

## Elm Place News

### School Closes on Friday

There will be no school on Washington's Birthday, Friday, Feb. 22. Some schools had a holiday on the 12th, but we are glad to have one to look forward to. We hope the weather will not go back on us.

### Get Ready for Spring

This is the middle of February and before we know it, March will be here. Then the spring birds arrive. Get ready! Clean your eye glasses and your boots. So you are ready to go on the many bird hikes. A blue bird and several robins have been reported in town.

### Red Cross Juniors Busy

The 7A Red Cross Juniors are making designs to adorn the vases to send to the Hines Veterans Hospital. They will also use old tin cans. The veterans will enjoy these individual vases better than one large one in a room.

This week the Juniors received a letter from Miss Dineen, secretary, acknowledging the valentine favors. Three hospitals received the hand work. Doll favors were sent to nurses who are patients at the Hines Hospital. Nut cups were sent to the Cook County Hospital. Also handkerchiefs put in fan-like favors were sent to little children at the Women's and Children's Hospital.

### Boy Scouts Conduct Assembly

Last week was celebrated the 25th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. Mr. Brush, scoutmaster of Troop 324, asked all scouts of that troop to attend church Scout Sunday, Feb. 10.

On Feb. 11 the scouts gave a program in the Jesse Lowe Smith auditorium at Elm Place School. The troop formed in line in back of the room and marched with the colors to the platform. Then Mr. Price invited all scouts from other troops in the room to come on the stage. After repeating the scout oath and law, Julius Laegeler, patrol leader, took charge of the program. He asked different scouts to explain first aid. Afterwards the audience asked questions concerning the demonstrations and the scout organization.

### First Basketball Round Ends

The first round in the grammar school basketball league was just completed last week. The Elm Place heavyweights are tied for first place with St. James.

This year the Elm Place School heavyweights look very promising. They have shown good team work under the coaching of Mr. Leech, and perhaps are going to win the championship this year. They must play Lake Forest, St. James and Oak Terrace, in a row, but Elm Place boys will do the best they can.

### LINCOLN SCHOOL

**Lincoln's Birthday Program**  
A special assembly was held last week on Lincoln's Birthday and a fitting program was given. The boy scouts of troop 33 opened the program by marching to the platform, giving the boy scout oath

pledge of allegiance, and posting the colors. A girl scout marched at the head of each grade and carried its flag.

An eighth grade pupil, George Greene, recited Lincoln's Gettysburg Address and some talks illustrated by slides were given by Vernamae White, Mary Kathryn DeCelle, and Kelso Coale, showing places associated with Lincoln's life. Walter Gottschall read Lincoln's autobiography.

Short talks were given telling some of Lincoln's characteristics. Ned Garat talked on Lincoln's sense of humor, Louise Lyman on his honesty, Jean Morrissey on his eagerness for education. Short talks were also given on his simplicity by Betty Bowen and on his love of children by Mary Fleager. — Barbara Timm.

### Interesting Assembly

All the 7th grade boys were in a play that was given for the assembly Feb. 7, under the direction of Mrs. Walton, science and social science teacher. The play was about current events. Every boy was an editor, or reporter for, some special subject. Three of the boys made very fine lady reporters.

The first act (time, nearing midnight, New Year's Eve) showed the editors and reporters discussing the news events of 1934.

The second act was not a complete success because the radio over which the boys were "broadcasting" broadcast Doolittle's take-off on his last record-breaking flight.

The third act (time, Feb. 7) the editor in chief discussed the recent events of importance with other editors and reporters.

—Mary Fleager, grade 8.

### RAVINIA SCHOOL

#### Sick Teacher Resigns

Miss Harlem, our kindergarten teacher, has given up her work for the rest of the year on account of illness. Mrs. Gore of Evanston has been substituting this past week, until the new teacher, Miss Lella Coldren arrives. Miss Coldren expects to begin her work on Monday, Feb. 18. She is a graduate of the National College of Education in Evanston and has been teaching in Stoughton, Wis. We all regret losing Miss Harlem and hope she will soon be well again. We also wish Miss Coldren success and happiness in her stay with us.

#### Our Lincoln Assembly

On Tuesday, Feb. 12, the Ravinia school children gave their Lincoln

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assembly. Two children from each room in the school were chosen to carry the flag. The whole school gave the pledge to the flag, and the third and fifth grades gave little acts, each about Lincoln.

Some children recited poems about Lincoln and we all sang patriotic songs. School was then dismissed for the rest of the day.—Gretchen Fischer.

### Ice Rink News

Ravinia has had a long successful season of almost continuous ice skating. The money for our rink was raised by subscription, radio show, sale of candy and an ice carnival. Ravinia school wishes to thank the skating committee of the P.T.A. for their endeavors in making this a happy winter for all.

### Pet Shop

The first grade class is making a pet shop. They are making up stories about their pets.

### "One Little Indian Boy"

Mrs. Brown's second grade gave a dramatization of the story of "One Little Indian Boy" by Emma L. Brock. This closed their study of the Southwest Indians. They used the large pueblo, which they built in their room, as a part of their play.

Billy Gutman took the part of Skippin-in-the-Morning. The mother was Janis Uhlman, the father was John Law. Babbette Well took the part of the daughter, and Clarke Church was the weaver. The animals were Jean Watt, Peter Uhlman, Erminia Bruno, Marshall Stone, Kirk Fischer, and Patricia Waggoner. The other children were the friends who lived in the pueblo.

Miss Pond's second grade has just finished making a big Indian poster. It covers one end of our room. The picture shows what the Indians do. The figures are as big as we are, because different children lay down on paper and we drew around them. It took us over two months to make the poster.

The 5N and 5S grades are making an agricultural map of the U. S. The regions around Washington and Oregon have been studied first. We have put things on the map for that region. Wednesday the 5S grade spent their geography period mod-

eling apples and other fruits and vegetables. The 5N grade will paint them. We hope to fill up the map with samples of the products raised in the various regions.

—Joan Sigrist, grade 5

### RIDGE SCHOOL

The children in our primary room made a most unusual valentine box this year. They used their red barn which had been so important when they were studying farm life. How attractive it looked with a white roof all shingled with bright red hearts. On Thursday they joined with the older children for a short valentine party and all had a good time as they enjoyed the barn full of valentines.

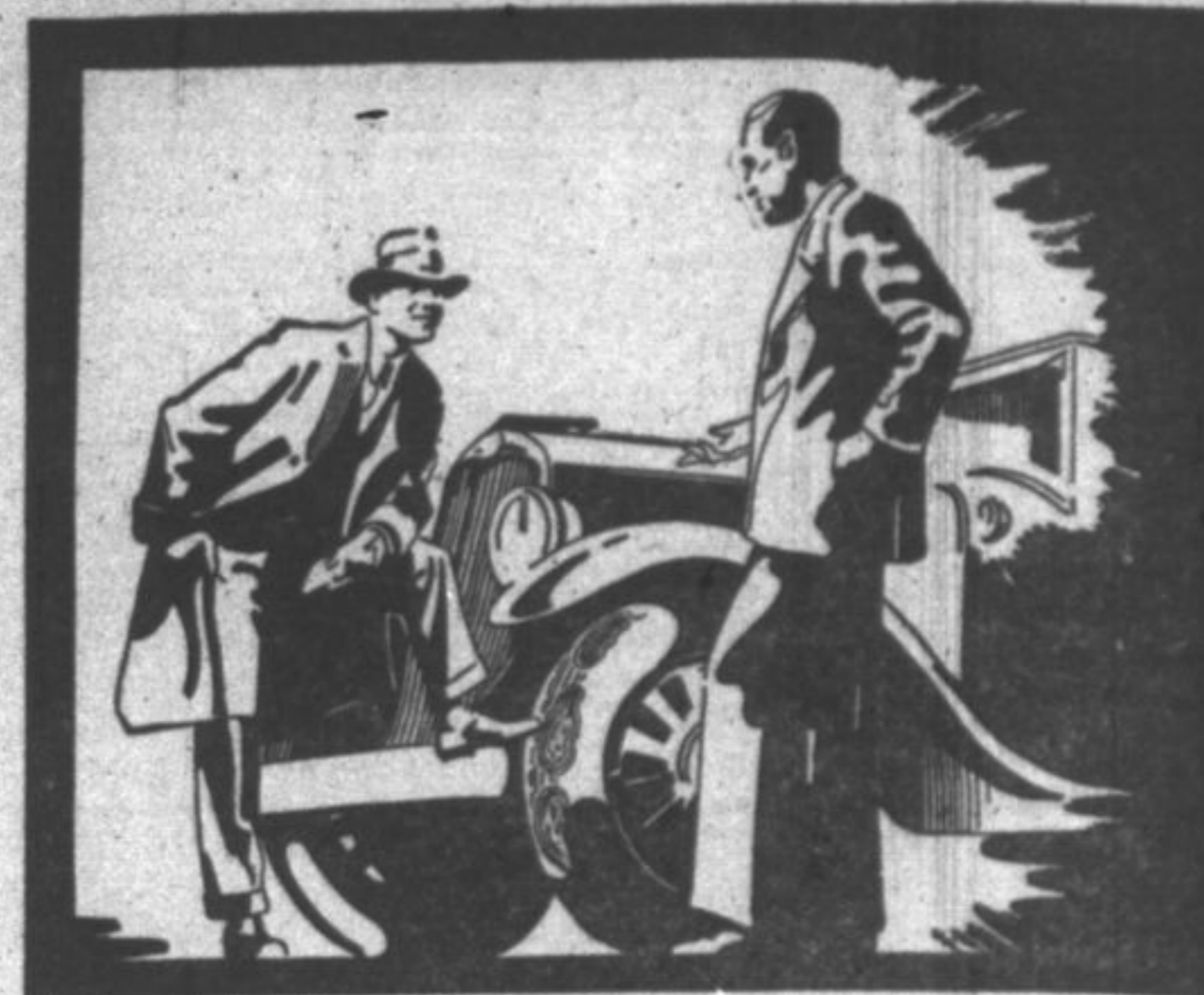
Our Lincoln program was both instructive and entertaining. Each room entertained the other. The first and second grades sang a Lincoln penny song and the third and fourth dramatized incidents from his life to show his interest in education.

The older children picked out what to them were the outstanding traits of character in the life of Lincoln and by means of story and dramatizing were able to explain

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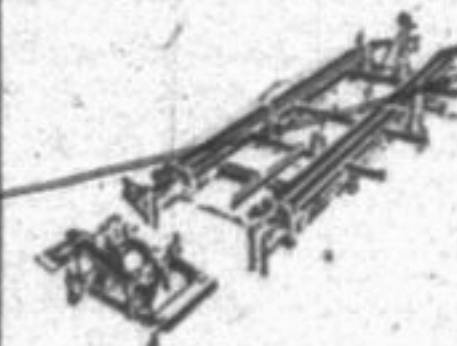


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