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COMMUNITY SERVICE

A very pleasant evening was enjoyed when the young people of the community met at the High school for the regular Saturday night dance.

Mr. Eichler, a member of the committee, was in charge and he conducted the dance in the same able manner with which he has "put things over" in the past.

Miss McDonald again favored us with one of her choice selections, "When My Baby Smiles at Me," from Greenwich Village Follies.

At a meeting of the committee on Wednesday, May 26th, the question of whether or not the dances should be continued through the summer months was considered and Mr. Brown and his committee were unanimous in deciding that the dances be discontinued on the last Saturday night in June and recommenced on the first Saturday night in September.

The High school play at Ravinia drew a goodly number of our young people last Saturday night, but as there will be nothing to affect our dances during the current month, we shall expect large crowds.

Cards of admission were required again Saturday night and for those who did not have or had forgotten their regular admission cards, temporary cards were issued.

Be sure and bring your cards next Saturday night and come prepared for a good time, because how could it be otherwise with Duff's Spicy Orchestra?

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Miss Baldwin, the Librarian of the High School, and Miss Ridlon of the Public Library, in order to encourage the interest of the High School pupils in the use of libraries, not long ago offered two prizes for the best essays on library subjects, written by members of the junior and senior classes in the school.

We are printing below the two essays to which the prizes were awarded, the first by Elizabeth Dickinson, of Highland Park, to whom was given a volume of Kipling's poems and the second by Richard L. Schanck of Libertyville, who received a volume of stories by O. Henry.

LUCKY FRIEND

By Elizabeth Dickinson
Come, I have been watching these people a long time — ever since I looked up from my book. Does it not strike you as odd, the quietness of this place? Not a sound but the shuffle of turning leaves and the scrape of a pen. All these readers here, bent over these tables, absorbed in these books, are not really people, they are simply bodies, and the other part of them is far away, engrossed in other matters than pertain to a quiet library.

You, likewise, have noticed that little old lady with the grey shawl? I wonder what she reads that leaves her face with such a brightness in it. She comes here from a gloomy little house down the street almost every afternoon. Poor soul! I suppose she spends her happiest hours at the library.

That boy, too, at the next table, he is a funny fellow. He told me he was building a baby auto, and he has dropped in to copy a diagram of an auto frame. See how he screws up his face and drives his pencil into the dots! Undoubtedly he is in his own back yard, nailing together the prospective auto frame. At any rate, he is pounding in those nails on his paper for good and all. It is rather strange to see those high school girls sitting all at one table and scarcely a giggle escaping them, but it is even stranger to see Master Jimmy Light-house devouring "Treasure Island" like a "hot dog." The boy has a practical turn of mind, too, for he has taken out a book on mines and quarries. I shouldn't wonder if he had quite forgotten there ever were any high-school girls.

Besides these people, all manner of men come in and take away books of current history and economics and gardening and plumbing; women come here and take away books of fiction and needlework and socialism, and children come for stories and picture books. A young lady has just come in this moment. She asks for a book of cookery and also lays on the desk a garden book whose bright illustrations have won her heart.

As for you and me, if it weren't for a library, we could never hope for success. Why, it would take us a lifetime to discover all the information needed to begin with. I wonder, now, how these other readers would feel if one dark night our little library should suddenly decamp. I guess the grown-ups would be a rather discontented, discouraged lot, but the children would forget it in their very natural way, and turn their energies into other channels. They would go into the world under a great handicap, though indeed they might not guess so. If they were the children of illiterate parents, who lived in a place where there were no libraries, or in such ignorance that they never gave

libraries a thought, they could have but few standards, moral or social to live up to. We should not wonder then that their little starved minds would become puny and diseased; and yet they are only our neighbors' children in a different environment.

By the way, my lucky friend, did you know that the American Library Association was trying to raise a fund of \$2,000,000 to bring better citizenship through books to communities that have no library advantages? That's a cause worthy of our contribution; don't you think so?

"THE LIBRARY TEACHER"

By R. L. Schanck

The Liberry Teacher lifted her eyes from a half-made catalogue-card, eyed the relentlessly slow clock and checked a long wriggle of purest, frankest weariness. Then she gave a glance around the room to see if the children had noticed she was off guard; for if they knew they would take more liberties than they ought to and have to be spoken to by the janitor. He could do a great deal with them, because he understood their attitude to life, but that wasn't good for the Liberry Teacher's record.

It was four o'clock of a stickily wet Saturday. As long as it is anything from Monday to Friday the Library attendant goes around thanking her stars, she isn't a school teacher, but the last day of the week, when the rest of the world is having its relaxing Saturday off and coming to greet over you and to look over the oldest books in the room, she begins to wish that she had taken up scrubbing by the day instead of Library Work.

The Liberry Teacher flung herself back in her desk chair and watched, with brazen indifference, Giovanni and Liberata Bruno stickily pawing the colored Bird Book that was supposed to be looked at only under supervision; she ignored the fact that the three little Czechs were fighting over the cat, and the sounds of conflict caused by Jimay Hoolan's desire to get the last surviving Tarzan book away from John Zanowski moved her not a whit.

"Teacher, I want a book of 'Bride of Lemon Hill!'" demands a small citizen just here. The school mom says I must have it." The Library teacher has to search the lists of required reading for schools for three solid minutes before she bestows "The Bride of Lammermoor" on a daughter

of Hungary. "Thank you, mam," says the thirteen year old girl, and goes off to read Peter Rabbit. The Liberry Teacher knows she could give her some book that would lead her to better Literature.

But thus it is year in and year out. Children of foreigners tell stories too, older folks to amuse by showing their ignorance about most books. Even so it is a wonderful work; for the foreign boy who stands at the Popular Mechanics Magazine so thoroughly, who reads the Liberry works book so often, may some day build the first Air Line Terminal in Paris. The little alert, swift moving Czech may become the fastest typist in the world. The Bohemian girl who examines the books on paintings and the pictures, may become the world's greatest artist. All these possibilities from this little Liberry and its wealth of books! Is it not an attraction to any young man or woman who is desirous of serving his fellow men and women in some really useful way? Here he is capable of directing the thoughts of hundreds of these foreign boys and girls who come for books and to hear the stories of the librarian. He makes the foundation on which they build by the books they come to read. These foreigners are only too glad to get these books and it is one of the best ways of preaching Americanism. A few hundred Libraries well distributed through the foreign population of the City of Chicago can do more to make good citizens than hundreds of Naturalization laws and decrees.

Highland Park, Ill., May 3rd, 1920
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The Highland Park State Bank:

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Highland Park State Bank, located at Highland Park, Ill., held on Thursday, April 9, 1920, at which meeting a quorum of the directors of said bank was present, a special meeting of the stockholders of the Highland Park State Bank is called for June 7th, 1920, at 4 p. m. at the office of the said Highland Park State Bank, for the purpose of considering the increase of the bank's capital stock from \$60,000 to \$100,000, in accordance with the provisions of an act concerning corporations with banking powers.

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