square inch. At the rarified atmosphere found that high in the air, an engine would not deliver one-half of its normal horse power and that was the thing which

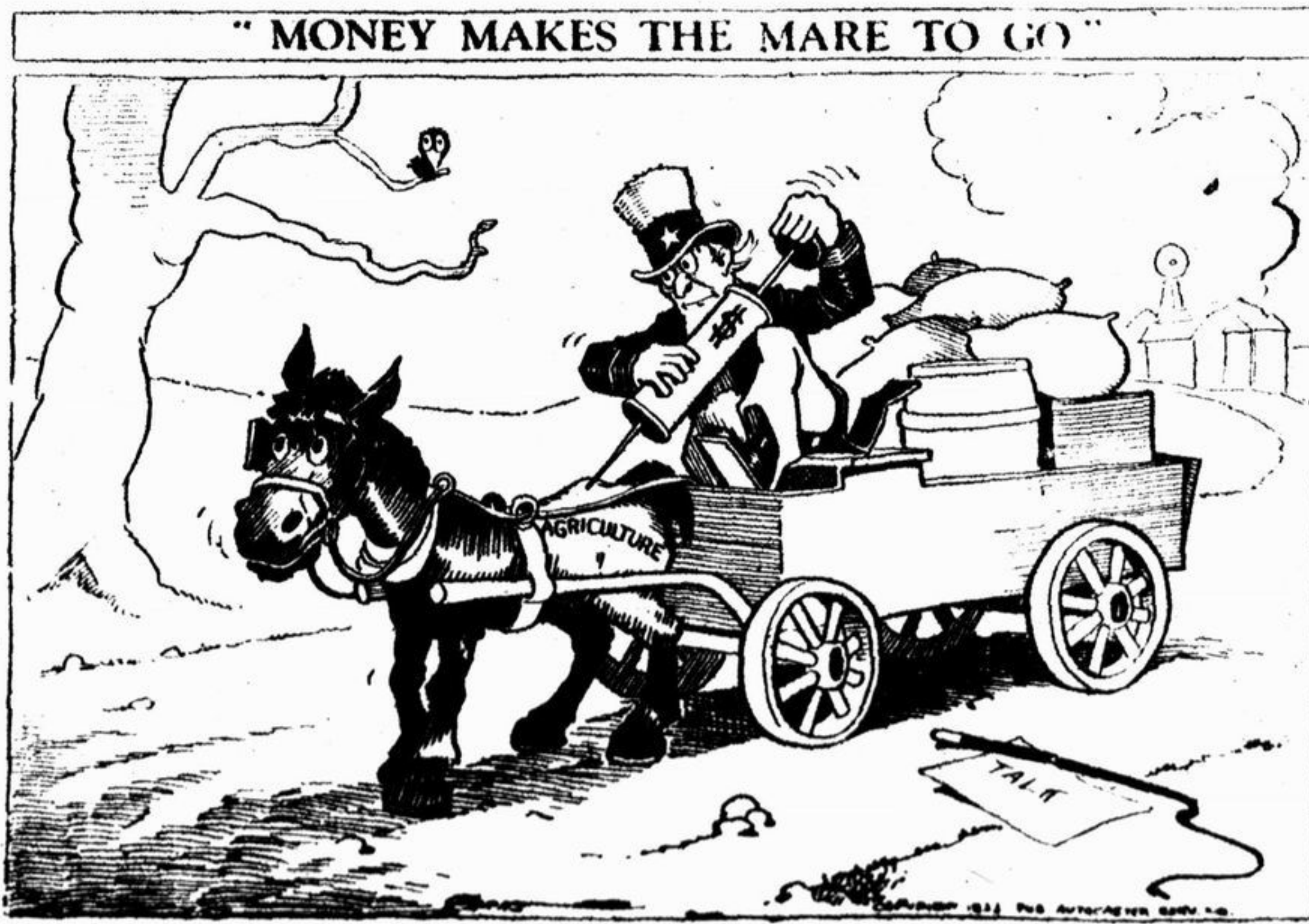
WESTMONT ADVERTISERS FACT THAT "IT HAS GROWN"

Slogan "Watch Us Grow" Has More
Than Justified Itself in the
Last Six Months.

Remember when those signs—"WESTMONT—Watch Us Grow," were first placed along the "Q" at and along Maple ave. at "Greggs"? That community has more than justified the message the signs sent to passers-by. Westmont has grown and now they are advertising the fact. Decorating the southwest and the southeast sides of their water tank are the words, "We Have Grown." On the north is the word "Westmont" in letters seven feet high and three feet across. Westmont certainly has grown, the wonder of it still puzzles some people.

And it will grow some more. We understand that contracts have been let and are ready to be let for more than a hundred houses to be built in the spring.

Our hats are off to Westmont.



46 HEAD OF STOCK PERISHED IN FIRE WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Barns and Silo Burn on Roy Klein
Farm — Bad Fire at Hinsdale
Yesterday

Forty head of Holstein cattle and six head of horses were burned to death on the Roy Klein farm on the Plainfield road south of the village Wednesday night when two barns and a silo were burned to the ground.

The live stock was the property of Wm. and Al. Ehrhart, cattle dealers of Naperville, who had purchased them at the Chicago market in the morning and were to sell them at auction tomorrow. We understand no insurance was carried and the loss will be total. The buildings were covered by insurance.

The blaze lit up the heavens in the southern sky as the barns were filled with straw. Downers Grove firemen were out practicing hose connections and so on with the truck. Their attention was called to the reflection in the sky, and, thinking the fire was just south of the village, started to do what they could. After topping the hill on South Main street, it appeared to be just over the next hill and in this way they were lured all the way out. By their work, pumping water from a well, they saved part of the corn crib and other small buildings, but the high wind fanned the flames of the large barns until nothing could be done.

Bad Fire at Hinsdale
Early yesterday morning the restaurant and fruit store just across from the depot, at Hinsdale, caught fire. So great a start had the fire, before it was discovered, that the entire building and stock is a total loss. The Hinsdale fire department labored for hours to keep the flames confined to the one structure.

George Jack, an express messenger on the Burlington, who years ago made his home in the village, will soon retire and come back here to live where he owns a home. Mr. Jack is now living at Meniota.

HOW MANY ENTER YOUR STORE?

What per cent of the people in the Downers Grove trading territory enter your store every week? Is it one? Two? Three or more? Just figure what your business would be if you could double that percentage. Yes, it's possible and Reporter advertising will do it. Every month thousands of dollars are sent out of the village to mail order houses because local people do not know that they can do as well for their money right here at home. Tell them about it. Advertise your goods in the medium which reaches Downers Grove people—the people who should naturally do their buying in Downers Grove. Such a medium is The Reporter—use it. Don't run an ad one week or two and expect to accomplish wonders. A steady advertiser turns the trick.

TAXES FOR VILLAGE ARE \$8.68 ON EACH \$100 OF VALUATION

Hard Roads and Sanitary District
Spreads Increase Tax Rate
For Downers Grove.

The tax rate for Downers Grove this year will be \$8.68 on each \$100 of valuation. This is the direct tax and does not include the personal property tax or the special assessments, if there are any.

It is split up among the various civic bodies as follows:

State	.....	\$ .45
County	.....	.54
Township	.....	.14
Road and Bridge	.....	.50
Forest Preserve	.....	.08
Hard Road	.....	.67
Downers Grove Corporation	.....	1.61
Library	.....	.14
Sanitary District	.....	.75
School District No. 38	.....	3.80
Total	.....	\$8.68

The increase this year is due to a slight increase in the state tax rate and in the spreads for hard roads in Downers Grove township and the Sanitary District, both of which are new this year. The hard road tax is for four years and the money is now being spent in graveling many of the roads throughout the district. The rate seems high but contrast it with what the people of Elmhurst are paying this year. In a part of

TACK—PETERSON

A pretty home wedding was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Staffeldt, 188 North Forest avenue, Wednesday evening, February 1, when Mrs. Staffeldt's sister, Miss Anna Tack, became the bride of Mr. Orvie Peterson.

The bridal pair were accompanied by the groom's sister and brother, Miss Edith and Mr. Alfred Peterson. The Rev. Otto Arnold, pastor of the Immanuel Lutheran Church, performed the beautiful ring ceremony which made them man and wife, in the presence of relatives and friends.

Immediately after the ceremony they were pleasantly surprised by the choir of the church who were hidden in another room, singing, "The Sunshine of Your Smile."

Mr. and Mrs. Peterson left yesterday for Pine City, Minn., where they will spend their honeymoon.

Guests at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tack, of Star City, Ind., parents of the bride; Mr. Chas. Peterson, father of the groom; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Staffeldt and family; Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Peterson and family; Herman Tack; Mrs. Otto Arnold; Mrs. Wm. Raepfer and Mrs. Mata Krueger and son, Herman.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our sincerest thanks and deepest gratification to our friends who offered their sympathy and floral tributes.

Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Statton and Family.

ANNUAL FARMERS' INSTITUTE WAS A GREAT SUCCESS

Irving Goodrich, Retiring President,
Praised—George Keller is
New President.

With ideal winter weather and through the splendid publicity given by the press of the county, the 1922 sessions of the Farmers' Institute at Wheaton last week were the most successful in the history of that organization both in point of attendance and the number of exhibits, as well as excellence of program.

Thursday was school day and there was a large attendance of teachers and pupils of rural and village schools. Twenty-three districts were entered in the school exhibits which were especially good and showed that a high quality of work is being done in these schools. Inspiring addresses by Chas. W. Farr and H. C. McCarroll made the day decidedly "worth while."

Friday was given over to the live-stock interests of the county and talks were given by Supervisor Kohley on Chester Whites; Mrs. D. W. Dymec on Durie Jerseys; John P. Case on Poland Chinas; A. W. Fischer on Molsteins; and a comparison of purebreds with scrubs as shown by the records of C. J. Rieck, cow tester. The discussions of the morning were especially interesting and showed that DuPage County ranks high in the number of breeders of purebred live-stock. In the afternoon E. M. Clark of the Illinois Agricultural Association gave a valuable illustrated lecture on profitable dairying. County Adviser E. A. Carn-cross introduced to the uninitiated soy beans as a valuable crop.

The needs of the Near East were

LADIES AID PAY BIRTHDAY CALL ON MRS. UEBELE

Eleven Members of St. Paul's Church
Remember Her 84th Birth-
day Anniversary.

Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Grotefeld and ten members of the Ladies Aid Society of St. Paul's Evangelical Church remembered the 84th birthday of one of their members, last Friday, January 27, when they paid their annual birthday visit to Mrs. Louise Uebele, who lives at the home of her daughter, Mrs. M. W. Mills, 108 Midland avenue.

Birthday greetings were read in prose and rhyme. Refreshments were served and Mrs. Uebele, being in her usual good health, entered into the spirit of the occasion and enjoyed the annual visit of the women.

Those present were Mesdames H. H. Woelfersheim, Julius Severus, P. Peters, Joseph Staiger, Louis Klein, George Heintz, Augusta Selig, Matilda Johnson, Caroline Weatherbee and Minnie Zell.

SCHOOL LUNCHES SERVED BY P.-T. ASSN. POPULAR

Increase in Food Consumption is
Noted by Studying Pur-
chase Memos.

The popularity of the hot lunches served the school children of the south side school by the Parent-Teacher association, has increased by leaps and bounds since the inception of the idea several weeks ago.

Just what the increase has been can be realized from a glance at the purchase memos of the women. The first time hot roast beef sandwiches were served six pounds of meat was enough to satisfy the demand. When it was served this week twenty-five pounds barely held out. And another instance. Nine dozen "weenies" was enough the first time they appeared on the menu, and the last time it took thirty-three dozen to fill the demand. About thirty gallons of milk is the weekly average and other supplies are in proportion.

The Parent-Teacher committee appointed to look after this phase of the work, decided they would serve hot dishes every day and keep the price at five cents. This they have done and in spite of the fact that nothing but the best of everything is used and the large helpings given, there is no deficit but actually a little profit from the sale of the lunches.

Unselfish devotion on the part of the mothers, to the project of giving the school children hot lunches at noon, at a low cost, has been responsible for the success of the undertaking. No one asked to serve has refused and the hints given and the service offered has been splendid.

What started as an experiment has proven a great success which will, no doubt, be continued in the future.

LOCAL STORES INSTALL BUR- GLAR ALARMS

Two Downers Grove stores, Seibert & Norris, druggists at Main and Curtis streets and H. E. McAllister & Co., dry goods, 33 South Main St., have installed burglar alarms.

The systems are the same. In each the breaking of a window or the opening of a door will close an electric circuit which starts a loud bell ringing and this bell will ring until the power is turned off. Lead tape is pasted around the window and the glass in the door. An ingenious arrangement on the doors and windows also starts the bell ringing should either be opened. The burglaries of the last few months in the village make some sort of protective device almost necessary.

MRS. SIROSLAWSKI

Mrs. Teofila Siroslawski passed away at her home on Chicago ave. near G. way Tuesday, January 17, after suffering several years from asthma.

Funeral services were held at St. Joseph's Church, Thursday, January 19, the Rev. Eneas B. Goodwin, officiating. Burial was made at Mt. Carmel cemetery at the side of her husband who died eleven years ago.

Mrs. Siroslawski has made Downers Grove her home for the past twenty-eight years and leaves to mourn her loss two daughters, Valeria S. and Anna S. Reter, of the Grove and two sons, Joseph and Alex. of Chicago.

READ EVERY AD EVERY WEEK

There is in every issue of The Reporter two kinds of news. There is news which is of general interest, the doings of the folks who make up this community, of the clubs, lodges, churches, and so on. Then there is the news of the merchants of the community. This is also of general interest probably of more interest than the other as it touches on that vital thing, the family pocketbook. In the store news, (the advertisements) will be found the latest additions to stocks, bargains on groceries and meats; where to find a carpenter, plumber, electrician; and where to buy your automobile and so on, and on and on. Read both kinds of news religiously, the one to keep in touch with your community and what is and will be doing in it. The other so that the pocketbook will maintain an even balance. Read the ads—it pays.

COMPLETE PLANS TO OBSERVE BOY SCOUT BIRTHDAY

Public Exhibition at High School on
Next Wednesday is High Spot
Anniversary Week.

A boy must be 12 years of age before becoming a boy scout, and when he first joins he is a "tenderfoot." February 8, 1922, marks the twelfth anniversary of American Boy Scouts so that now the movement in this country is a Tenderfoot.

It was in 1910 that W. D. Boyce of Chicago, was so favorably impressed with the good turn done for him in London by an English boy scout, who refused the offered tip, that he secured the cooperation of Washington friends and the organization of the Boy Scouts of America was incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia. Twelve years have passed since then and now hundreds of thousands of boys have become scouts and several thousand men are serving as Scoutmasters and in supervising Councils.

At 8:15 next Wednesday evening, February 8, all the scouts in America will stand at attention and repeat the Scout Oath which is: "On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country. To obey the scout laws and help other people, at all times. To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight."

A program for every day of the twelfth anniversary week has been prepared by the Downers Grove Council as follows:

Wednesday, February 8 — Good Turn Day at Home.

At 7:00 p. m. a joint meeting of the local and Westmont troops will be held in the high school gym. All fathers and mothers and friends of the boys and of scouting are urged to attend.

The program for the evening has been prepared by District Commissioner W. W. Heintz and is free to all. Here will be shown the drill and some of the wonderful things scouts learn to do, the signaling, bitter drills, knot tying and games.

Thursday, February 9 — Good Turn Day at School.

Friday, February 10 — Good Turn Day for Troop and Scoutmaster. Each patrol to get together and try to get an additional Scoutmaster.

At 7:00 in the evening the big banquet will be held in the parlors of the Methodist Episcopal Church. This is for the scouts and their parents and should prove one of the most enjoyable occasions in the life of the boys. The well known Dr. Simons of the Chicago Council, will entertain with a special talk on Scouting.

Saturday — Good Turn Day for the Community.
Sunday — Good Turn Day for the Church and Sunday School.

At 3:00 in the afternoon a special service for scouts and the public will be held at the M. E. Church. Mrs. Philip Weinheimer will sing and Dr. Ira A. Allen, of LaGrange, will be the speaker.

Monday — Good Turn Check-Up Day. Every scout is to check up on his

LIGHTED SIGNS TO WARN MOTORISTS AT A BAD CORNER

Warning Signs are Ready Now for
Installation at Main St.
and Maple Ave.

Metal signs are ready for installation at the corner of Main street and Maple avenue. Four of them will be erected two on Maple and two on Main so that motorists approaching the corner from either direction can take heed. They will bear the legend "DANGER—Bad Corner—Keep to Right." Shades will be put over the signs and at night they will be illuminated by electric lights.

Quite a number of accidents have taken place at this corner and it is fortunate that none of them have ended with fatalities to anything but the cars. Even the cutting away of the corner on the church side of the street was not enough. There is plenty of room and if autoists will only heed the warning of "keep to the right" there will be no danger.