

Mr. A. C. Morgan visited Minneapolis on Decoration Day.

Miss Electa Smith of California is visiting friends in the Park.

Mr. H. E. Schwarz spent Decoration Day in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Fischer and daughter, Pearl, have returned from an extended trip to California.

Mr. Mack Baker is rustling among the beautiful lakes of Wisconsin, where his brother Charles gets that clear water.

The ladies of the Baptist church held a quilting bee at the church Wednesday. Lunch was served and a pleasant time is reported.

Rev. Gingrich, who has been on a three weeks' vacation at his home in Allen Town, Pa., is expected to occupy his pulpit at the Ebenezer church tomorrow.

Rev. and Mrs. Woodring of the Evangelical church, at the corner of Robey and Adams streets, Chicago, were the guests of Rev. and Mrs. A. Haelele, Monday.

Mrs. S. W. James, accompanied by her niece, Miss Friend, who has been her guest for some time, left Thursday morning on a visit to the latter's home in Dayton, Ohio.

The many friends of Mr. H. Rubens and family, former residents, will be delighted to hear of their return to the Park for the summer. They will occupy the Campbell house down in the 'pocket'.

Mr. Frank Burnham, the architect who is building Mr. Schultz's house on Sheridan Road, has drawn a very attractive design for the school house to be built in District No. 5 and presented it to the school board with his compliments.

The Highland Park Choral Society has just closed a very pleasant and profitable year. The plans for the coming year's work have been largely made. The rehearsals will be held at the residence of Mrs. Jones on Monday evenings, beginning October 16, 1899. The first concert to be given in January 1900 will consist of numbers from The Messiah. Miss Wykoff, the successful director of the past two seasons, will again conduct the rehearsals.

Miss Jennie Searles of Chicago is visiting with her cousin, Mrs. Ed Laing.

The heavy rains have done considerable damage to the approaches of several team and foot bridges.

The Madam Taylor Catering company of Evanston contemplate establishing a branch of their business in the Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Howe returned last week from a two months visit to England. They report a pleasant trip.

Wednesday the mission band of the United Evangelical church held its yearly meeting. The ladies of the W. M. S. served a lunch.

On account of the drains on Deerfield avenue being clogged many of the cellars on the west side were flooded during the recent heavy rains.

Marshal Leesch has changed his residence from West Laurel to St. Johns avenue. He occupies the J. Middleton house opposite the Robertson lumber yard.

Mr. Henry K. Coale addressed the young ladies of Kemper Hall, Kenosha, on Monday evening on the summer birds of the North Shore and the rambles of a naturalist in Arizona, New Mexico and the Southwest.

Last Thursday Officer John P. Klein was called to Indiana on account of the serious illness of a brother, who is not expected to live. This is Mr. Klein's first vacation in six years. George McFadden is on duty in his place.

Alexander Laing has secured the contract from the C. & N. W. Ry. for furnishing 8000 cubic yards of gravel which the above corporation will use to fill in when they remove the side tracks from their present location to the new one north of Central avenue.

Mr. H. F. Evans, who is attending college at Hamilton, N. Y., expects to return to the Park for the summer vacation in about three weeks. He writes to his father, Mr. R. G. Evans, of a pleasant bicycle trip of fifty miles across the country to Trenton Falls, N. Y., where he spent the spring vacation.

Miss Cheney has returned from an extended trip through the south.

Miss Alice Bean of Waukegan visited with friends here Thursday.

Fred Perriman has gone to Maywood, where he has secured a position.

Miss Lillian Russell has secured the position of assistant teacher at the Lincoln avenue school.

Mrs. Wm. Fitch and son Harold of La Salle, Ill., have been spending the week with Mrs. Maerklin.

Marshal Leesch informs THE NEWS-LETTER that he intends to enforce the bicycle ordinance in regard to riding on the sidewalks.

Mr. George T. McFadden has purchased a lot on Bloom street, east of the home of Mr. Allen Clampitt, where he will erect a residence.

Mrs. Carrie Dorothy entertained a number of friends from Ravenswood and Chicago Decoration day, who came out to visit her on their wheels.

A curious phenomenon was that witnessed by Supt. Laing of the water works the other day when the water in the lake rose two and one half feet in about a half hour. Mr. Laing ascribes it to the wind. It is a very unusual and remarkable occurrence.

In spite of storm and rain the Presbyterian church was filled with an interested audience last Sabbath morning to attend the memorial services. The cadets from the Military Academy were out in full dress uniform, as were a number of soldiers from Fort Sheridan and the local post of the G. A. R. The church was beautifully decorated with flags and flowers—the artistic work of Mr. M. Hodson—The quartett sang appropriately and impressively and the pastor, the Rev. A. A. Pfanstiehl, preached on the subject "What makes for the highest National good?" Slowly the ranks of the G. A. R. are thinning out, their steps are slowing and soon what they and the people did a few days ago for their comrades—laying a tribute of loving, grateful memory upon their graves—will soon be done by others for them.

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