



The History of Fremont McConkey
THE HAWK EYE By Herbert Quick
Reviewed by Ward Macauley

"The Hawk Eye" by Herbert Quick takes us again to the locality made familiar to us in Mr. Quick's surpassingly excellent chronicle of pioneer life "Vandemark's Folly." It is said that the first person form of narrative is not relished by certain readers and yet there are books that are much more effectively written in this way. Mr. Quick obviates the difficulty by telling his story throughout in the third person, as far as his hero is concerned, the writing presumably being done by an unnamed chronicler. In the final chapter the nameless story-teller reveals himself as his own hero, a new literary contrivance so far as we know.

Fremont McConkey, the hero, was born in the Iowa of 1857 and thus was properly a "hawkeye." The story of his youth and maturity to middle age is set forth with the wealth of detail for which Mr. Quick's writing has been chiefly noted. The best passages deal with the schemes of county politicians in those early days and with the activities and final overthrow of the Bushyagers, a family of suspected outlaws.

The book is inherently highly American and presents a well wrought picture of life in the middle west of its day. It is written in the older fashion of story telling. Readers of "Vandemark's Folly" are especially likely to enjoy "The Hawk Eye" which carries the story farther along and also gives us an occasional glimpse of the redoubtable Jacobus T. Vandemark.

Light Verse at Its Best
"POEMS FROM LIFE"

Edited by Oliver Herford
As a youth with hope and daring rife,
Full many a verse we sent to Life.
Before returning, the editor slipped
A printed note in the manuscript,
Expressing the hope that we'd take our
pen

Or typewriter up, and try again;
Which we did—and got back with
smothered curses

More of our oh-so-clever verses!
And now as we sit and look upon
The verse of Adams and Guiterman,
D. Parker (who swings a wicked pen!)
Carolyn Wells, Le Gallienne—

Here in O. Herford's Life collection,
We can but think with some dejection
Of the little boy who, much dismayed
At the size of the eggs his bantam laid,
Bought an egg of china make
Big and tough and hard to break,
Then placed a sign beside her nest;
"Look at this—and do your best!"

Reuben Peterson, Jr.

"IRONHEART"

By William MacLeod Raine
Everyone who has read "Man-Size" or "The Fighting Edge" will know what to expect in this new Raine story of the West; a rattling good tale, full of action, without a dull moment. He will not be disappointed. It is a story of an ex-service man with a gallant record who has been left a dope victim through the careless administration of morphine by the doctors in an army hospital. He falls to the depths and becomes a common hobo. Then comes a day when, with other tramps, he camps on the land of Clint Reed and meets him and his daughter Betty under painful and humiliating circumstances. From this point is unfolded a story of love and adventure and rehabilitation that will satisfy the most jaded reader's taste.

James Walter Doughty.

New York of the Civil War
"WITHIN THESE WALLS"

By Rupert Hughes
In "Within These Walls" Mr. Hughes has taken a family of an early period in the history of New York and in his strong and vivid style has woven a tale beginning with the first cholera devastation, the destructive fire later and the great engineering feats necessary for the water supply of the city, the political events and a picture of the New York of the Civil War. His people move through this historical background in a romantic and thrilling though sombre tale of the great love and sacrifice of David Robards and his effort to protect the good name of a very foolish wife and an unfortunate daughter.

Driven by the fear of the horror and cruelty of public shame, he commits a crime, which though justifiable and not suspected by the world haunts him the rest of his life. It is a powerful story of historical interest, great achievements, human frailties and their consequent penalties and is written in an absorbing style.

Clara B. True.

CRIMINAL PRACTICE

Exposing children to contagious diseases so that they may have them and be done with them would be all right if only the guilty party had to bear all the possible consequences and if the process really resulted in being done with the diseases. Under the actual circumstances the willful exposure of a child to any contagious disease is little short of a serious crime, says the state commissioner of health.

HIGHWAY SAFETY CONTEST STARTS

Grammar School Children and Teachers Compete

Renewal of its annual safety contests, in which \$6,500 will be given away in prizes, was announced this week by the National Highway Education Board.

Training children in habits of highway safety is the principal task of the 1923 safety campaign, it is said, but through the children it is hoped that the principles of traffic regulation and safety education will be impressed upon adults, both pedestrians and drivers alike.

The third annual safety campaign takes the form of two contests, one among elementary school pupils, and another among elementary school teachers. Approximately five hundred state and national prizes are to be given for the best essays and lessons written. The prizes offered are the gifts of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, which is desirous of re-

ducing the number of accidents and fatalities due to traffic mishaps.

Interest on Increase

In the two previous years approximately 400,000 pupils and 50,000 teachers have participated each autumn. It is believed by board officials that the cumulative effect of these contests and the increasing attention given to safety education will result in even a greater number of participants this year.

The subject of the essays which children are invited to write is "Highway Safety Habits I Should Learn." Essays, as last year, are not to exceed five hundred words in length. Those eligible are pupils of the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades, who are not more than fourteen years of age. The contest opens with the beginning of school, and closes December 4, 1923.

Submit Safety Lessons

Teachers are requested to submit safety lessons on the subject "Training Children in Habits of Safety on the Highways." The limit suggested is between 1,000 and 3,000 words. All elementary school teachers in the eighth and lower grades are eligible to submit lessons.

In the teachers' contest the first national award is five hundred dollars and a trip to Washington with all expenses paid. The second national award is three hundred dollars,

while the third award is two hundred dollars.

The first national prize for the best essay by pupils is a gold watch and a trip to Washington with all expenses paid. The second and third prizes are each gold watches, one of slightly greater value than the other.

State Prizes Offered

Four hundred seventy-eight state prizes are offered pupils. The first state prize is a gold medal and a check for fifteen dollars. The second state prize is a silver medal and ten dollars. Third prizes, which vary in proportion to the elementary school population of the state, are bronze medals and checks for five dollars.

The Board announces that the contests will be conducted with the cooperation of state departments of education, women's clubs, civic organizations, safety councils, automobile clubs, and kindred organizations that may wish to assist. Complete details will be furnished upon application to the Highway Education Board, Willard Building, Washington, D. C.

TONS OF FOOD

Twenty-five to thirty tons of food pass through the average man during an average life time. Health officers urgently recommend extreme care in regard to habits and choice of diet. Faulty diet for a year means half a ton of the wrong kind of food.

MERCHANTS INTERESTED IN CIVIC ACTIVITIES

The New Trier Commercial association is preparing to assume an active interest in north shore civic affairs. At the regular meeting of the organization Monday of this week a Civics committee was appointed to take care of the interests of the business men in relation to civic matters affecting the commercial districts of New Trier. The committee comprises, J. C. Gapen, chairman; Leo M. Dean, Carl Sterner, William Taylor, Frank Gathercoal, Harry Dornbos and C. E. Rennecker.

Reports of New Trier Day were heard at Monday's session and resolutions passed thanking the Winnetka Chamber of Commerce, The Public Service company and the Chicago, North Shore and Milwaukee Electric railway for their cooperation in making the day a success. It was planned to give a special entertainment in the near future for all New Trier Day workers.

New members accepted by the association this week included:

Shoreen Motor company, Wilmette Music Shop, Frint George, Terminal Hardware, E. C. Weissenberg, East End Cash Market, Joseph Kneip and Shaefer and Golbach.

Prominent North Shore Residents Move to Deerfield

Erect Homes on Beautifully Wooded Tracts of Generous Size

Deerfield was discovered a few years ago by north shore golfers when the Briergate Golf club was opened. The golfers and motorists along Waukegan road suddenly became conscious of the fact that in and around Deerfield were some of the finest patches of woodland in this part of the country—woods that have remained intact since the days when the Pottawattomies camped beneath their limbs. An exodus from Wilmette, Glencoe and other north shore villages to Deerfield had attained considerable magnitude before it was observed.

A syndicate of half a dozen Glencoe men headed by Reed Landis has just purchased a forty acre farm northeast of the Briergate club from and is putting in roadways and improvements. Each member gets between six and seven acres for a homesite and all expect to build in the spring except Mr. Landis, who will remodel the farm house located on his six acres.

A similar project is under way just west of the club where a small group of Wilmette men bought forty acres a few months ago.

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TO residents of the North Shore, especially those of the younger set, who seek a natural and social environment, comparable to their home villages, but prefer property not so advanced in price, McGuire & Orr offer opportunity to follow the lead of their former neighbors whose good move is described in the newspaper clipping here produced.

We Offer Just a Few

2 to 3 ACRE HOMESITES

\$1250 per acre and up

in Northwoods, at Deerfield

where values are rapidly increasing

DEERFIELD is situated 3 miles west from Highland Park at the junction of the Waukegan Road and the new concrete highway just completed westward from Highland Park. It is adequately supplied with local shopping facilities, school and churches. It connects by bus line with the North Shore Electric and has a station on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad. The St. Paul will inaugurate an improved suburban service when the new Union Station, now under construction, is completed. Northwoods consists of spacious, finely

timbered homesites to which a private winding roadway gives access. It is situated just north of Deerfield, where town taxes do not apply. Indeed, to residents of the North Shore the taxation on this property will seem unbelievably low.

Just 9 of these tracts remain to be purchased in Northwoods, they will be sold not indiscriminately, but only upon application. McGuire & Orr will consider and carefully pass upon each application received, to the end that you may have certain assurance of the high character of your neighbors.

Representatives are on the property Saturday, afternoon and all day Sunday

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