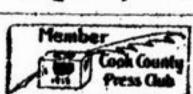
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#### THE CHILDREN'S KINGDOM

dom of God.

on this earth to make glad the hearts local schools the best possible. of all at this blessed season-The Children's Kingdom of Christmas.

At midnight the portals which shut His magic kingdom off from the workaday world swing silently open. At dawn the little people of the realm begin to troop into it. Little pattering feet, funny little forms clad in nightclothes swarm through the open gates of the Kingdom of Christmas and take possession for

The horns blow, the rattles sound, the drums' beat, rations of sugar plums and comfits are served out to the pajama-clad army. Chariots, Council that they arrange with the was also re-elected Troop Scribe and reign of the children revels itself out to a sleepy end at nightfall, with dells and swords clasped in hands which cling on after the eyes have fallen shut in sleep.

It is a great day, a day of sweet foolishness ,a time for the baring of hearts too long screened from the eyes that long to look into them and see love enthroned.

Make the most of it, the best of it and all you can of it. It comes but once a year. Most people find themselves unable to buy the presents they would like to buy for Christmas. Some find the season a time of unhappiness for that very reason. Try not to feel thus. It is not the presents bought or received that makes the day good. It is the love spent and not the money that counts.

The DAY should break down every barrier between hearts estranged and be the starting point for better. relations and new affections - and above all, it should be the day of a road through the park from Washthe Childrens' Kingdom.

And whenever Christmas is made lessen the danger of the other. the children's festival - based on LOVE-His gentle spirit will be in the midst of it.

(Editors Note - For the Christmas edition of The Reporter in 1920, we asked H. P. Jones, of Gilbert avenue. to write a message of the Christmastide. He did, and we believed it was one of the best things we ever published. That's the reason we have printed again, as above.)

#### THE CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION -AND THE SCHOOLS

Next Tuesday evening, December 19 at the Methodist church will be faced jointly by these four counties tration card is sufficient. If the scout held the regular monthly meeting and in making and keeping up a system dinner of the Citizens' Association. of hard roads. The meeting will be The topic up for discussion will be "Our Schools,' 'a subject close to the heart of every parent, of every property owner, of every resident of the ises to be an interesting one. community.

The association now numbers more clock at the Wheaton Cafe. than two hundred members and in this number are among the most progressive men of the community. here.

will have the best in the county next meeting until the following month. CHRISTMAS!

year. They have a real program for the members to ponder over and work for. They will do things.

If, through the meeting next Tuesday, should come some solution of the school problem of this district, the association would deserve the . Editor thanks of everyone. There is no pro-J. WINTER . . Business Manager gram, originating in the association ranks, for the schools. The meeting intered at the Downers Grove Post will simply discuss the situation ,after it has been presented by the Board of Education, listen to what we can do, by a member of the State Superintendent's staff and then arrange to come to some agreement on what can be done.

If you are interested in the future of the schools of the district, if you believe that Downers Grove has a future, if you would like to see progress, investigate the association-we The baby of the manger, overlook- do not say join because we know that ed by the mild-eyed oxen and wor- will be the logical outcome of a shipped by the wise men with their thorough investigation. In any event ed from there to the Scout cabin in frankencense and myrrh, came to es- be at the dinner, feel out the sentitablish a new kingdom - the King- ment and do your part in helping the an overnight camp. Three Hinsdale children of the district to a real edu-scouts joined them for the evening One other kingdom He established cation through the making of the and a fine time was had. The Scout-

#### BACK ON AN OLD SUBJECT

More than a year ago The Reporter started an agitation for a roadway through the park on the north side of the tracks between Main street and Washington, similar to the one at Hinsdale. At the same time we advocated parking rules at this dangerous corner. In the mail yester- sistant of the Beaver Patrol. Arthur day was the following note from one McElroy and Spencer Lott, Leader of the prominent business men of the community:

carts, donkeys and automobiles speed C. B. & Q. to cut off quite a chunk Lawson was chosen as Cheer Leader. of the corners of the park at Main Charles Seivers was re-elected Senior street and Warren avenue so as to Patrol Leader. give autoists a fair show where there is so much traffic, close calls from afternoon hike December 9. Meet at collisions can be seen there every school house at 2:15 p. m. Wear day. And there should be a drive woolen socks, suitable shoes for hikalong the north side of the tracks, ing and warm outer glothing and north of the platform."

The man or woman who today is Troop 4 is to be registered this not aware of the fact that the auto- week with nine active members over mobile, both pleasure and business, is 12 years and about that many under with us to stay and that the use of 12, that are listed as Prep. Scouts. these vehicles will increase with the Arthur Tylor, who has taken charge passage of time, is woefully behind of the troop, is making a success of the times. Streets and highways, ad-the movement and it should not be equate for horse drawn traffic will long before Troop 4 will stand on not do in this day and age. One of an equal footing with Troops 2 and the best ways to speed up traffic and 3 to lessen the danger of collision and Troop 2 also sends in their re-regpossible loss of life is for wide cor- istration this week. It has been ners and cutting down parking on somewaht delayed this year on acthe main thoroughfares to an abso-count of the re-organization of the lute minimum. The cutting of these Troop. corners would take care of one part of this modern plan. The cutting of ington to Main streets would greatly

#### ROAD COMMITTEES OF FOUR COUNTIES MEET AT WHEATON

Conference Includes Men from Cook, Kane, Will and DuPage-A Lunch at One.

county boards of Cook, Kanc, Will and can be purchased at the Fair. and DuPage counties will hold a conference on the problems which are held in the Court House at Wheaton at ten o'clock this morning and prom-

A luncheon is to be held at one o'-

### BOY SCOUT NOTES

They are banded together to make On account of the importance of the crowd warrants the second show-Downers Grove a better place for having each Troop Committee fully ing. Parents that did not get to themselves and their families, in do- organized so that they can start into visit the scout camp last summer will ing this they cannot help but make the work of the new year with a enjoy seeing the boys in action in it a better place for everyone in the complete organization, there will be their camp. Boys, you will want to community and so should have the held at the school house at 7:45 p. m. see how scouts in Ohio spend their united support of the men wno live Tuesday, December 19, a meeting of time in camp. Be there to see these the Committeemen of all the Troops pictures. You'll like them. The association tackled the com- of Downers Grove; and this will mean Christmas is but a dozen days munity athletic field when it seemed a postponement of the Scout Leaders away - SCOUTS REMEMBER as if it would fall through and we Round Table and Training Class YOUR SPECIAL GOOD TURN FOR



Saturday afternoon the Bear Patrol of troop 3, with Scoutmaster Sweeny, took the train to LaGrange and hikthe LaGrange Froest Preserve for master was well "lambasted" by Patrol Leader Adams in the Badger game. The overnight hike is the life, fellows: and the Bear patrol was given this one for the good scout work they did in the contest.

Tuesday Troop 3 held their annual election of non-commissioned officers. Ed. Adams was elected Patrol Leader of the Wolf Patrol wit hRoy Wedell as Assistant. Burchard Chester and Milton Rogers, Leader and Asand Assistant of the Crows. Horace Adams and Bob McVitty, Leader and "Why not suggest to the Village Assistant of the Bears. Bob McVitty

> The Troop will have a Saturday we'll away for an exploration hike!

Winter camp at Lake Delavan will be the outing of great experience, fun and knowledge for the Scouts. The dates are December 26 to January 1. Notify your Scoutmaster or Executive Lott if you are going. This report must be in by the 20 .

One of the principles or practices of Scouting is for the Scout to earn the money for his uniform; but since the Christmas spirit brings the giving of gifts, it is a practical suggestion for parents to get their boy the longwished for uniform for Christmas. Nothing would please him bet ter. Uniforms can be had for ap-Hard road committees from the preximately \$7.50 including the hat the Hub, or other department stores in the city when proper Scout credentials are shown. The scouts' regisdoes not possess that, certificates can be secured from the Commissioner at 100 Belmont street.

Here's something that you have been waiting for-Boys and Parents! Two reels of Boy Scout movies, showing Scouts in camp. Thursday and Friday, December 21 and 22 at the Dicke Theatre. The reels will be shown immediately after the first show and also after the second if

# America's Food and Medicine May Go for Naught if Russians Cannot Secure Clothing



them through the famine of last opinion of the American Relief Ad-Colonel Haskell down to the in-A. R. A.

service and inoculations to save beyond the reach of any general literally millions of lives, the story the same—that the children lack

this winter from exposure—after is indicated by statements of re- Broadway, New York, the following the charity of America has brought centiv-returned workers, who state articles, or their equivalent in valthat in cases where Russian emwinter, they must be supplied with ployes have been given a blanket nated person in Russia: 4 2-3 yards clothing." This is a concensus of for extra services the blankets have almost invariably been made into ministration staff in itussia, from overcoats. Literally millions of children, say reports, have no shoes spectors, according to their reports -an item which in itself may make to Herbert Hoover, head of the it impossible for them to go to American Rellef child-feeding kitch-From every part of Russia where ens. Free shoes and stockings have the A. R. A. has been feeding been provided for 250,000 children children and adults, and has been | who are absolutely without footinstituting sanitation and medical wear, but the whole problem is

The American Relief Administration, to meet this emergency, has wear, shoes, stockings or outer put into effect a Clothing Remitwear, with which to protect them- | tance, functioning in every way as stives against the rigors of the does the now world famous Hoover

funds now available.

as well, are to be saved from death aid in this direction for adults, too, lars, sent to the A R. A. at 42 ue, will be delivered to any desiglifty-six tack twenty ounce dark blue wool cloth; 4 yards of thirtytwo inch black cotton lining: & yards of twenty-seven inch flannel; 16 yards of unbleached mustin; \$ large black ivory buttons: 16 small black ivory buttons; 16 small white bone buttons: 2 spools No. 30 black cotton thread; 2 spools No 40 white

> One package will clothe one adult or two children all winter, and remittances ordered for general relief will be used for needlest cases, thousands of which are heart-break-

## "Anything To Wear" Motto of Russian Boys Who Face Death from Lack of Clothes

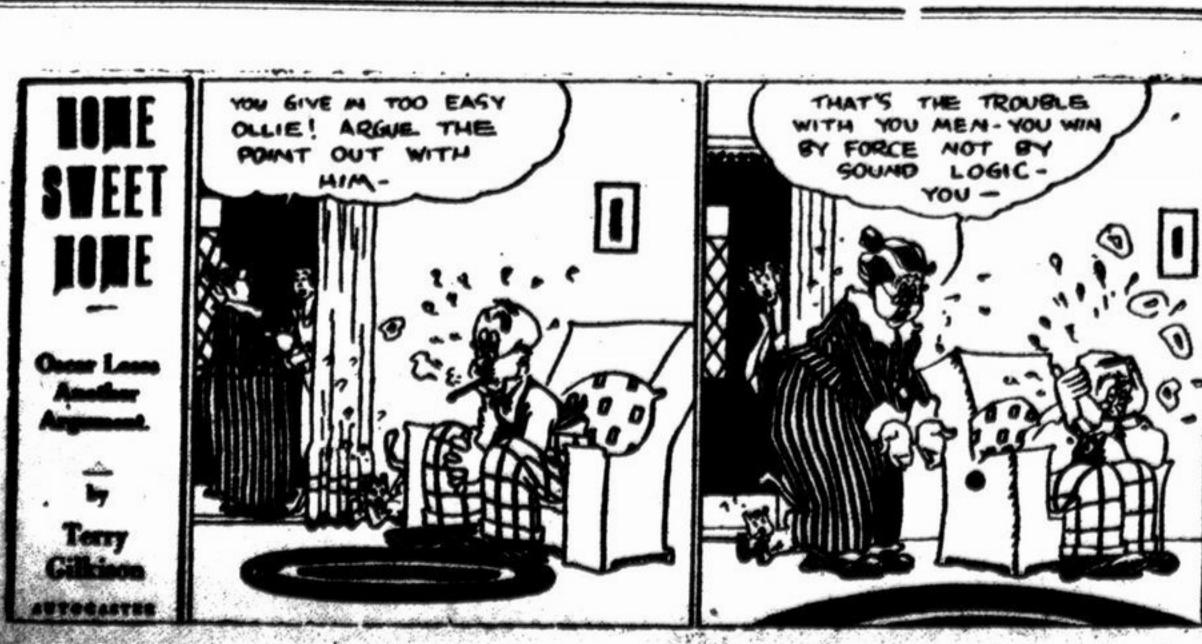


motto of these three Russian boys during the coming winter months. Their condition is typical of that of Hoover, head of the organizationfed them warm meals for a year in the bucket". or more. As fuel is almost impos-

The Russian winter is as severe as age contains sufficient material for that of the northernmost United a suit or dress and four suits of States and Canada, and this has underwear for man or woman or made the problem doubly pressing, two children. The items include millions of little Russian children, for the Russian markets have little 4 2-3 yards of 56-inch 29-ounce most of whom have come through clothing available, and the supply dark blue wool cloth; 4 yards of 36the summer without shoes and sel- that is for sale is held at prices far inch black cotton lining; 8 yards of dom with more than two garments, above the reach of the average 27-inch flannel; 16 yards of un-And they face the prospect, -ac- workingman. Overcoats cost more bleached muslin; and buttons and cording to reports which field work- than a year's salary. Some of the ers of the American Relief Admin- organizations allied with the Amer- When the money is received at istration have made to Herbert ican Relief Administration have A. R. A. headquarters, 42 Broadway. sent clothing for distribution in New York, delivery of packages of being unable to go out doors to Russia, but these contributions, big purchased without designated conthe A. R. A. kitchens which have as they are, have been "only a drop signees, will be distributed among

To overcome these conditions, the which are beyond description. sible to get, most of the homes will American Relief Administration has Delivery of clothing package in be heatless, adding to the peril the initiated a Clothing Remittance undertaken to any given address in children face, say the reports, for system operating in every way like Russia. The sender receives a direction if they try to go out in this scanty the now famous Hoover Food Re- ect receipt from the Russian who stothing they will be exposed to ill- mittance. The Clothing Remittance gets the clothing. mess and death from the elements. | costs \$20. and each clothing pack-

thread to make up the garments. the most needy cases, many of







R.B.F SAYS MIS WIFE ALWAYS HIDES THE MONEY ELSE CAN FIND

HOME

HADITS

HAVE YOU

SENT US A MOME HABITS.