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LOCAL AND PERSONAL NEWS

Hugh O'Donnell

Mrs. Lovell has returned from a week's visit with relatives in Indian Harbour.

The next regular monthly Vesper service of the Presbyterian church will be held the first Sunday in April at 4:30.

Mrs. D. Davis of Chicago was the Sunday guest of her mother, Mrs. Kester of McGovern St.

Miss Iona Sellers of Chicago was the week-end guest of her cousin, Miss Hannah Harrison of McGovern St.

Father Simon Gates is in the Mercy hospital for the week taking treatment for a very much bruised arm the result of a fall last week. He is expected home today.

Miss Catherine Nolan of Chicago was the week-end guest of friends here.

Mr. Jas. Bilharz, who underwent a slight operation on his throat last week at the Augustana hospital is home and much improved.

Rev. Father J. Burke of St. Veronica Catholic church, Chicago, will give a series of sermons at St. Mary's Catholic church every Wednesday evening during this holy season. There will be services at the church every Wednesday, Friday and Sunday nights at eight o'clock.

The Lenten services in St. James' Catholic church will consist of "The Way of the Cross" every Friday evening at eight o'clock.

Mrs. M. S. Tuttle, who has been spending three months in California returned this week to Highland Park and is at the home of Mrs. A. B. MacCaughy.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Baldwin and son Hugh left this week for a southern trip to Thomasville, Ga.

Miss Cecil Vail has returned from a week's visit in Menominee, Mich.

Mrs. Arthur W. Jerrens, 224 Linden Ave., left Sunday night for a several week's visit with friends in Omaha.

Ireland

Miss Elizabeth Clements left Tuesday for her home in Rochester, N. Y., after a months visit at the home of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Clements.

Mr. Guy V. Dickinson has returned from a three week's visit in Orlando, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. William Millard returned last Saturday to their home on Ravine Drive after a month's visit in St. Petersburg and St. Augustine, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward W. Willis and their younger daughter Carolyn returned the first of the week from a months southern trip to places of interest in Georgia.

Mrs. E. P. Knapp left Monday for a several weeks visit with her grandmother and aunt in Covington, Ky.

The Dorcas Society held an all-day meeting in the church parlors Monday. The hostesses were Mesdames Robert K. Buckman, Jr., Charlotte B. Boyd, Amanda S. Tillman, A. Leslie McPherson and Walter E. Carr.

Monday, March 2nd the Junior Branch of the Trinity Guild held a meeting at 4:00 p. m.

Miss Grace Johnson of Irving Park spent the week-end with Miss Mildred Coale, 528 Linden Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Follansbee and family opened their home on St. John's Place last Saturday after a months stay at the Hyde Park Hotel in Chicago.

Mr. Adolph Goelitz of Ravinia returned last Wednesday from a three weeks trip to Florida.

Mrs. Frank R. Cain has been very ill at her home in Ravinia with la grippe.

Miss Ida Zimmer of Deerfield Ave., was the week-end guest of Miss Elsie Jost of Chicago.

Miss Hilda Hoffman announces the removal of her hair dressing parlors from 49 St. Johns Ave. to S. Sheridan Rd.

Mr. Moritz Boehm of Ravinia, who was called to New York a fortnight ago by the sudden illness and death of his brother, Mr. Boehm, the artist, returned to his home on Dean Ave. last week.

Miss Elizabeth Scarborough, who attends St. Mary's School for Girls in Knoxville, Ill., returned to her home last week to attend the wedding of her brother Mr. John Barrett Scarborough and Miss Frances Hale which occurred Wednesday evening, March 4th. Miss Scarborough will return to her studies the last of this week.

Miss Estella Clark returned the first of this week from a visit of a month or so with friends in Winnipeg, Canada.

The younger daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Frank Ingalls is ill with scarlet fever.

Mr. Henry Kirke White, Jr., of Chicago will open a studio in the Masonic hall for vocal instruction next Monday March 9th.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Roberts and Miss Helen Roberts, who has been spending the winter in Los Angeles, Cal., expect to return to their summer home in Highland Park about the first of April.

Mrs. William Mann, wife of Col. Mann, who has been visiting for several months at the home of Mrs. Thomas G. Trczel, left this week for her home in Texas City. Word was received here of the death of Mrs. Jennie Price, sister of Mrs. A. W. Fletcher of this city, who died at her home in Pomona, Cal., Tuesday morning after a brief illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Doty returned Tuesday from a several days visit in Detroit, Mich.

Rev. Jordan of Chicago, presiding elder of the Ebenezer church, preached in the local church last Sunday.

Miss Mabel Behrens of Chicago was the guest on Tuesday of Miss Helen Conrad of McGovern St.

Miss Blanche Leeper of Marrietta, Ohio is the guest of Mrs. John W. Esmond, 326 E. Central Ave.

Mr. Orren Sanford Peabody has been ill for the past two weeks at his home on Moraine Road.

Col. Royal P. Davidson has been confined to his home the past few weeks with erysipelas.

Miss Victoria Pownall had as her week-end guest Miss Jessie Atkins of Williams Arizona.

Athens

Mrs. Freeman's room at the Lincoln school has a new picture which was bought with the money left them by the graduating class of 1913. The title of the picture is "June in the Austrian Tyrol."

Mrs. William Ernst and daughter are both on the sick list this week with the gripe.

Mr. A. W. Himmeler of Highwood has moved his general merchandise store from the Preston building on Waukegan Ave. to the old Fritsch building on North Ave.

Miss Margaret Fitzgerald was the week-end guest of Miss Ruth Lenhof of Chicago.

Miss Helen Conrad will be the week-end guest of Miss Bessie Bendt of Kenosha, Wis.

Bessie Fitzgerald is on the sick list with tonsillitis this week.

Mr. Geo. Schmidt of Chicago was the guest last week of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Schmidt of Deerfield Ave.

Mr. B. G. Dow is the guest of Mr. Gordon Buchanan. This Friday Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Dow and small daughter will leave for their home in Elmira, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Carr of Ravinia, who have been spending the winter in Chicago at 153 E. Erie St., have gone to Danville, Ky., where they expect to spend a fortnight.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Thompson left on Tuesday for a two weeks stay in St. Augustine, Fla.

Miss Agnes Lilleset of Linden Park Place held number nineteen the lucky number for the sofa pillow which was raffled off by Miss Vivian Johnson of So. Green Bay Road Tuesday afternoon.

Members of the North American Union held an informal smoker at the residence of Orator E. G. Burrill Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sheeskie announce the arrival of a son, born Thursday, Feb. 19.

Mr. and Mrs. George Soesker are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a daughter, born Sunday, Feb. 22.

Mr. J. Resseman is on a business trip to Constantine, Mich. He will return this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Howe had as their week-end guests Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Howard of Chicago.

The South End Reading club of Highland Park met last Monday afternoon with Mrs. Edwin C. Day, S. Sheridan Rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar M. Snow, who have been spending the winter in Pasadena, Cal., expect to return to Highland Park some time in April.

Mrs. Katie Zimmer visited during the week with her daughter, Mrs. Phillip Rodacre of Chicago.

Miss May Johnson, who has frequently visited in Highland Park is in New York where she will remain indefinitely.

Mrs. Clarke Knowlton of Memphis, Tenn., was the guest last week of Miss Jessie Chandler.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gordon Gould of Chicago, formerly of this city, visited friends here Tuesday.

Ossoli Club

Mrs. Francis D. Everett will speak on "Some Illinois Laws Directly Concerning Women and Children" at the next regular meeting of the Study Class to be held next Thursday morning, March 12th, at 10 o'clock at the Highland Park Club.

Egypt

Woman's Club

Mrs. Daniel M. Cobb will have the next regular meeting of the Woman's Club in her charge, which will be Tuesday afternoon, March 10th. This meeting will be called at 2:30 instead of 3 o'clock to discuss the by-laws of the club. Nomination blanks will be handed out at this meeting for the annual election of officers which will occur April 21st.

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CONGRESSMAN WRITES OF BILL PASSED

Says President Called Alaska Great Storehouse and Claimed Railroad Would be a Key Which the Government Should own

The Alaska Railroad Bill has passed both Branches of Congress. As it passed the House on Wednesday, it differed somewhat from the form in which it had previously been passed by the Senate. The principal change made by the House was in eliminating the section providing for an issue of bonds. As thus amended, the money for the construction of the railroad is to be made available by direct appropriations which are to be redeemed or repaid by a redemption fund for which the bill provides and into which shall be paid one half of all moneys derived from the lease, sale or disposal of any of the public lands in Alaska, or the coal or mineral therein or the timber thereon and into which fund there shall also be paid the net earnings of the railroad to be constructed, above maintenance charges and operating expenses. It will thus be seen that the resources of Alaska will pay every cent of the cost of building the railroad.

In a recent message to Congress, the President well said that the proposed railroad is the key to the great storehouse of this vast territory. Without proper railroad transportation that storehouse will never be unlocked. For whose benefit it shall be unlocked depends wholly upon who holds the key. The bill just passed is based upon the theory that the owner of the storehouse should hold it.

There were two great contending interests involved in the consideration of this legislation—private interests and the public interest. Conservationists contended that these great resources should be released in the public interest and that the present owners shall continue to own and control them while the opposition contended that the privilege of supplying the key to these resources shall be granted to the private individuals and this privilege shall carry with it the ownership of the entire storehouse and its contents.

The development of Alaska has been at a standstill for years. Conservationists on the one hand have urged legislation opening this vast country, with proper safeguards to the public, while on the other hand special interests together with some good men who believe that the natural resources of this country belong to the man who is willing to develop them, have opposed this legislation and are opposed to any legislation that will not place these great resources in private hands for private enrichment alone. Between these two, Alaska has been caught and held fast. During this time powerful private interests have gone to great lengths in their effort to get control of the country. The Alaska Syndicate, composed largely of the house of Morgan & Company, and the Guggenheims, have constructed some railroad and tried to get control of all available public coal lands. These efforts have succeeded in part and failed in part. The laws were grossly violated and this led to a halt on the inroads being made on the public property by these private interests.

Not succeeding in their projects, this Syndicate decreed that if it should not build these roads and get these resources, nobody should. Attempts of others to acquire property and build transportation lines were met with force by the Syndicate. The history of railroad building in Alaska, with a few exceptions, is a history of lawlessness, high finance and chicanery.

A careful study of the testimony submitted to the Committees on Territories of both the Senate and the House, must lead to the conclusion that the Alaska Syndicate now controls the railroad situation in Alaska, and thus, holding the key, they control the resources of Alaska, and they will continue to do so until our Government accomplishes the railroad construction provided for in the bill just passed. The testimony further demonstrates the fact that should the Government not undertake and do this work, it cannot be done.

Therefore, the question involved in the bill was whether Alaska shall belong to the people of the United States and its resources developed for the benefit of those people and for the people living in Alaska, or whether Alaska shall belong to the Guggenheim-Morgan Syndicate to be developed by and for them alone.

The bill having passed, the real development of this vast territory is bound to follow. The population of the territory will rapidly increase. The people of the Pacific Coast will be enabled to procure good coal at reasonable prices. The riches of Alaska will be observed in the highest sense for they will be put to the most beneficial use of the greatest possible number of people.

In passing the bill, Congress has declared for the public interest as against private monopoly.

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