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First United Evangelical Church.

The pastor will preach Sabbath morning on the subject of "Pentecost, the Church's Heritage"

In the evening the Mission Band will give their annual program, which will prove interesting, and all are invited to attend these services.

The old John V. Hair residence that stood on the Railroad Men's home grounds on Beach street, is being torn down. All the men being quartered in their beautiful new home.

Fletcher Seymour's new house which replaces the burned one is nearing completion.

Mr and Mrs. Gordon Hatley are living in the Park for the summer.

Mr. A. L. Moore of Ravine avenue, has rented his house for the summer months to L. Mandel of Mandel Bros., Chicago.

Miss Grace Mihills who is training at Michael Reese hospital, Chicago, spent Sunday with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Mihills of Forest avenue.

Don't fail to call on Mr. Dale Sweetland our west side druggist when in need of anything in his line, and don't by any means forget to try Thompson Ried's Ice Cream

Lyman Prior gave a recital at the Music school of Northwestern University, Evanston, on Friday evening. He was assisted by Miss Irene Carroll, pianist. Mr. Prior graduates from the school of music this year.

Mr. M. A. Mihills is in New York on a business trip.

The fine two story store and flat building to be erected on the site will make a great addition to our business section.

The many friends of Helen Hill will be glad to hear that she is successfully recovering from her recent illness. Mrs. Hill and Helen expects to return to the Park in the near future.

By the way, are you in need of a pair shoes or would you like your old ones half-soled, if so, call on Mr. John Kline 1st door east of Erskine's Bank.

Curtis N. Kimball has bought the old Fairview subdivision west of Green Bay road adjoining the present Kimball estate.

The bridge club met on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Prindville on East Laurel avenue.

Mrs. George B. Cummings entertained several friends on Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Helen Cody of Oak Park, was the guest of her cousin, Miss Mary Sedgwick on Sunday.

Mrs. Lamborn of North Sheridan road, is in British Columbia for several weeks.

SPEECH ON TEMPERANCE.

BY REV. J. N. HULME, M. D.

Ye friends of moderation, who think a reformation, Or moral renovation, would benefit our nation; Who deem intoxication, with all its dissipation, In every rank and station, the cause of degradation, Of which your observation, gives daily demonstration Who see the ruin, distress, and desolation, The open violation of moral obligation, The wretched habitation without accommodation, Or any regulation for common sustentation, A scene of deprivation, unequalled in creation;— The frequent desecration of Sabbath ordination— The crime and depredation, defying legislation— The awful profanation of common conversation— The mental aberration and dire infatuation, With every sad gradation, to maniac desperation.

Ye who, with consternation, behold this devastation, And utter condemnation, on all inebriation, Why sanction its duration? or show disapprobation Of any combination for its extermination?

We deem a declaration that offers no temptation By any palliation of its abomination, The only sure foundation for its utter extirpation: And under this persuasion, hold no communication With noxious emanation of brewer's fermentation, Or poisonous preparation of spirit's distillation, Nor any vain libation producing stimulation.

To this determination, we call consideration; And without hesitation, invite co-operation; Not doubting imitation will raise your estimation, And, by continuation, afford you consolation: For, in participation with its association, You may, by meditation, insure the preservation Of a future generation from all contamination.

And may each indication of such regeneration, Be the theme of exultation, till its final consummation.

BRIDGE FALLS WITH PARENTS VIEW WORK ROAR

Highland Park Structure Collapses Just as Wagon Clears it

With a crash that was heard for almost a mile a wooden bridge across the ravine on Sheridan road, Highland Park, near the county line collapsed Wednesday afternoon. A wagon heavily loaded with lumber had crossed the bridge when without warning it gave way. The noise made by the collapse of the structure caused the horses to start back and the wagon narrowly escaped being thrown into the ravine. The bridge was probably one of the most used in the suburb. Traffic was severely handicapped by the falling of the bridge. Teamsters and automobiles have to make a detour of more than a mile now to cross the county line.

Mr. Peabody of Chicago, spent Sunday as the guest of Highland Park friends over the week end.

Miss Mildred Coale spent the week end as the guest of Miss Grace Johnson of Chicago.

Mrs. Laffer who has been seriously ill is much improved.

Mr. Stoker has sold his Bloom street house to Mr. White.

Don't go to Chicago to purchase your Dry Goods, Notions &c., when you can save care fare and a little over by dealing with Chas. Warren & Co.

The James Lane Allen cottage on Sheridan road was purchased by Mr. Montgomery who has moved into it.

The Faxon children who have been ill with scarlet fever, are better and are out of quarantine.

The cadets went to their camp the later part of the week.

Inspection Held in Schools

Work done by the pupils of the Elm Place Grammar School, was on inspection at a meeting of the Elm Place Division of the Parents and Teachers' Association held in the auditorium of the school yesterday evening. The meeting started at 7:30 o'clock and for one hour parents viewed the work done by their children during the year. After which there was a musical programme and exercises by the pupils. Professor Wm. B. Owen, head of the Chicago Normal School, was the principal speaker of the evening. His subject "Some Educational Problems."

The many friends of Miss Grace Howell were shocked to hear of her death last week. The funeral services were held at the home of her brother, Mr. Harry Howell of Wellington Place. Dr. P. C. Wolcott reading the service. The body was taken to Battle Creek, Michigan for burial.

Mrs. Frank B. Green had as her guests her sisters, Mrs. Frank Carlson and Dr. Freda Baker of Chicago and Evanston.

The Reliable Laundry, it is hardly worth while for us to pass any remarks in regard to this firm, as it has the name of doing the very best of work.

Col. H. P. Davidson's artistic new home on Ravine avenue, is completed and Col. Davidson is moving into it.

Mr. C. E. Schaufler returned on Tuesday from Duluth where he has been on a business trip.

The managers of the General Electric company of Chicago, held their quarterly meeting at the Moraine Hotel several days this week.

Miss Edith Morrison of Baltimore, is the guest of her brother, Mr. Morrison and family of Lincoln Place.

MAYOR'S ANNUAL MESSAGE.

Highland Park, Ill., May 3, 1910.

TO THE HONORABLE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIGHLAND PARK AND TO MY FELLOW CITIZENS:

Perhaps the most important item of legislation enacted during the past year was the creation of the Department of Public Works. Although at the time of its creation it may have been regarded by some as an unnecessary venture from which the city would receive small benefit, it is now generally conceded to be an absolute necessity, indispensable to the growth and advancement of the city, and vitally important to the welfare of every citizen interested in its progress.

Highland Park is a progressive and a growing city. Rules of government formerly considered adequate are rapidly becoming inadequate and ineffectual. New and changing conditions demand the adoption of modern methods and the enactment of appropriate legislation, without which we cannot hope to maintain our position among the communities of our class. We should therefore welcome new suggestions in legislation, carefully selecting, however, only such changes as will best serve our own needs.

The vote upon the three bond issues submitted to the voters at the election of April 19, 1910, bespeaks the people's confidence in the honesty, integrity and ability of the officers to whom they have entrusted the management of their municipal affairs. We are grateful for this mark of appreciation and shall endeavor by our handling of these funds to merit its continuance.

With no intention of disparaging the achievements of any former council, but in a spirit of fairness and justice to the members of the council that has just adjourned, it is due them to say that the work accomplished during the past year will measure up well and compare favorably with that of any year that has preceded it. An examination of the reports of the City Clerk and Commissioner of Public Works will demonstrate the truth of this statement.

Former Mayors of the city in presenting their annual message to the Council have felt obliged to summarize the achievements of the year that has past. I do not regard it necessary to follow this custom further than briefly to outline the work performed by the different departments. The information now submitted will henceforth be supplied by the Commissioner of Public Works more fully and more accurately than it could be done. I want to assure the members of this Council that they need have no hesitancy in applying to that officer for any information they may desire.

Every one who cares to use common sense and reason will admit that the expenses of conducting any thriving and successful business must of necessity increase as the volume of business increases. This is no less applicable to the affairs of a growing city than it is to a private enterprise, and this truth should be driven home with emphasis whenever unfair comparisons designed to excite public prejudice are restored to.

At the beginning of last year the administration faced a difficult problem in the unsafe condition of a number of the city bridges. Realizing the danger of delay in such a matter the repair work was promptly taken up by the Street Department under the direction of the street and alley committee and with gratifying results. In the meantime no other work of that department was neglected. Dirt and refuse were removed from the streets and catchbasins, sidewalks were repaired, grass was cut in parks and parkways and all that could reasonably be expected was done.

We expect during the coming year to replace a number of old wooden bridges with new concrete structures and by continuing this plan the troublesome bridge problem will within a few years be solved for all time.

The beneficial results from the use of

Tarvia on our streets is everywhere manifest and we advocate and urge its use wherever and whenever possible. We also urge the building of wider roadways. Nor should any pavement be built without either a curb or a well made gutter.

In this connection we hail with unrestrained joy the recently organized Highland Park Improvement Association. While their principal object is to assist the city council in its work, we feel that it should reciprocate by assisting the city council in its work. The system of street sprinkling alone, which they propose to install, is deserving of the highest commendation and encouragement.

The Water Works Department has, as usual, handled its business in a highly satisfactory manner. Work on the new intake has been resumed and during the month of July. The constant demands upon this department have made it possible to supply water to the other side of the city with water, should awaken us to the necessity of additional improvements within any event most soon.

As soon as possible a larger provision should be made for a larger capacity of the well increased and a new pump should be installed. With these improvements completed our water supply will have reached a degree sufficient to meet all demand for many years to come. The nature of the water question receives our serious attention and should encourage this agitation and we earnestly hope that the single question so vital to the health and welfare of our people.

Our Fire Department, while lacking in necessary equipment, has responded to many calls and rendered much valuable service. Our needs should be installed as quickly as possible. Perhaps it would be desirable to purchase a chemical engine which would greatly increase the efficiency of the department. This proposal, I am sure, will receive approval and support of many spirited citizens.

To set forth the activities of the Sewer Department during the past year would require more space and more time than allotted to it. Briefly stated, the sewer district "F" is being pushed along to completion. The tank in district "A", which has been a source of complaint for some time, has been thoroughly overhauled and working satisfactorily. The other departments of Public Works are preparing to start a system of inspecting tanks at regular intervals. This will insure the proper maintenance of such tanks and will prevent the recurrence of similar complaints in the future.

The tank in district "C", for which bonds are to be issued, should be built at once. With the installation of all the sewerage of our city subjected to a purifying process before it enters the lake.

Of the Police Department it is only necessary to say that its members realize their duty to the public and have shown by their activity their willingness to perform their duty. One particular incident that stands out in their credit and deserves praise is the attempted robbery of the Erskine bank. That affair illustrates their sense of duty when performance of their duty is needed.

In the person of our present City Attorney we have a worthy successor to a lawyer and gentleman who for many years the light that has guided our destinies through many trials of security. And we may rest assured that the efficiency and dignity characterized our law department under Mr. Smoot will be continued in the present able attorney re-