

CHRISTMAS PARCEL POST BUSINESS WAS LARGEST IN HISTORY

Local Office Handles More Than 1000 Sacks Besides 150 Pouches of 1st Class in 9 Days

Christmas business at the local post office was the largest in history, but due to the excellent work of the regular post office force, Lawrence Cox, Miss Loraine Tope, Harold Stough and extras Miss Maud Mertz and Ed. Garrison; the carriers, John Rassweiler, Albert Meyers and Otto Vix; parcel post carrier, Elton Staats and rural route men, John Venard and Delbert Austin, under the direction of Postmaster C. H. Staats and Assistant Harry B. Rigsbee, it was handled with a neatness and dispatch seldom seen in so small an office. Mr. Rigsbee says that the clerks, carriers and rural route men worked with the one object in view of delivering everything for Christmas which came in. This was accomplished and the last package received Monday morning was in the hands of its owner by one o'clock, the first time in the history of the local office that it was done.

The following figures tell the story of the super-human struggle of the postoffice force in the nine days preceding Christmas.

Number of sacks of incoming parcel post, 443; number of outside packages, in most cases too large to go in a sack, 148.

Number of sacks of outgoing parcel post, 482; outside packages, 27.

Number of pouches of incoming first class mail, 70.

Number of pouches of outgoing first class mail, 80.

The character of the first class mail indicated that more people than ever before sent out Christmas cards.

O. E. S. INSTALLATION JANUARY NINTH TO BE PUBLIC ONE

Mrs. A. R. Cramer, Worthy Matron Elect, Has Appointed Officers For Ensuing Year.

The installation of the 1923 officers of Vesta Chapter, O. E. S., will be held Tuesday evening, January 9, in the Masonic hall. The affair will be a public one and the following officers, elective and appointive, will be installed.

- Catherine Cramer—Worthy Matron
- M. D. Abercrombie—Worthy Patron
- Marie Olson—Associate Matron
- Allie L. White—Secretary
- Emma J. Miller—Treasurer
- Ella Mertz—Conductress
- Ethel Chessman—Asso. Cond.
- Mrs. Geo. Bell—Chaplain
- Jennie Kuegemann—Marshal
- Mrs. C. A. Carlson—Ada
- Ruth Gregory—Ruth
- Mrs. A. F. Brevillier—Esther
- Mrs. M. D. Abercrombie—Martha
- Mrs. Harry Bruns—Electa
- Mrs. John Brown—Warder
- E. F. Hecht—Sentinel
- Frank Hawkins—Electrician
- Ether Klein—Pianist

FAIRVIEW AVENUE INSTEAD OF EAST GROVE AFTER JAN. 1

After January 1 no more will the trainmen on "Q" suburban trains go through the coaches shouting, "East Grove the next station." A general order has been issued by the railroad that after the first of the year the station will be changed to "Fairview Avenue, Downers Grove" and it will be called thus.

The change is made at the request of the Village Council which several months ago asked the management to make it conform to what it really is, the Fairview avenue station of Downers Grove, the East Grove automatically going out when that part of the village was taken in the limits.

NEW YEAR'S CALLS

From old Dutch times to the middle of the Nineteenth century New Year's day in many American cities was devoted to the universal interchange of visits. Every door was thrown open and it was a breach of etiquette to omit any acquaintance in the annual calls, when old friendships were renewed and family differences amicably settled.

NEW YEAR GIFTS

The custom of giving and receiving gifts on New Year day, which originated in Rome, still survives in France and Scotland, although in most countries the exchange of gifts at Christmas has taken its place.

WHAT SHALL WE WRITE?

What shall we write on the fair new year cards? Can we not make it a record of golden deeds?—Youth's Companion.

Thought for the Day. The fellow who is fired with enthusiasm for his work is seldom fired by his boss.

"THAT'S ME"—BUD

Dear Rabble: Listen old thing, you'll have to postpone that play until the following week if you want to have me at that play you fellows are going to give for the benefit of the High School as I can't make it the week you have set as your dates of presentation. Thanks, I know you would because it wouldn't be quite fair to let me out in the cold like that, now, would it? However, if your august presence finds it impossible to do the same, kindly see that it is put in the movies as I must see it.

You know I most liked to die when I read about some of the fellows in the cast. It sure is going to be a knockout. Once Frank Waples and I couldn't get dates for a big party so we decided to go together, he being the girl. Boy he sure was the gnat's shoulder pads though. He was so nice I wanted to kiss him when we left each other but there really wasn't any kick in that. Remember when he used to say "What's it all about?" and then say "Oui, them nose and that eyes." He sure has got them and should wiggle a mean feminine role in the play and with Kelly hitting on all four as his lover—hot dog, old dear, they should be worth going as far as I am, to see them putting on a party. If this fellow Sanders is the same Canook I heard over in France several times he's a lala baluza. I heard this bird do some stunts in several different camps over the briny ocean and he sure made war the opposite from what Sherman said about it. As a singer he sure peddles a mean larynx to say the least. I happen to know a friend of Bill Luthin's and was telling him about the show and Bill taking part. This lad is quite a singer and actor himself and what he said about Bill would take more reams of paper to print than the Tribune would use until I believe that Santy Claus sent me that shirt for Christmas. He says he saw, in some gazette, that Bill did the good act and played at Speedway Hospital for the boys and they called it a knockout. Take it from me old dear you have a cast that will make the big liners of New York look like a bunch of South Sea islanders. What I want to know is this—when is old man Ziegfeld going to hand you a wad for finding these guys who will portray those we call the fairer sex. However, I may add that a few of the Queens around dear old Downers will be hiding their countenances in shame after they see this boy Waples do the female stuff and as for Hammer I saw him in swimming once—he's the idol of my heart. Also be kind enuf to let poor Julian Eltinge get a new job before you ruin his reputation and thrust him into poverty.

I have rambled and sped along here as tho I really had something of extreme magnanimity to say but I feel better that's off my chest. Here's luck to the outfit and a success to the show altho you will not need it. Hit me with a line once in awhile.

BUD.

P. S. The high mogul just said that I could get away for the play because I wouldn't be worth a dime here if I didn't go. Get me a date with a Queen so I can see her turn red with envy!

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Estate of Charles Meadal, Deceased. The undersigned, having been appointed Administrator of the Estate of Charles Meadal, Deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of DuPage County, at the Court House in Wheaton, at the March Term, on the first Monday in March next, at which time all persons having claims against said Estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Dated this 11th day of November, A. D. 1922. Aaron Meadal, Administrator Bunge, Harbour & Schmidt, Attorneys.

HOW MANY HONEST PEOPLE HERE ASK McALLISTER & CO.

Lost Accounts Totalling \$800 Brings Request for "No Questions Asked" Payment.

Last December the store of H. E. McAllister & Co. was broken into and the store safe, containing the account books showing amounts due for purchases, taken from the store. The safe was found, empty, in the Des-Plaines river several weeks later.

On the books at the time was about \$800. People who owed this money have dropped in at various times and paid until \$300 was taken in on the old accounts. Now the store is asking how many honest people there are in the community. They are advertising this week that if the folks who owe them money will come into the store with the cash or send a check through the mails, their own figure on the amount will be taken and a receipt in full issued.

We wonder just how many people there are here honest enough to pay just debts when all evidence of amounts have disappeared.

One of the best parties of the year was that enjoyed by the Young People's Club of S. Andrew's church on Wednesday night when they were the guests of Mr and Mrs Geo J Swarts and the Rev. Hugh M. MacWhorter at the rectory in Franklin street. Progressive games were played, Ballard Waples and Miss Irene Bryan winning the prizes.



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TICKET SALE SOON FOR SIG'S MUSICAL COMEDY

Show to be Given February 5, 6 and 7 for High School is the Finest Ever.

Tickets for Alpha Sigma Beta's musical comedy to be given February 5, 6 and 7 at the Curtiss Theatre will be on sale very shortly at several of the local stores and among the members of the fraternity.

Raymond Schultz, manager of the show, recently said that arrangements are under way to take care of the largest audiences that have ever witnessed a show in Downers Grove and that steps will be taken to see that everyone is given an opportunity to see the show and at the same time show that they want to aid, in a meager way in the advancement of the local high school. No one can afford to miss an opportunity of seeing a production of local talent, a splendid story which is filled with sharp and unstinted wit and embraces a display of acting that is superb.

The entire cast and chorus started Tuesday night on the last month's grind for the production and will be in nightly sessions from now until the time of presentation. One can readily see that the acting of those taking female roles will have to be of a high quality in order to eliminate the inherent awkwardness of the male interpreters.

In Frank Waples, Director John R. King has one of the best prospects he has ever had to work with. "Wap" as he is commonly called is filling the role of Pauline, the gracious, lovely and ever true lover, in a manner that will mark him as an actor of great ability. His poise, voice and actions are so vastly becoming those of a woman that the Waples family have announced that they are going to change Frank's name to Frances or Pauline. It takes all the ability Karl Kellogg, who plays opposite Frank, as Allan Smith, to keep up with the lovers tricks that Frank produces.

Do you crave something different? Would you like to hear something out of the ordinary—see something that is rare and feel that you had spent your time to advantage? Come and listen to something that is entertaining as well as profitable. The Glee Club from Northwestern University, Evanston, will entertain you on Thursday evening, January 11th. Be one of the favored.

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