## DEERFIELD LOCAL and PERSONAL

Mrs. George A. Ward of Wheeling sister.

Saturday the young couple will re- home.

Lee and Miss Myrtle Lee are leav- home on Central Avenue. vention of the Woman's Missionary evening. Mrs. Stryker has charge of the Illi- kegan. nois training class which will grad- Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Rockenbach, Miss Myrtle for the Y.P.M.C. Rockenbach home on Sunday. Mesdames Drake and Norenberg Mrs A. Jardine and granddaugh-

Mr. and Mrs. John Fedosky and old Plagge. two children Bobby and Jean, Mrs. The Sewing Circle of St. Paul's until Sunday.

Milwaukee.

tained guests from Evanston Sat-

Theodore J. Knaak and his sister Miss Ida Knaak spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Romayne Stryker in Ottawa, Ill. and returned through Starved Rock. Mr. Knaak and his sister are now residing on cently vacated by the Melville of Mrs. John Ott

O'Connor and Mrs. Otto Trute as a month's visit,

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Sherman an- noon at her home on Hazel Avenue. Ott family attended a picnic gaththeir daughter, Grace Evelyn, to dren left Sunday evening for Los Fourth.

George W. Ward, son of Mr. and Angeles, Calif., to visit Mrs. Koch's Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Meyer en-

Miss Georgia Burch entertained Amelia Pyle of Chicago, Mrs. Eu- Meyer) returned to Harvey that at a kitchen shower in compliment gene Ender, and Miss Clara Ender Miss Grace Sherman on Thurs- with Mrs. Jacob Antes of Seattle, day afternoon. Guests were their Wash., were guests Saturday at the friends and classmates. The gifts, William Carolan home in Highland Whitcomb enjoyed a fishing trip at many and varied, were all in green Park. Mrs. Antes returned to Chi- Wonder Lake over the Fourth. and ivory, in keeping with the cago with Mrs. Bingham and is bride-to-be's kitchen scheme. Fol- spending this week with her two lowing Miss Sherman's marriage on nieces and a nephew at the Dollard

side in the little bungalow east of Mrs. Julius Johnson was hostess to members of the Independent So-Mrs. John Stryker, Mrs. Arthur cial Olub yesterday afternoon at her

ing next Thursday with Mrs. Fred Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Peterson Norenberg and Mrs. Drake of High- were guests at the Edward Klug land Park to attend the annual con- home in Northbrook on Saturday

Society of the Illinois Conference Mrs. Percy McLaughlin and son of the Evangelical Church at Oak- Gordon are spending two weeks at dale Camp Grounds in Freeport the William Hellman home in Wau-

mate seven of its members on Sat- Mr. and Mrs. Lester J. Love and urday. Mrs. Lee will go as a dele- Florence, Lillian and Jimmie Love gate from the Bethlehem WMS and of Joliet visited at the George

will represent the Bethany Church. ter Delores Provost of Chicago They plan to remain until the fol- spent several days last week with Mrs. Jardine's daughter, Mrs. Har-

Sophia Bruso and Mr. and Mrs. Church will hold a pienic Thursday, Hilding Oberg of Chicago were the July 19 at Sunset Park at 11 a.m. guests of Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Bruso The annual picnic of St. Paul's

on Saturday. The Obergs remained Church will be held Sunday, Aug. 5, at Sunset Park. A' committee Mr. and Mrs. Arno Frantz and will meet tomorrow evening at the daughter Caryl spent Monday in Sunday school rooms to plan for the open air worship service and Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Grohe enter- the program of events to follow.

The Converse family has moved from Fair Oaks and Park Avenues and have departed for the West.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred La Bahn were Sunday dinner guests at the George La Bahn home in Evanston.

Circle Two of St. Paul's Church Knollwood Avenue in the house re- met Tuesday afternoon at the home

Mrs. Le Roy Meyers and little The Sewing Society of the Holy daughter Helene have returned Cross Church was postponed one from a four weeks visit in Hancock, week and is meeting this afternoon Mich. Mrs. Meyers' little cousin at the rectory with Miss Rose Jack Valka returned with her for

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schar spent Mrs. Harry Baum entertained her Sunday at the Ernest Haseman

lobby Haseman, is their guest this

Miss Virginia Engels' music class is rehearsing each Tuesday at the Deerfield Grammar School for a recital of music and dancing to be presented next month.

Mr. and Mrs. Christ Bendt and children of Chicago and the George sounce the approaching marriage of . Mrs. Gustav Koch and four chil- ering at the Louis Ott farm on the

tertained at a family dinner on Sun-Mrs. E. J. Bingham and Mrs. day. The Harry Nortons (Eleanor

Mr. and Mrs. George Harder and son and Mr. and Mrs. Edward

Miss Ruth Anderson of Chicago spent the week-end with her sister Mrs. Raymond Meyer.



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## NORTHSHORE GARDEN OF MEMORIES Harrassed by Unprincipled "LAWYERS" LIES ABOUT PERPETUAL CARE FUND

6. Our PERPETUAL CARE FUND was deposited for several years with a well-known Chicago Trust Company with the understanding that we could withdraw the earnings therefrom at any time and use the same for the upkeep of the cemetery. We did not draw a dollar of those earnings and did not apply for any portion of the same for 15 years, or until the business depression had been under way for more than two years. We had taken care of the grounds with other funds. It occurred to us that it would be well to replace those funds by drawing at least a portion of the \$8,000.00 which had accumulated as earnings according to reports of the Trustee. Upon applying for the same we were met with PEEVISHNESS and EXCUSES. About the same time suits were stated by big business men against the corporation for the purpose of securing money with which they had intrusted the company and in the safety of which they felt doubtful. Leading lawyers of Chicago represented these different business men. In view of these facts we insisted that the "securities" in which our money had been invested should be surrendered to be and the trust agreement cancelled. Eminent Chicago lawyers afterwards volunteered the assertion that we had taken the right course. We secured the bonds and found that only one bond of a comparatively small denomination had any market value. We turned that into money and applied it on our indebtedness. All the rest of those "bonds" are now in default, some on interest payments and some on both principle and interest payments. Frankly, what they are worth is a conundrum. Some of the mortgages given by the property-owners to secure the bond issues are now being foreclosed. However, we stand ready to show any interested person bonds issued by five different building concerns and one road bond issued by a County in Tennessee, all of which were purchased with our money and all of which we received from that trust company.

ENTER ANOTHER "LAWYER"

Several years ago the wife of a certain lawyer bought a lot from one of our salesmen. to be paid for in installments. The lady asked the salesman and this office not to mail any notices or other communications, as she did not want her husband to know of her purchase. In due time she paid for the lot and acquired a deed. Of course her husband learned of it, and when a frank statement of the withdrawal of those "bonds" from the Trustee was sent to all the lot-owners, the lady received that communication. Her husband read it, and a bright idea struck him. Evidently he was hungry-at least for dollars. He wrote a Bill in Chancery charging that the Perpetual Care Fund was being dissipated and asking for a receiver for such fund. A noticeable feature of the document was his solicitation of business for himself in the following words:

"Your oratrix brings this suit on her own behalf and on behalf of such other lot-owners of said Cemetery Company as desire to join with your oratrix herein and pay their

proportionate share of the costs and expenses of this suit."

Our attorney noticed that bid for legal business immediately upon reading the bill and said that was the principal object in writing and filing the bill. That "lawyer" actually had his wife sign and MAKE OATH to that bill, even the the principal statement therein was a 100 percent LIE. He made a point to have the gist of the bill published in the newspapers and evidently expected that a number of stockholders and lot-owners would immediately rush to his office with money in their hands for him that he might be their great protector. Evidently not a person did the rush act, as our attorney tried for more than a year and a half to get the case before the court. He was unsuccessful and I suppose has made no efforts recently. Of course, everyone will see what the bill was written for and that the author of it knew that there was no legal nor honest grounds for writing such a document and having it spread broadcast in the newspapers. And yet it is said that soliciting business is sufficient cause for disbarment of a lawyer. We hear that this fellow has practically disbarred himself, as he has quit. It is said he is "down and out."

## THE LATEST EXTORTION ATTEMPT

7. Omitting some minor attempts to get money from this Corporation dishonestly but within the pale of the law, we come to the latest flagrant and scoundrelly attempt on the part of so-called "lawyers" to hold up this Company for their private gain. To make the situation clear, we must state that in the early history of our operations here, a leading citizen of Freeport, Illinois, came to our temporary Chicago office, said that he heard about our ideas as to what a modern cemetery should be and had called to learn more about those ideas. The gentleman was an engineer, had been manager of the City Water Works for more than a quarter of a century, was manager of a modern place of burial, a member of the Board of Education of the city and a well-known, high-grade citizen. He came wholly of his own motion. We never heard of him until he came into our office. After looking over our grounds he asked if there was any stock for sale. We told him that we were selling a little stock occasionally in a quiet way, but was not advertising the same and would not print any booklet or even a cheap folder for that purpose. The gentleman made an investment and his wife followed his example. Undoubtedly thru the influence of this man Dr. D. C. L. Mease, a highly respected physician in that county and president of a bank, came here, looked over our property and the field from which we would draw patronage for a beautiful garden place of human interment.

The banker very promptly offered to invest and we accepted his offer. Dr. Mease was well-known as a man whose judgment was almost unerring as to the safety of various forms of investment. He had that reputation in his town and in his county, as he had excellent judgment and was very cautious. We elected him a member of our Board of Directors and he served as such to the day of his death. During the time that Dr. Mease served as a director he watched every phase of the business carefully and was so confident of the permanent success of the project that he advised many of his life-long acquaintances to invest their money in the shares of this corporation. Scores of the leading and most intelligent citizens of the city and county followed the doctor's advice. Many Freeport citizens invested other funds in other concerns without the doctor's

advice and lost every dollar. This Company paid dividends for several years (more than \$73,000) and thus everything was satisfactory to the stockholders until we decided it was best to suspend the payment of dividends for a time when we were in the midst of our building campaign, during which we erected permanent buildings in NORTHSHORE GARDEN OF MEM-ORIES in the total amount of \$91,000. We sold as high as \$144,000 worth of ground in a single year with only 3 or 4 salesmen working. The bankers loaned us on simple promissory notes \$43,000 and contractors and material men solicited our business with the understanding that they would accept part cash and our notes for the balance. Notes of this class in the amount of \$20,000.00 were given, as there was no doubt whatever that if business conditions should continue as they were during those years the entire indebtedness would be wiped out in a short time. At the close of the building period we had outstanding \$63,000 in plain promissory notes and \$16,000 in open accounts. When the depression began that indebtedness had been reduced to \$14,000.00. IT IS LESS THAN

\$6,000 NOW. ONE SHORT-SIGHTED FAMILY AMONG STOCKHOLDERS

The result of all this was that practically all of the stockholders were willing to wait for the resumption of dividends until our indebtedness should be paid. There was just one family which Dr. Mease favored by inducing the members thereof to make a safe investment here who became dissatisfied because they were not receiving dividends. We have it upon the best of authority that that family had invested much more money in other "securities" which were WORTHLESS in less than a year after the depression started. Nevertheless, they could not unders and why we should not pay dividends notwithstanding the statement of conditions which was sent from time to time to all the stockholders.

(TO BE CONTINUED)

