

"LISTEN"

To purchase from the florist a box of beautiful Roses, Carnations or Chrysanthemums and enjoy them for a few hours is a great treat to be sure, but what is it compared with the pleasure of being able to gather a bunch of Larkspur, Iris, Peonias or Poppies from the Hardy Flower Border on your own grounds--there isn't any good reason why everybody in Highland Park shouldn't have a few of these Flowering Perennials--A fine lawn, stately trees and shrubbery, all of them are necessary to give the proper setting to the Home, but it takes Flowers to "cheer things up" and happy the man or woman who can find enough time out of this busy life of ours to work among them, to learn to know them by their names, to study their habits and requirements and care for them--there can be no greater recreation. More and more people realize this each year and beautiful Home grounds are the result, life is brighter and the North Shore a healthier and better place on account of it. How about your Home ground? Isn't there a spot we could transform into a flower border? They call on us to do this every day, somewhere--we are just kept busy offering suggestions and helping to beautify things. Next spring when nature begins to get restless, wouldn't you like to watch the first Crocuses unfold their yellow, blue and white petals, then there are the Tulips, Daffodils, Narcissus and the Hyacinths, a few days more and the first Peonias peep through the ground, then the Columbines and the Primroses. Are you missing all this and you say you live out in the country? Wake up, get busy, now is the time to prepare the soil and plant. Let's get together, whether you have five dollars or five hundred to spend, let's help you do it, get started right over phone 85.

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ILLINOIS PARAGRAPHS.

CHICAGO—If a common hound dog had not been stolen from Charles Boley, a farmer of Williamsfield, he probably would not have been fleeced by a confidence man out of \$20 here. Boley came to Chicago with a carload of cattle. He met a stranger at the railroad depot, who, by adroit questioning, learned the farmer's history from the cradle up. Among the things that Boley told him was the theft of his hound dog, which he thought was taken to Ft. Madison, Ia. The stranger said he was a particular friend of the sheriff at Fort Madison, and on his return there would institute a search of the whole state of Iowa if necessary to find Boley's hound dog. He borrowed \$20 of the farmer, who after thinking the matter over, decided he had met a "slicker."

BENTON—Adjutant General Dickson addressed a well attended joint conference of American citizens and leaders of the foreign colony here in an attempt to put an end to the animosity between them resulting from the murder of two American musicians by alien miners a week ago. The race riots which followed the double murder and were subsequently ended by a company of the Illinois state militia, threatened to break out again. To avert this Sheriff Vaughn, following the conference, selected a new force of deputies and ordered them to patrol the troublesome sections of the city day and night.

PONTIAC—John A. Caffif, who is the president of the board of managers of the Illinois State reformatory, accompanied by Mr. Cravenhurst, Democratic member of the board, arrived here, bearing a letter from Governor Dunne demanding the immediate resignation of Dr. James A. Marshall, the institution physician, which they presented to him.

They also bore credentials announcing the appointment of Dr. John Ross of Pontiac as temporary physician at the institution. Dr. Ross took up his new duties immediately.

SPRINGFIELD—James Fairlie, living in Des Moines, Ia., was appointed by Insurance Superintendent Potts as actuary of the state insurance department to succeed George Graham, Jr., who resigned to accept the position of actuary of the Missouri Life Insurance company of St. Louis. Mr. Fairlie is actuary of the Franklin Life Insurance company of this city. His name was certified to Mr. Potts by the state civil service commission. He ranked highest in the examination for actuary recently held by that body.

DANVILLE—Following a violent scuffle in Ha'nes' saloon, under the very shadow of Danville's dedicated court house, Ed Fowler, son of Henry Fowler, a farmer residing just across the Indiana state line, was found dying on the floor with a broken neck. Otis Riggles, formerly of Lafayette, was arrested as a witness, and the police are seeking Thomas Morgan, a Big Four switchman, who is accused of being the one who strong-armed Fowler.

CHAMPAIGN—President James of the University of Illinois, chairman of the Rhodes scholarship committee of Illinois, announces that a qualifying examination for all candidates for an Oxford Rhodes scholarship will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct. 14 and 15, 1913, at the Northwestern university building, Lake and Dearborn streets, Chicago.

JACKSONVILLE—The eighty-fourth year for famous Illinois college opened with the largest enrollment in its history. A new clubhouse, dormitory, and athletic field have been added since spring. Indications are that the college will have one of the best football teams among the fresh water colleges.

GALENA—Little Elmer von Allman, aged six, was the hero of a fire that destroyed the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. von Allman, together with its contents. Elmer rushed into the burning building and rescued his sister, aged three, and a baby brother, fifteen months old.

JOLIET—Although they were thrown through a barbed wire fence, having their clothes torn from them, when the automobile in which they were riding turned turtle near Wilmington, Harold Wolcott, former track captain at Beloit college, and Ray Puffer escaped serious injury.

SPRINGFIELD—The Illinois efficiency commission created by the last general assembly will elect Finley Bell of Chicago its secretary. Mr. Bell was recently elected secretary of the legislative reference bureau and will combine the two positions.

DANVILLE—Three small boys, three men and two little girls, were bitten by a large dog, evidently mad, which ran amuck through the city, and half the police force armed with guns are seeking the animal.

TAYLORVILLE, ILL.—Edward E. Sparr, a young electrician, was instantly killed at the big power plant at Kincaid by coming in contact with a high-tension wire.

GENERAL NEWS.

WASHINGTON—Very serious charges involving the right of Richard S. Whaley, Democratic member of congress from the first district of South Carolina to occupy his seat in the house, are embodied in a petition filed with Speaker Clark by John P. Grace, mayor of Charleston, S. C. Mayor Grace demands an investigation by a committee of the house. The federal publicity act limits to \$5,000 the amount that may be expended by a candidate for a seat in congress. The charge is made by Mayor Grace that Mr. Whaley in his campaign for the nomination expended \$60,000 in buying votes. Mayor Grace charges further that Whaley swore falsely in certifying to officers of the house that he expended less than \$5,000 in his campaign.

WASHINGTON—The name of Representative Martin D. Foster of Illinois was presented to the secretary of war for the position of governor of Porto Rico. Mr. Foster has the endorsement of the Illinois delegation and a number of other congressmen. He is now the only candidate for the place whose name has been presented formally. He is serving his fourth term as a member of congress in the Twenty-third Illinois district. He is one of five practicing physicians in the house and senate and is chairman of the house committee on mines and mining and a member of the committee on rules.

NEW YORK—The beginning of a suit for a million dollars damage by Mrs. Catherine Ketchum Blake against Mrs. Clarence A. Mackay for the alleged alienation of the affections of Dr. Joseph A. Blake has solved a series of mysteries which have puzzled New York society for many months. The sudden departure for Europe a short while ago of Clarence A. Mackay, the defendant's husband, with his children, and Mrs. Mackay's moving to Portland, Me., are among the most recent of the unusual happenings the suit is believed to explain.

WASHINGTON—The report of the interstate commerce commission putting the responsibility for the Wallingford wreck with its twenty-one fatalities squarely on the shoulders of the management and directors of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad, is the harshest finding ever handed down by that body. The report sets forth the names of the directors, beginning with William Rockefeller and J. P. Morgan and extending through a long list of men well known in the financial and railroad world.

SACRAMENTO, CAL.—All the additional charges against Maury I. Diggs and F. Drew Caminetti, convicted of white slavery, which have been pending in the courts here since their arrest, and the criminal charge of contributing to the delinquency of the minor children of Diggs and Caminetti which were pending against Lola Norris and Marsha Warrington were dismissed by Superior Judge Hughes and Township Justice Clark on the motion of the district attorney.

LONDON, ENGLAND—A dispatch to the Times from Peking confirms the report that the Japanese government has sent an ultimatum to China. "Ten Japanese warships," the dispatch adds, "crowded with marines, are awaiting the issue of the Yang-tze river. General Chang Hsun is credited with a willingness to apologize, but the demand that he parade his regiment before the Japanese consulate will be difficult of attainment."

CHICAGO—The representatives of Illinois banking interests are meeting in Chicago. More than 2,000 delegates to the annual convention of the Illinois Bankers' association arrived here or were on their way from cities of the state. The visitors represent more than 1,200 private, state and national banks, which in turn represent a banking capital of \$1,787,000,000.

NEW HAVEN, CONN.—Former President William Howard Taft formally assumed the duties of Kent professor of constitutional law when he met two classes of Yale seniors, one in the academic department and the other in the Yale law school, and lectured before them for the first time in their regular course.

WASHINGTON—An amicable agreement was reached on the Underwood-Simmons tariff bill by the conference committee of the senate and the house. On practically every detail of the bill, the conferees are now in accord except on the Clarke amendment taxing cotton futures.

ALBANY, N. Y.—The court of impeachment for the trial of Governor Sulzer unanimously voted in favor of admitting all testimony in reference to alleged campaign contributions received by the governor, whether specified in the articles of impeachment or not.

PEKIN—Japan has finally agreed to a compromise in regard to the affair at Nankin in which three Japanese were killed and an insult was offered to the Japanese flag. It will accept an apology from General Chang Hsun in modified form.

MOORESVILLE, IND.—As result of a quarrel here Robert McNaught was shot and killed by Town Marshal.

NEW TARIFF BILL

Measure Finally Adjusted by Conference Committee.

REPUBLICANS REFUSE TO SIGN

Underwood Presents the Conference Report to House—Senate Amendment Relating to Cotton Futures is Only Matter Left Unsettled—Important Alterations in Bill.

WASHINGTON—The conference report on the tariff bill, representing the final adjustment of disputes between the senate and house, was made public when the Democratic managers submitted it to the Republican colleagues in the senate alterations in the house bill stated.

After a brief discussion it was approved by the eight Democrats, but the six Republicans, who had taken no part in the conference deliberations, refused to sign it.

Majority leader Underwood presented the conference report as soon as the house met.

Important Alterations.—After the report is acted upon, said Mr. Underwood, "we expect to take up and act upon the senate's amendment relating to cotton futures, which is the only thing unsettled."

The report shows the following important alterations of the original Underwood house bill:

The 64% rate on incomes above \$75,000 was increased by a graduated scale from 3 per cent to 7 per cent, and the income tax exemption reduced from \$4,000 to \$3,000.

Articles added to the free list include pig iron, ferro manganese ore, cheap grades of iron, cattle and other food animals, wheat, flour, hemp, sugar refining machinery, school text books, and blast machinery, indigo dyes, photographic moving picture films, cement and asphalt.

Woolen Stockings, Gloves, Mittens.—A new classification for woolen stockings, gloves and mittens makes a reduction from the house rate on those valued at less than \$1.20 per dozen, and an increase on those above. Angora wool and articles made from it have a higher duty than in the house bill.

The house rate on silk ribbons and narrow fabrics was increased from 40 to 45 per cent.

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"ULSTER ARMY" PARADES

Marches Through Belfast Streets Carrying Dummy Rifles.

BELFAST, IRELAND—The great review of 11,000 Belfast volunteers belonging to the "Army of Ulster," by Sir Edward Carson, leader of the Irish Unionists party, attracted thousands of people from the surrounding districts and from every part of the province of Ulster.

Besides the four Belfast regiments, each of them commanded by a retired army officer or militia officer, the "Ulster" war staff, consisting of General Richard, two retired colonels and two retired captains, paraded. The volunteers were armed with dummy rifles, as the carrying of firearms by unlicensed persons is prohibited in the British Isles.

JOHN F. LACEY DEAD

Former Iowa Congressman Drops Life-les at His Home.

DECATUR, IOWA—Mal John F. Lacey, a former Iowa congressman for the Sixth congressional district, dropped dead from heart disease. Mr. Lacey fell dead at the doorway of his home after having returned from a trip downtown.

Major Lacey, who was prominent as a Union officer in the civil war, represented the Sixth Iowa district in congress from 1839 to 1867, being elected as a Republican.

OPEN TO ALL SCULPTORS

John P. Altgeld Memorial Competition Will Not Close till June.

CHICAGO—The John P. Altgeld Memorial commission has opened to all the sculptors of the country the competition for a suitable memorial to be erected to the late governor of Illinois. At the last session of the legislature \$25,000 was appropriated for the memorial.

The competition will close next June and all plans will be received by Senator Johan Waage, secretary of the commission.

Human Nature.

Tell a man that there are 270,109,325,481 stars and he will believe you. But if a sign says Fresh Paint, he has to make a personal investigation.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Oh, how hard it is to die and not be able to leave the world any better for one's little life in it.—Abraham Lincoln.