

**THE MUSICAL INSTITUTE.**

The graduating exercises of the American Institute of Normal Methods was held last evening in the Drill Hall of the Military Academy. Evidently the managers had planned for a few dozen spectators, but they came by scores, till it seemed there would be no end of bringing in chairs.

About 8:20 the procession of management, faculty and class enter amid general applause and took their places on and about the platform. After an opening selection from Gaul and prayer the regular program was rendered without any calling of numbers by Prof. Russell, a very simple feature, but it added much to the beauty of the exercises. There were eight numbers on the program, three of which were solos, besides the prize essay on Teaching Music by rote, in our public schools, by Miss Margaret R. Smith of Sioux Falls, So. Dakota. The management give a solid gold prize, of \$50 value to some post-graduate, the best essayist, on a topic given out a year in advance. Heretofore the prizes have gone to the pupils of the eastern school and this being the first one to come west, Miss Smith was heartily congratulated for putting this section of the country to the front. The essay was carefully prepared, showed much thought and a familiar knowledge of her subject and our wonder was that anyone should hold opposite views. The medal of course is a beautiful work of art.

The singing was very fine; it seemed to us more perfect than any previous year. The graduates had a very pretty class song, after which Mr. Elmer Silver of Boston briefly set forth the idea of the Institute, and its work and then with a choice address presented the diplomas to a class of eight. The members of this institute are not a lot of "sweet sixteen" school girls, like our graduates, but young women of mature character and large experience in their work.

Prof. Emory P. Russell, the general superintendent of Providence, R. I., and Prof. Joseph Mischka conducted the exercises. Prof. Russell has been here several years and is highly esteemed and is regarded as the right man for the place. One of our citizens, in behalf of Highland Park thanked the school for coming here and invited them to come again, which was received with cheers. After the exercises were over the expectant class of '09 gathered in large numbers in one corner of the room and gave the class yell with a vim, while everybody went forward to congratulate the faculty, Miss Smith and the class of '98. The hall was neatly arrayed and draped and decorated for the evening. One of Chase's elegant upright pianos was used, as has been all through the term.

We look forward with pleasure, as do multitudes of our people, to the return of the school next year, albeit we see but little of them anywhere, save at the Academy where they all live a most delightful family life, the few weeks of their stay in our city.

The News wishes to call attention to the Sheridan Park program for Saturday and next week. Mlle. Carmencella in her rare and striking role, as described in announcement, alone is worth many times the admission price charged. She has a world-wide reputation and last winter performed in entertainments given by the Marquette club, Chicago. Also a Lumiere Cinematograph with its wonderful moving pictures of war scenes and other interesting subjects has been engaged for the week. This will be a first-class, clean and refined entertainment, gotten up at great expense, and should be liberally patronized. Gook music will be in attendance throughout the week, a band having been engaged.

**NEWSLETS.**

Mrs. William Morgan is staying at the Maples.

Miss Debroa White is visiting Miss Caroline Shields.

Batterick's Patterns for sale at Miss Erskine's.

Sweet Lutter (no salt) can be had at Allen's Dairy.

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J. R. McQuiston has gone to Europe. He left Tuesday.

Miss Jennie Chandler gives a luncheon to friends this afternoon.

Mrs. W. M. Downs and Mrs. W. S. Downs called on friends Sunday.

Miss Pearl Powers and Mrs. Stedman leave today for Idaho on a visit to Mrs. Stedman's son.

Have you placed your order with Allen yet for creamery butter? If not you are making a mistake.

H. I. Morris and family returned this week after several weeks outing in Wisconsin and at Lake Bluff.

Miss Edith Fay, who has been visiting friends here, leaves today for Ravenswood on a visit to her sister, Mrs. W. M. Downs.

Colonel Davidson is off among the Hoosiers this week. Democrats are thick down there, Colonel; look out, they don't all drink cold water!

Now is the time to eat spring chickens; they are large and fat and Allen is selling his choice stock at 15 c. lb. dressed fresh to order and delivered at any time. P. O. box 40.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Erskine have returned from their two months trip in Europe, bronzed by the sea voyage and toned up in health, besides having had a delightful journey.

Evans Bros. furnished the entire furnishings of Sheridan Park amounting to over \$1,000. Less than 48 hours elapsed between the time the order was given and the goods delivered.

The Misses Stella and Louise Finney invited a few friends to their home last Wednesday evening to meet visiting friends, Misses Bean and Russell of Waukegan and Jacksonville.

The resident Daughters of the Revolution went to Waukegan yesterday and were very handsomely entertained by an aged member of the order up there. We hope for further particulars.

The bids for lots of county supplies were opened this morning at 10 o'clock in the office of W. F. Hogan, the assistant supervisor of Deerfield. Among other things called for were 20 tons of small egg and 40 tons of range coal, 50 barrels of flour, etc.

Muriel Boulton gave a birthday party last week Thursday: Eleanor Brown had one Saturday. As the weather was fine, the little hostesses and their guests full of life and their mothers and elder sisters alert and attentive, everybody had a delightful time. How sweet and beautiful is the life of happy childhood.

Someone asked us the other day why we opposed Mr. McKenzie as candidate for County Superintendent of schools. We are not opposed to him. The man we like personally; we believe him well qualified for the place, deserving of such recognition etc. But here are the facts: this town cannot get two county offices; it is entitled to one. To set out and fight for the two, will be to lose both—that what some people are pushing Mr. McKenzie for? Mr. Fletcher, who is in the field for sheriff, is and has been all his life a "wheel horse" in the Republican party. Mr. McKenzie is a new recruit, but a good one. Mr. Fletcher is somewhat along in years, Mr. McKenzie is a young man. Is the party likely to throw overboard an old stand-by like Mr. Fletcher for a young man and a new party recruit. All political principle and usage says, "No;" that's all.



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**HIGHWOOD AND FORT SHERIDAN.**

Clauder's famous band favored the first loop, Fort Sheridan, with a concert this morning. The introduction was "Stars and Stripes." A large number of citizens of Highland Park and Lake Forest attended who made the parade ground look natural once more. It was a treat which was appreciated.

Miss Mabel Appleton, of Lake Forest, is the guest of Miss Mde Welch.

An Ice Cream and Cake Social will be held at the M. E. Church August 18. A good time is expected.

Among those who returned from Santiago this week are: Lieut.-Col. Bainbridge, retired; Serg. Lehmkuhl, discharged; Privates Becker and Hencler. The boys tell some thrilling stories about the angry powder they have smelt and look tired and worn out.

A thing worth doing is worth doing well. We always put the finest workmanship on our photos. Hartwell Studio, near Fort Sheridan.

While out riding the other evening, John Condon had his neck "slightly" injured.

Olaf Iverson, wife and mother, have moved to Edgewater where they intend making their home.

The Misses Thompson and Johnson are visiting their cousin, Miss Lillie Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Voligny have moved to Windsor, Canada.

Thos. Breakwell, of New Orleans, is visiting relatives in Highwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Refven of Chicago, who have been in Europe for some time, are now living in Mrs. Stensohn's house.

The semi-annual meeting of the 13th district I. O. G. T. lodge will be held in Highwood in the Good Templar's Hall.

While Mrs. Sweeney and her two daughters were driving through Highwood yesterday, their vehicle collided with that of Joe Seigel's damaging the rig badly. The ladies escaped with small injury.

Capt. McCarthy, Q. M., is home this week from Chicamauga, and is slightly under the weather.

Thursday was pay day at the range and Post and was the largest in some time, as the officers were also paid.

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