

PUNCHETTES.

By Rev. M. A. Matthews, D.D.L.L.D.

HOW MUCH SHALL I GIVE TO THE CHURCH

Church support is an obligation. Church attendance is a duty. Worship is absolutely essential. And every honest man and woman discharges these duties each week. Contributions of time, talent and thought and interest are demanded. It is an honor to give and a privilege. We are God's stewards. All we have has been entrusted to us. It is our duty to support the church. The Christian church has created and added fifty cents of every dollar's worth of property in America.

Every time one goes to church he should make an honest, conscientious contribution to the great work of the church. When the collection plate reaches one his honor, sincerity, and character are immediately tested and when he, because he imagines no eye sees him, puts upon the plate pennies where he ought to put pounds brands himself before God and the Bar of God as a thief. He

is perfectly willing to pay extravagant sums to go to a theatre, questionable show, or suggestive screen production, and then go into the House of God and lay upon the plate pennies. He owes God everything. Many churchgoers today are church cheats, robbing God, searing their conscience, and leaving unpaid honest obligations. The spirit of cheating soon fastens itself upon some men, and they become so dishonest that they actually stay away from church in order to avoid the test to which their characters will be put. The average churchgoer in America gives three cents per Sunday for the greatest blessing ever bestowed upon mankind. Therefore, the average church cheat will have to face the Bar of Judgment and be branded as a church fraud robbing God, depriving the church of her dues, and preventing the spread of the gospel and the blessings of salvation to thousands.

SOUTH-OF-LISLENOTES

Kathryn Griffith, Bobbie Bergen and the Minear children took part in the Xmas program at the Lisle church.

Mr Elmer Kampmeyer has been very ill with an attack of pleurisy but at this writing is much improved.

Mr and Mrs H B Utley had as Xmas guests, Mr and Mrs J B Utley and children, and Mr and Mrs David Oliver and children of Evanston, Mr and Mrs R Howland and children, of Beverly Hills and Mr and Mrs P H Utley and children.

Mrs Collins Goodrich had supper with Mrs Eleanor Schmitt on Christmas night.

Miss Grace Greene is spending the holidays with home folks.

Algy Brainard is home from college for the holidays.

Mr and Mrs Collins Goodrich had supper with Mr and Mrs William McColl, of Wheaton, Christmas night.

Miss Louise Ory is spending a few days with Mrs John Egerman, of Naperville.

Mr and Mrs P H Utley entertained Mr and Mrs R Howland and children of Beverly Hills at dinner Saturday night.

Miss Meribah McColl of Wheaton is visiting her aunt, Mrs Collins Goodrich.

Mr Arthur Abbott attended a banquet in Chicago Friday night.

Mr and Mrs Emil Fry and sons, of La Grange, spent Xmas with Mr and Mrs Harry Abrams.

Miss Ruth Hood, of Wisconsin, is visiting during the holidays with her

sister, Mrs Arthur Abbott.

Mrs Jonas Foster is stopping with Mrs Harry Foster for a few days.

Mr and Mrs Hubbard Greene and children, of Aurora, and M and Mrs Arthur Greene had Xmas dinner at Oak Cottage.

Everyone that attended the Lisle Community Club meeting Tuesday evening had a most delightful time. The program was splendid and we greatly appreciate the kindness of Mrs Lottie Holman O'Neill and Mrs Philip Weinheimer of Downers Grove for coming over and helping make our program such a success. Owing to Mrs Harry Foster being ill, she and her daughter, Frances, were unable to take part in the program. We missed them very much.

Martha Utley is visiting relatives in Evanston. She will return home Saturday.

Happy New Year—and many of them.

NOTICE

It is the will and desire of the Alexander Bradley Burns Post, No. 80, of the American Legion, that any person, civilian or ex-service man, before soliciting Downers Grove in the name of the American Legion, or before solicitation involving the name of the American Legion, should obtain the official permit from Mayor Barber.

Signed,
W. C. BARBER, Mayor.

TRY A REPORTER CLASSIFIED.

BURLINGTON PRE-PARES FOR A BIG BUSINESS IN 1923

Road Is Preparing to Handle All Its Business According to Standard of "Before the War"

The Burlington has just placed an order with the Baldwin Locomotive Works, Philadelphia, for sixty fast freight (Mikado) locomotives of the very latest type. These engines will be similar to a lot of 38 delivered a short time back and which proved highly satisfactory.

The order calls for delivery early this coming spring and amounts to approximately \$3,180,000, says E. P. Bracken, vice-president.

"In addition to the above," said Mr. Bracken, "the Burlington has just received 2,000 re-conditioned steel coal cars, 500 new automobile cars, 500 re-conditioned box cars, and has just let a contract for the re-conditioning of 200 refrigerator cars."

Snails Spread Devastation. On the coasts of Ceylon quite lately a plague of snails occurred. Millions and millions were to be found everywhere, and some of them were reported to weigh a pound each. They began by feeding on and destroying young coconut trees, and then went on to the rubber trees. The government took steps promptly and managed to stop their devastations.

BOWLING NOTES

Two Downers Grove teams have entered in the Aurora Bowling Tournament to be held in the month of January.

Considerable friendly rivalry exists between these two teams, Team No. 1, Dicke Tool Co., and Team No. 2, X-L-O Motor Oils. This rivalry developed into a match game, which took place on the Dicke drives on Tuesday evening, Team No. 2 carrying off the bacon by trimming their rivals three straight games, having a safe margin of 131 pins; score as follows:

X-L-O Motor Oils		
Camp	167	188 147
Bruns	175	185 195
McVitty	197	165 168
McKelson	156	179 172
Albrecht	226	180 166

Totals...921 897 848

Dicke Tool Company		
Reha	167	179 160
Holst	139	194 168
Brunson	179	165 147
Marvicka	195	179 193

Totals...829 895 811

Above and Below the Salt. In the Middle Ages it was customary to put the family "saler" (salt cellar) in the middle of the table. Nobles and guests of distinction sat "above the salt," or at the head of the table, while dependents and inferior guests sat below this line of distinction.



How often have you said: "Next year I will save my money.?"

Often enough no doubt. And now "next year" is here. What are you going to do about it? Are you going to put off saving once more or are you going to really GET AHEAD by making up your mind to SAVE MONEY?

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