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## More Boys Sent to Pontiac Now Than Ever Before

By LESTER B. COLBY

Where did the last farmers move out the last "open lands" in Illinois? They tell us around Pontiac, where there have been some of the most remarkable records in family agriculture, and where in the United States—where else?—was the land made? Around Pontiac, we informers say. Such a thing would seem a paradox. How and why did it happen?

Pontiac, called the "Chief City," gained in honor of that old, now-warred-over, now-forgotten tribe, and did such great battle against the peah of the British in Livingston county, one of the rich spots in the whole corn belt, the agricultural paradise of the "west." The story of the delay in settling the land around Pontiac, as related to me, is this:

Land was cheap when the early settlers in it ran the section lines in Illinois. They arrived in the Pontiac region at a time of the year when there had been heavy rains. They viewed the level valley of the Vermilion river marked with the "swampy" signs on the map. They came to a standstill. They came about this soil feet deep in rich loam, almost lake black, sediment having settled during the year, lay in the open for years under a load that it swam. Finally this land was surveyed and opened to settlement, but the real deal was not made until 1915, when the land in 1915 when the drainage was started. The wealth of the lands around Pontiac, and they are rich, is based on it.

Pontiac, 52 miles southwest of Chicago, has long been noted for three industries in Illinois.

1. Shoots, a sporting gun for that industry in Illinois.

2. Refrigerators, "plowmen" in the work of reclaiming bogs.

3. Chautauquans, for two nights, the World's champion chautauquans.

Getting into the records we find that the shot industry in Illinois started in two penitentiaries, the reform school boys at Pontiac, and the reformatory at Joliet.

The first plant was started in the early '70s. The old state paid for the reformatory, and the reformatory worked in the shot factory for eight cents a day.

The shot were funny looking and not very good.

Finally the system was not to Lyons & Legg in 1870, and there were two other factories in Pontiac, the All Long Shoe Co. and the Pontiac Shoe Co. They employ about 650 people.

What the making of shot was started in the penitentiaries had produced a great industry in Illinois, shot manufacturing in Illinois got under way in 1870, and the shot industry is now about 70 factories in this state employing 10,000 people a year, employing 11,000 workers, the value of the shot made in Illinois is now \$10,000,000 yearly.

Frank L. Paxton, crowded into the Illinois State Penitentiary story, there are now 1,325 boys and men in the institution, and he is a reformer, and a good one, I understand. I learned some of these tales he told in his book, "Reform," and we developed these facts.

There are more boys, converted of course, in the reformatory than in its history. Penalties for minor crimes become severer. A few years ago, when a boy was sent here, he was sentenced to stay three years, a minimum or very nearly so. That is to say that he used to be penalty for a minor offense for three years.

"The majority of crimes are not committed by criminals," said Mr. Paxton, "but by boys, and that it is incidental crime, due to the fact that they are boys."

I asked him if he had learned anything of value that might be worth while said:

"Most of the boy here now are from broken homes. One parent is dead, or both, or they are separated. The average is about fifty per cent of all. Lack of government, particularly in the home, particularly among the poor."

"Then, too, there is a class of boys, particularly among certain

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## BILL BOOSTER SAYS:

WHICH ARE YOU, A READER OR A CITIZEN? A man who reads the paper does not do anything to make it better, is liable to get into the habit of criticizing the citizens, who are trying to make the town a pleasant place to live.



## CEMENT BLOCK PLANT IS NEW INDUSTRY

O. H. Kiesel of Hough street, cement contractor, who has the cement plant on Hough, North Franklin and Franklin street, connecting Main street and North Hough street, and the cement plant on Franklin street, has a new cement work, has established a cement block works in the William Peter barn at the foot of Peter avenue.

Mr. Kiesel has purchased the latest improved machinery for manufacturing cement blocks, and has recently opened his establishment March 15 with a full stock of blocks on hand.

The new industry will be known as the Barrington Cement Works.

## Thies Sells Farms Totalling \$115,000 for Country Seats

Four real estate deals, reaching a total of \$115,000, were consummated by the Thies Real Estate Agency during the past week.

The following are the details:

The Theodore Skibba farm on state road No. 22, in Cuba township, sold to Merritt C. Bumgar, manager of the Oxford Realty Supply Co. of Chicago. This 100 acre farm brought \$10,000.

Stay houses belonging to William Hoben at Chicago, Illinois, including the farm buildings, sold to Elizabeth Hayes of Chicago. The price was not disclosed, but when the prices of the other parcels are added and deducted from the total it will be reduced to \$50,000.

The new plan is to have the Hoben family live in the city, and the farm will be used for a country seat.

Twenty acres owned by Joe Blower, near Cuba, were sold to George J. Evanson for \$16,000, and the Henry Wohlbom farm of 105 acres, 2½ miles north of Cuba, was sold to G. O. Peters of Chicago for approximately \$30,000.

Blower and Peters will transform the land into country seats. The new owner of the Hoben property will reserve fifteen acres of wood land for a country seat.

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According to the real estate agent, the Blowers will move to the Barrington phone number, and the Lake Zurich exchanges will receive their calls during the winter months.

Mr. Blower, a former partner in spreading the work of preparing hills throughout the month, it will be possible for the telephone company to have the new plan in effect by April 1.

The new plan also gives the subscriber more in the way of service. The new plan will include items up to the value of \$100, instead of such items appearing on bills only up to the value of \$50.

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This notice explains the reason for the charges on their bill in the future.

The employees of the telephone company have been schooled to all details, and will be ready to answer questions regarding the new plan.

## FATHER OF C. E. PAXTON DIED AT ZION TODAY

C. E. Paxton, local agent for the American Express Co. and president of the Barrington Chamber of Commerce, died at Zion, Ill., this morning, having been 82 years old. He was a son of the late Mr. Paxton, a man of 70 years, who was a member of the Zion church and was a victim of palsy. His relatives had been aware for some time that he was failing, and he had been in the care of his son, Mr. Paxton, for the past week with his father, and will leave again for Zion tomorrow afternoon.

The elder Mr. Paxton will be buried at Zion, Ill., on Friday, and will have a full service.

Edwin Gross, the stage agent, will conduct the services at Zion, and will be present at the funeral.

If you want to buy property—use

## Phone Bills Out Middle of Month After March 1st

The Illinois Bell Telephone Company through G. W. Wilbur, company manager, has announced that a new billing plan will be introduced in the suburban territory, starting with charges for April service.

The new plan will give the subscriber and the telephone company the same terms of payment as the other telephone subscribers.

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and breeds of immigrants who do not care for the boys yet, the others they bring in are things worth while and worth them home."

Chautauqua Takes Over Old Indian Camp Site

We turn now to the chautauqua, the primitive and before the man came the Indians used to camp in a great sugar grove in a part of the Vermilion River. The Indians believed that he would come to help a woman who had a bad heart in a woman's heart, and he had eaten heavily of meat which would die. We learned the danger of a heart diet in case of a heart attack.

Each year for twenty years, girls go a chautauqua has been held in the sugar grove of the Indians on the Vermilion River. The Indians now number 4,000 people. The river makes a crook like a snake, a river a mile in the other. The Pontiac roads would only to Chautauqua. It is the central central chautauqua in the state. It has a large chautauqua organization. It is a Mecca for chautauqua fans.

Not only is there a city person, but there develops some notable people, some of whom are philanthropic, some of whom are public-spirited citizens for a city. The person in Pontiac is Mrs. Harriet Huntington. She is a few years old and left an estate of \$100,000 to the city.

It is in the hands of a company of business men. Mrs. Huntington's hope is that there is now a demonstration farm and school for the children of the high school. An agricultural course has been developed for school the year around. A special school for the children of the school's features.

Mrs. Huntington's gift is bringing to Pontiac a school for the children. A swimming pool, costing \$48,800, has been built for the children. Young men and women are anxious to go to college, they can qualify for financial aid.

A number of scholarships have been established for the children.

The power of the commission in charge of the estate are broad, but the money is to be used for the promotion of the promotion of the city.

Pontiac is on Illinois Road, the strip of concrete which connects the two states. It is a direct line through Springfield. It is also on the State Park Trail, running through the state park.

Another, the Caterpillar Trail, runs through the state park.

Pontiac has three major organizations: the 12th Infantry, Reg-

imental Service Company, Company F and a machine gun company of the Second Battalion.

The population is 10,000, with deposits of \$3,500,000. Pontiac has 1,200 motor cars or one to every five families.

In the foreground among the country houses built in corn and asphalt, there is a paved road with paved railways. The chicken census shows 100,000 chickens. It stood, accepted to that, second only in Illinois to Mequon.

Pontiac is interested in every development. Like so many other Illinois towns, it wants more employment.

(This is the forty-third of a series, written for the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, "Discovering Illinois".) Their purpose is to build up the Illinois, not as a whole, the next will be published soon.)

## WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT EARTHQUAKES?

Urbana—The Geology Department at the University of Illinois has given some astounding facts to the public.

Did you know that if you lived in Japan, you would feel a quake on an average of four times a day? Some of them would be severe enough to move you, but others in the direct vicinity of Tokyo, in fact, would not be noticed. In fact, it is believed that within the last 100 years, there have been 100,000 quakes in Japan.

On the coast of Japan, an earthquake appeared and the submarine waves were so large that when washed to shore, 60,000 people

## CARES FOR YOU IN WINTER

Certain products are required in connection with the care of food during the winter season. If ice is no longer purchased, says the United States Department of Agriculture, Cooked leftovers, milk, fresh meat, cheese, butter, eggs, and other perishable foods from the market, ordinarily require low but not freezing temperatures. In fact, to the properly managed refrigerator a steady, even temperature of 32° F. is required.

If ice is used, however, a refrigerator foot is subjected to the varying temperatures of the outside air.

Out-door cold boxes for food are excellent in some ways, but they may be given little attention. One of the chief dangers in cold weather is to the food which is being stored. If the cold box is placed in the middle part of the day when the sun is exposed directly to the sun, temperatures above 50° F. may endanger the food which is being stored.

If the cold box is placed in the shade, the temperature of the box will be lower, but it may not be low enough to freeze the food. When, for example, the weather forecast may be watched with a view to moving to a sheltered place, it is likely to be injured by freezing when a drop in temperature is predicted.

To protect it from contamination, the food should be wrapped in a foil or in a cloth. If the food is stored without ice, it should be placed in an unheated spot, such as the cold section of the house, and ventilated.

If not affected by the heat of the furnace, a ventilated alcove on the side of a house is a good place to store food in winter.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

Mrs. Burton, wife of George H. Burton, as honor guest at a fox terrier that had never seen life by walking her when her home was destroyed.

Commuter No. 1015 of the St. Louis Flyer, received a telegram from his wife, Rose Stevens, Glenwood, Ill., six of the seven best women.

Charles Mingo sold his bond for \$25 for transportation and gave it to the Red Cross for the relief of New York towards its endowment funds.

Mrs. Walter Hutton, 75-year-old widow of Confrey, Minn., was freed from poverty when relatives found out that her husband had hidden about the house before his death.

Harriett home to tell him that he had been won for careful driving. Mrs. K. K. Dwyer of Boston, Mass., replied for speeding.

Members of a London club make practice of buying dog licenses for pets of poor people unable to provide.

The famous German soldier Max von a small gift basket, carrying hand woven from the West Indies to Liverpool.

Mrs. Eliza Kerridge has completed 70 years of service with the Hunt Club of Tolman, Eng.

Justice Hill of London set a record by getting 21 divorces in 60 minutes.

G. F. Davis wrote from Wyoming to his wife in England that he would be home in time for Christmas.

Pontiac has a large business, and when she arrived she found that he had been sent to the penitentiary for that period.

Aiding stretchers all night in looking for the missing in the British, Conn., erratic Kepuhi discovered next day that he was the man they were looking for.

It was then they were looking for.

and body badly damaged it near Glencoe.

William Faraday, a wealthy California manufacturer, left most of his estate to a sister and only one share to his wife.

James F. Robinson, a Chicago man, was given an emergency suit, but called for help and was rescued when he found the water too cold.

"Business Notes" bring results.

## Sales Books

THE REVIEW Job Printing Department has connections with one of the largest salesbook houses in the country, and can furnish sales books in any desired style.

Regular Duplicate and Duplicate Books

Custom Back Books in duplicate or triplicate.

These books can be furnished in regular or any special rating desired, on a variety of steel.

Regular and Extra Gold Leaf Salesbooks, on steel, 600 lots, with your advertisement on back of duplicate, are given at a discount. Write for a quote on other sizes or quantities.

## Barrington Review

Job Printing Department

BARRINGTON, ILL.

## Saturday Special

### Spiced Cake 25c

Two layers of rich cake, iced and filled with a fruit filled icing.

## Ross Bakery

THESS BUILDING

Main Street

## ELECTRIC WIRING

Work Done Right  
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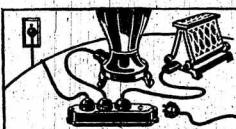
## This Convenient "Table Tap"

Makes Your Electric Appliances More Useful

PLACED on your table, or screwed underneath it, the Table Tap makes a single wall or baseboard outlet supply electricity to two or three appliances at once. You may connect percolator, toaster and grill or lamp to the Table Tap, and only one cord runs to the wall or floor.

This attachment will also be found a great convenience in the laundry, on the tea table, or wherever you wish to have one or more extra electric outlets.

Made of durable black porcelain, this Table Tap is neat and inconspicuous. Call in and see it!



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M. H. SCHREIBER, Local Superintendent

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# School Notes

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EDUCATIONAL

What is true about it? Is it one

biggest school day ever or any-

thing? A friend is not a true

friend unless he is loyal to his

friends, and a true friend is al-

ways a friend to his friends.

He knows the likes, and dislikes of his friend;

he knows the ways of his friends;

and the sorrows. In the same

way loyalty to one's school is ex-

pected. Not only is attending games

an important duty, but also is show-

ing loyalty. It goes even farther,

it means the good-will of all

concerned. Because of the lack

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nals Club concert.

FRESHIE FABLES

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because we are all too tired from

the school plays and those in the

grandstands. Don't read the fellow

who is down. Cheer him along and

encourage him to exert himself.

When one is subbed, yell for the

fans to cheer him on, and not for

as well as for the substitute. If we

succeed in doing this, then, and only

then have we attained the secret of

true loyalty.

H. S. NEWS

Wednesday was a great

day all right. This whole school

from the first grade to Prof. had a

holiday. This did away with the

tiredness of the students, and

Tuesday turned out in due time,

though, and then we again took up

our tasks.

The snow storm which snowbound

roads, prevented some students at-

tending school for a few days last

week.

Sleighing parties are now in vogue.

What's the matter with the

Froshies.

The basketball championship cap-

for 1926 of the Northwestern Con-

ference has been decided.

Assembly table for several days. It

is a very attractive cap.

The inlay at the front of the as-

sembly has been reached again.

Last week it was stated that one

student had been found guilty of

false, at least two dozen were found

to have been lost, strayed, or stolen

in the Freshmen class alone.

A Revision of Webster

An A. W. Webster who wears

black, leather, and carries a white

handkerchief.

W. H. Hause, State Auditor

Kept the creases in trousers by

wearing a fountain pen on the cuff.

—Howard Mackin.

Wearing a night-light on the

ear of the mother—Robert Allen.

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episode was satisfied in this class.

Wednesday—Today we were obliged to endure the test, it was almost as bad as we expected.

Thursday—Nothing of any interest.

Friday—Mr. Smythe talked about the last chapter in his book, "IMAGINE."

Everyone having his Civics lesson, Del with a permanent wave? Ethel without her smile? Miss Smythe without his long words? "Blair" —————— RHS

JUNIOR JIGS

Mr. Johnson, the chemistry class had a monthly test Tuesday morning. The others will follow in a few days.

English III has finished reading Chamber and will have a test covering it.

French II pupils are reading Sandauville. —————— RHS

SOPHOMORE SCOP

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almost every subject we are having delightful daily tests much to our satisfaction.

The time for majority tests rolls round once again and finds us waiting quite impatiently for them.

The numbers of our class had decreased rapidly. —————— RHS

GIRLS' ATHLETIC NEWS

Last Tuesday the girls of H. S. played the teachers. The teachers were victorious the first score was 11-10.

Friday afternoon we played two more of our tournament games. The first game was against the girls of the Wixom versus Gold. The Maroons and Whites were the respective win-

ners. The results of the tournament up to date is as follows:

Played Won Lost

Maroons, r. 1 1 0

Whites, r. 1 1 0

Purple, r. 0 0 2

Gold, r. 0 0 2

It is a pity the Maroons will play the Gold, and the Whites will play the Purple. We should like to have all girls present at the final game.

The G. A. C. dues are due at the next meeting. Don't forget them or we will be fined.

—BHS

GRADES DEPARTMENT

Katherine Evans and Ronald Kuhn

returned to school this week.

The class is enjoying the new reader,

the new words, the children's

books with Iwao and To-Kei, the Eskimo children.

We are very much disappointed to

see Sarah Ann did not return to

school this week. She is now quar-

antined.

We are very busy preparing for

our program March 8.

Eight Grade Girls

the first day of school was a slight

party on Tuesday. Our guests

were Mrs. Welsh and Mrs. Grebe.

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Antioch, Gurnee, and Dundee district tournaments.

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## WONDERS OLD AND NEW

During the past year many new discoveries were made through the patient researches of scientists throughout the world. These ranged from the unearthing of rare fossils of prehistoric times to the latest astounding revelations of the telescope.

Dr. Roy Chapman Andrews found in Asia several skulls of animals which appear to be millions of years older than the date heretofore assigned to the beginning of the age of mammals.

An ancient city, submerged thirty feet below the Mediterranean's surface, was found off the coast of Tunis.

An Egyptian tomb, containing an alabaster coffin, dating back a full thousand years beyond that of Tut-Ankh-Amen, was discovered.

Near Mexico City, the oldest ruins in this hemisphere so far known, being probably 7,000 years old, were explored.

Spiral nebulae have been determined to be a million light years distant, through the sensational achievements of Dr. Edwin Hubble, thus expanding the definitely known reaches of space-tenfold.

Dr. Sharpley of Harvard found that the star Dorado is the most luminous object yet known, with a brightness 600,000 times as great as that of our sun.

Through studies of "atomic disintegration" several geologists, working independently, have estimated the age of the earth's crust at more than a billion years.

It was found that induced attacks of malaria are of value in the treatment of insanity and locomotor atrophy.

Delicate electric needles that separate the tissues before touching them were successfully used, instead of the surgeon's knife at Johns Hopkins.

These are but a few accomplishments of the year 1925. In physics, chemistry and other branches of science equally important and revolutionary discoveries have been made. New truths which thrill the scientific mind are being brought to light almost daily, yet they receive little attention from the world at large.

## UNATTRACTIVE AMERICAN NEWSPAPERS?

In an Associated Press dispatch from Moscow under date of February 5, Leon Trotsky, in a speech comparing Russian and American newspapers is quoted as saying to an audience of Russian workers:

"It is scarcely possible to find anything less attractive in the contents of the average American newspapers. But American editors have the faculty of giving their readers just what they desire."

Yes, and they will continue to do so, and also give the American people their best editorial opinion, on matters which would not please the Bolsheviks either. Naturally American newspapers are unattractive to Mr. Trotsky, for he has no power to muzzle them and control their content, as he has in Russia.

America is the nation it is today because it has 20,000 publications for 110,000,000 people and everybody can read. Bolshevik dictators cannot exist in such a nation because there is no chance to fool millions of uninformed persons.

The quickest way to bring permanence to Russia, would be to ship a lot of good American printing presses and American editors and let them discuss conditions as they found them, unhampered by the crushing hand of Bolshevik officialism.

Naturally, these would be "unattractive" papers to Mr. Trotsky because every one that was printed would shorten the reign of terror, and hasten the day of peace, plenty and education for the Russian people.

Let America be thankful that it has thousands of newspapers that are extremely unattractive to Mr. Trotsky and his supporters.

## ENORMOUS STRIKE LOSSES

Since the settlement of the recent anthracite coal miners' strike, in which about 158,000 men were idle for more than five months, numerous estimates as to its total cost have been made.

A. C. Ross, president of the Illinois and Western Coal Operators' Association, and the miners and miners at nearly a billion dollars. While this figure seems incredible, it is possible that it includes the value of the coal that could have been mined during the strike period. It may be fairly accurate. At any rate, the losses were so great that the human mind can not grasp their significance.

The miners finally returned to work at the same old wages, with slight prospect for an increase for four years and a half.

In addition to the losses suffered by operators and miners, the public was greatly inconvenienced and subjected to higher prices for coal in most localities, although the actual effects were hardly so disastrous as had been feared.

The soft coal operators and miners profited to the extent of the strike, but widespread unemployment is a chronic disease in the aluminum fields, and will do double trouble so while the capacity of the mines is almost double that required to supply the demand.

The unsatisfactory condition of the coal industry is one of the major economic problems of the United States.

## MARION TALLEY'S TRIUMPH

Leaping to world-wide fame at a single bound, Marion Talle, 15-year-old daughter of a Kansas City telegraph operator, scored a notable artistic triumph in her debut at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York on February 17.

The youngest prima donna since Adelina Patti and the first American girl to appear at the Metropolitan, Miss Talle sang in a solo of 200 auditors in the difficult role of Gilda, in Verdi's "Rigoletto." As high as \$100 each was paid for admission tickets and thousands were turned away, while several hundred stood during the performance. At the end of the second act Miss Talle was called before the curtain nine times and at the final curtain call was given an ovation that brought her back twenty times.

She charmed her audience with her naturalness and composure, as well as her clear, strong voice. Four hundred admirers journeyed from Kansas City to witness her conquest of sophisticated New York. Her father took his first vacation in years to be present, and her mother and sister were also with her to share the joy of her success.

In the opinion of eminent critics, America has given to the world another operatic star of the first magnitude. And she is only 19 years old.

## SELLING BY TELEPHONE

The extent to which a telephone sales plan may be developed in the modern department store is shown by the success of a Canadian store that employs a force of over 120 persons just to take care of telephone sales.

In 1923, the general merchandising department had 360,340 telephone orders, totaling \$70,583. The grocery and meat department handled 1,501,534 telephone orders, totaling \$16,521. These telephone orders averaged a fraction more than \$1.

The figures for 1924 showed an increase of 10 per cent in volume of orders handled, and a 12.5 per cent increase in the amount per order. Figures for 1925 are now being analyzed and are expected to show an even greater gain.

## THE FOUR CORNERS

Low-headed oxford are fast to be causal, and the new oxford, necessitating larger sizes

One American producer exported \$20,000 worth of pictures last year, showing the picture of the year.

The area of the Cuban Desert is almost as great as the United States and Alaska combined.

Mr. Cuba's sugar output for a year was dumped in the market, so it would be twice as large as the present Cheops pyramid of Egypt.

Japan now has a population of approximately 100,000,000.

Annual rainfall at San Jose, in about 800 miles of the greatest in the world.

Germany's population is increasing at a rate of half a million annually.

Almost complete disappearance had been covered over the last 100 years in the natural life of rock, which was created away.

In 1924 more than 2 million persons emigrated to Canada.

New York city consumers are the largest in the country.

The city of Chicago has the largest population.

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## Bible Thoughts for the Week

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## Neighborhood News

### LAKE ZURICH

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lindner were in Crystal Lake Tuesday.

Mrs. Walter Lain is ill with tonsilitis.

Clas. Rudenski was in Rockford for business Thursday.

Heiman Preban was in Chicago Monday.

Mrs. Orman Rockenback gave a dinner Monday evening for Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. and Mrs. Charles Wheeless, and has two daughters to mourn his loss.

The Euchre Club was entertained by Mrs. and Mr. B. J. Brouhard Monday evening after the game was played.

Homers were given to their wedding anniversary.

Mr. Geo. Spunber was called to Dixon Sunday on account of illness of his mother, Mrs. Leib.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymon, Weaver, Deschauer and Parker were in Chicago Tuesday evening.

The pupils of the high school visited Wednesday the Barrington high school.

The local school observed Washington's birthday by having a holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ernst and family attended the chin wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. F. Martens Saturday evening.

Walter Peterson was a visitor here Saturday afternoon.

The Evangelical League held their social evening and regular meeting Tuesday evening in the church parlor.

A short play will be given under the auspices of the P. T. A. at 7:30. Friday night with a girl and a boy cake will be served. Tickets 25¢ and on sale at the girls of the sixth grade.

Buy your ticket and join the crowd.

Miss Helen Harkness is ill with a mild case of septic fever at the home of her brother, F. Harkness.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wewetzer were in Barrington Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Harold Hana will entertain the B. Y. P. U. Saturday at 8:30.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Heybeck and Rockwell were in Wheeling Tuesday evening.

Wedding bells will soon ring in our village again.

Oris Crawford was in Chicago Wednesday evening.

Chas. Rudenski left Wednesday for St. Louis where he was guest of a big food company.

Epiphany Church

March 7, instead of February 21, is the date of the visit of our Oak Park friends.

And we are happy to

note that the president

will be the privilege of hearing an accomplished woman speaker on a devotional subject.

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