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SATURDAY, MAY 26, 1908

A demonstration of fire extinguishing apparatus will be made at the Moraine hotel on Monday at noon. The Highland Park fire brigade will be on hand. Such exhibitions of prompt provision against danger are of great interest, and manager Cushing invites the citizens to be present on Monday.

THE GLORIOUS FOURTH

Several times lately we have urged that some preparation should be made for the Nation's Birthday celebration. We are rapidly nearing the time when it will be too late for any adequate provisions for this year. If we read aright the mind of the people the only reason why nothing is done from year to year is simply that it is neglected until it is too late.

Right now is the time of preparation. Suppose a program something like this: Joint meeting of Glencoe, Highland Park and Lake Forest at Ravinia Park at 10:30, Speech by biggest man in sight, Music by best band available, Recitals of five minutes each by School pupils. Sports in the afternoon—

Base ball match
Athletics, Races
Walking match
Races for youngsters
Evening—Fireworks.

This is only a suggestion; the fertile minds of a dozen men might greatly enlarge this outline. But if anything is to be done, do it now!

RAVINIA PARK

It has not yet been definitely announced that the required contribution for the purchase of Ravinia Park, in its original purpose and integrity, to North Shore people.

We cannot believe however that the wealthy residents of this splendid strip of country will let the occasion go by default for the sake of a few thousand dollars.

It would be a permanent blot upon the North Shore map to have the delightful resort converted into a babel of discordant stunts.

We have heard the sweet music of the famous Damrosch and Thomas symphonies, we have seen the refined and elevating

work of such artists as the Donald Robertson company and we have revelled in the Midsummer Nights Dream amid natural scenery with the Greet Brothers. To have all this give place to a sort of Coney Island would be a disgrace.

Why could we not add to other attractions a great sacred Concert on Sunday afternoons, with possibly a preacher of oratorical power. This is a gratis suggestion to the Churches along the line.

LATER—As we go to press it is announced that the necessary amount to secure the park to its legitimate uses is almost all in sight. We congratulate the promoters of the fund, and hope their efforts will be more than justified by the results.

HOW IT WAS DONE

HE EARNED HIS DOLLAR AND

The ten horse-power gas engine suddenly went on a strike. For some reason, not easily explained its big piston refused to do duty and the whole works stopped.

Did you ever see a Miehle cylinder press? Some of them have several decks and work off many thousands of papers per hour.

This one has but one deck but it is a big number 000 Cylinder and it will carry a sheet 48 by 56 inches and print 2000 per hour when at full speed. It requires a four or five horse-power engine to work it. But when the engine turned muleish and refused to do its work, what was to be done?

It was Wednesday, and on Friday night the paper is supposed to be in the mail. Every possible thing was done that the invention of local engine fitters could think of including the ingenious alderman of the second ward. Then the telephone was employed and an expert was brought out from Chicago. The rebellious iron steed was in his care for ten hours and yet it would not budge a foot.

Finally, publication day was nearly past. What was to be done?

A brilliant mind conceived the idea of a crank attached to a small fly-wheel which makes about two hundred revolutions a second

argued the genius, "even if the movement is slow yet it would accomplish the needed work." So let the reader imagine, an eight page

paper ready to print, and made by hand of any Samson who would have courage to handle it. It takes just twelve revolutions of that wheel to make one print or, for one thousand prints twelve thousand revolutions. Various brave ones attacked it only to beat a hasty retreat. "I'll give you a dollar to turn that crank an hour" was the offer to a new comer. "I'll take you" and he took.

After a vigorous attack of fifteen minutes the man fell back puffing and sweating—defeated. But he

was gritty; relieved by other hands he tried again and with half a dozen men, alternating at the crank, more than half the thousand papers were actually printed.

At 10:30 P. M. the managing Editor who had shared a little of the crank process wearily called a halt and the whole force including the printer's "devil" who by the way proved to be a hero, left, to return again in the morning to finish the task. If the manager of the Miehle Press Manufacturing Co. sees this he will declare it is all fiction, but the Editor vouches for it as absolute truth that two whole editions were worked off by hand on the No. 000 Miehle cylinder press. The trouble is over now, for a competent full power motor is turning the fly-

might gratify even an auto scorer.

Our Outlook

THE NEW STATE SPEAKS

Though but recently born into Uncle Sam's family of States, Oklahoma does not seem inclined to remain long handicapped with political swaddling clothes so long meekly worn by all the other states. Governor Haskell recently appointed the seventh of this month a holiday and urged the people of the state to hold meetings and adopt resolutions asking the United States Congress to pass legislation permitting the people by direct vote to elect their United States Senators. It is reported that the Governor's suggestion was generally followed. It is only a question of time when the people of the older states will demand the same privilege of voting direct for United States Senators.

BIBLE AND COUNTRY

Professor Thomas Davidson so long and favorably known as a scholar, an educator and a distinguished writer closed his work on "The Education of the Greek People" with this statement. "So much for the merits of Greek education. Its defects are all summed up in one; by substituting philosophy for religion; by cultivating unduly the abstract reason, which is the ~~opium of the farmer and~~ ^{opium of the farmer and} ~~imagine the~~ supernatural sense which is the condition of the latter; by placing the supreme activity of man in intellectual vision, instead of in moral life guided by vision,

self in living relation to the supreme principle of that moral freedom which is the chief end of man. In consequence, Greece not only perished herself but she left an example by following which other nations have perished—yea, and other nations will yet perish, unless, warned by her fate, they make all education culminate in the culture of the spiritual sense which reveals God, and so place religion on the throne that belongs to her as the guide and inspiration of life. Thus as Christianity without Hellenism sinks into barbarism so Hellenism without Christianity leads to destruction. Only when united as human-

ity and divinity, do they lead to freedom." It is from that book which we call the Bible, that we get our conceptions of Christianity. The whole educational system of this country was founded on the Bible. The Bible must continue to be a fundamental factor in our educational institutions, public as well as private.—B.C.

A GREAT EVENT

History affords no parallel to the great Conference held this week at the White House. Never before has there been a nation having a President chosen by the people and 46 States, each having a Governor, also chosen by the people.

The Conference of these Governors, at the invitation of the President, at the National capital was therefore the most unique and truly democratic National conference ever held.

In addition to these elected heads of

other representatives of various fields of thought and action were present.

And this gathering was not for the purpose of parade or feast, but for the nobler purpose of considering the conservation and development of our natural resources

As President Roosevelt said in his opening address to the assembly:

"With the Governors come men from each state chosen for their special acquaintance with the terms of the problem that is before us. Among them are experts in natural resources; the senators and Representatives in Congress, the Supreme Court, the Cabinet and the Inland waterways Commission have likewise been invited to the Conference which is therefore national in a sense. This Conference on the conservation of natural resources is in effect a meeting of the representatives of all the people of the United States called to consider the weightiest problem now before the nation and the occasion for the meeting lies in the fact that the natural resources of our country are in danger of exhaustion if we permit the old wasteful method of exploiting them longer to continue."

SPECTACULAR GATHERING

The spectacle of 500 of the most notable figures in this nation gathered from every state in the Union to consider the interest of the whole, with no other function than that of conferring in a friendly way was in itself most impressive, and needed no pomp or material splendor to give it character. When the old man eloquent, the versatile and gifted Edward Everett Hale, chaplain of the Senate rose to read of the promised land from the grand old Book; when with heart and voice uplifted he invoked the benediction of the Divine Father upon the deliberations of the assembled host, President, Cabinet

judges of the Supreme Court, distinguished Jurists, Senators, Representatives and orators joined in the brief services of worship which marked the fact that essentially this is a religious nation in spite of the materialism and differences which are developed by so many.

THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH

The speech of Mr. Roosevelt was worthy of the occasion. It was a fitting note of warning that our resources are in process of exhaustion while we are doing little either to conserve them or to reproduce them. That was a keynote to the whole speech when the President