

THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S FOUNTAIN.

The Young People's Humane Society, of Highland Park, is a children's club, formed for the protection of animals, from cruelty, and the protection of their welfare and comfort.

The Society had its origin in visits which a certain small boy and a certain young woman, twice the small boy's size, had together on the Northwestern trains, on the streets, during tramps in the woods and at the young woman's home, where like the celebrated Walrus and the Carpenter, they were wont

"To talk of many things;

Of shoes and ships and sealing wax,
And cabbages and kings."

One day they discovered another bond of sympathy in their mutual love for animals, and had a nice, long talk about the Rights and Wrongs of their four-footed town creatures. The small boy was told of the Illinois Humane Society and the interesting work it was doing in protecting little children and dumb animals from neglect and abuse.

The knowledge, that poor little children, sometimes cruelly worked, starved and beaten, and helpless dumb animals, subjected to barbarous abuse, had legalized rights and could be rescued and protected from ill-treatment, made an instant appeal to the justice-loving small boy. The idea that there was a strong arm of the Law that would reach out and gather up these unfortunate, little children and animals when there were no loving human arms to enfold them or care for them, was a comforting thought which the small boy cherished in his heart and communicated to some of his school friends.

When he paid his next visit to his grown up friend, he brought three other small boys with him and the suggestion that they start a humane society. The suggestion was as welcome as were the boys and it was quickly arranged that more children should be invited to join them in carrying out their plans.

A week later a little group of boys gathered together. The meeting was called to order, its purpose explained, a chairman and secretary pro tem elected, a resolution to form a society, to be known as the Young People's Humane Society of Highland Park, adopted, and officers for the next six months elected. A committee was appointed to draft the constitution and by-laws, which were adopted at a subsequent meeting. Buttons, bearing a maltese cross, outlined in cadet blue, and lettered Y. P. H. S. of Highland Park, were planned and adopted as the badge of the club. The first officers were as follows:

President, Arthur Dorsey; vice-president, Alex. Doty; second vice-president, Joy Bournique; treasurer, Dana Sweetland, and secretary, Clarence Mac Nanly.

The "small boy" being the first president, and Miss Rowena Bastin being the first, and for some time, the only girl member.

The membership list, at present, includes the following names:

Sture Nelson, Clarence MacNanly, Joy Bournique, Arthur Dorsey, Leigh Bittin-

ger, Alec Doty, Fairchild Doty, Billy Cregier, Murry Moon, Leonard Wolcott, Mark Byers, Dana Sweetland, Rowena Beardsley Bastin, Helen Bournique, Margaret Wilhelm, Margaret Mac Mahon, Dorothy Bastin, Ruth Beardsley, Elizabeth Schumacher, Ruth E. Helms and Katherine Schumacher.

The present officers of the club are: President, Leigh Bittinger; vice-president, Clarence MacNanly; secretary, Ruth Beardsley; treasurer, Joy Bournique.

The society holds meetings every other Thursday, at 3 o'clock p. m. It has as its chief object, at the present time, the erection of a drinking fountain, which shall minister to the wants of man and beast and gladden and comfort every passing, thirsty creature.

The accompanying picture shows the fountain the children are planning to erect. It is simple in design and construction, economical, serviceable and thoroughly practical in every way. It is equipped with an aluminum drinking cup, which is stationary, two tin cups fastened by a chain, and brass rods and strainers. The Illinois Humane Society owns the pattern from which these fountains are made and furnishes them at the cost price of casting. The cost of the casting and equipment amounts to \$55.00, and the erection and putting in commission of the fountain costs \$60.00 more, making the entire cost of installing the fountain \$125.00. This sum includes the brick masons' and plumbers' bills. A mason's services are required in digging a pit, four feet deep (4 ft. by 4 ft. 6 in., inside measurements), and building walls around this pit of hard burned sewer brick, eight inches thick, laid in Portland cement; the top of the pit being covered with two-inch plank and finished with six-inch concrete; an opening being made into the pit, twenty inches in diameter, which is covered with and iron frame and lid. A plumber makes the necessary pipe connections, the pipes leading to and from the fountain being controlled by stop and waste cocks, a stop cock to be used solely for regulating the flow of water into the



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fountain, and the stop and waste cock for shutting off the water during the freezing weather.

The children have selected the place immediately in front of the City Hall, as their chosen spot for the placement of their fountain. They are confident of interesting the Mayor and the Council, as they already have interested the Police Magistrate, the Town Marshal and the Editor of the North Shore News Letter. To Mr. Dorsey, Mr. Nelson and Mr. Burgess, the children are greatly indebted for sympathetic and practical help, as well as to many generous townspeople who are making contributions to the Fountain Fund.

The earnestness and deep sincerity of these little people in their undertaking, as evidenced by their self-imposed willingness to deny themselves personal pleasure, for the sake of putting their money into a fund for the comfort of others, has been the means of saving many pennies. The children have practiced self-denial, and selfishness is supreme service. Theirs is a good example for emulation, by other children of other places.

Thanks to their stout hearts and their kind friends, the money will soon be raised and the fountain a reality—a living entity and monument of love and usefulness.

RUTH EWING.

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Notice is hereby given to all persons interested that the City Council of the City of Highland Park, County of Lake and State of Illinois, having ordered that a concrete cement sidewalk be constructed and laid in, upon and along the westerly side of Sheridan Road, formerly known as Highland Avenue, from the southerly line of Beech Street, thence southerly along said Sheridan Road to the northerly line of Cedar Avenue, in front of lots one to seventeen, both inclusive, in Block eighty-two (82) in said City of Highland Park, the ordinance for the same being on file in the office of the City Clerk of said City, and having applied to the County Court of Lake County for an assessment of the costs of said improvement according to benefits, and an assessment thereof having been made and returned to said Court, the final hearing thereon will be had on the 16th day of September, A. D., 1907, or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will permit.

Said assessment is payable in five (5) installments with interest at the rate of five (5) per centum per annum, on all installments, from and after date of first voucher. All persons desiring, may file objections in said court before said day, and may appear on the hearing and make their defense.

CHARLES L. FINNEY,

Officer appointed to make said assessment.

Dated at Highland Park, Illinois, August 31, A. D., 1907.

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