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MERRY CHRISTMAS

Holiday Programs Are Announced by Local Churches

Many Celebrations by Sunday Schools Christmas Eve

Christmas programs in local churches this week will include special entertainments arranged for and for children in addition to candlelight services, according to announcements by the various pastors.

A symbolized version of the Christ prayer will be a feature of the Sunday school program to be presented at the Baptist church 7:30 p. m. Christmas Eve, under the leadership of Mrs. Walter Scott. There will also be songs, recitations and poems, followed by the arrival of Santa Claus.

A candle light service will be held at the Baptist church at 7:30 p. m. Sunday under the direction of Mrs. Angie Montgomery. E. Kenneth Horne will give "The Spirit of Christmas," a violin quartet including the Misses Dawn Landwehr, Margaret Ann Sheesley, Elizabeth Sears will play and there will be songs by the choir and a quartet, Edgar, Misses Millicent and LaFern Biechele and Arthur Castle. Miss Florence Castle will serve as organist.

St. Paul Programs

Miss Ruth Wiedenbeck and Miss Anna Walbaum are directing a Christmas Eve program to be given at St. Paul church at 7:30 p. m. Thursday by children of the Sunday school.

"The Shepher's Story," "Gifts for Christ Child" and a play, "The First Christmas" have been arranged. In addition there will be carols and recitations.

Christmas candle light and communion services will be held at the St. Paul church at 6 a. m. and 10 a. m. Christmas Day.

St. Matthew December 24

The annual program of Sunday school children will be held at St. Matthew's church at 7:30 p. m. Christmas Eve.

Salem Program December 24

Mrs. L. Schaefer and Mrs. Edward Wagner have arranged a Christmas Eve program to be presented by 85 pupils of the Sunday school at Salem church Tuesday evening. Songs, tableaux, drills and recitations will be included in the celebration.

Methodist Program December 24

The Junior department of the Methodist Sunday school will give a pageant at the church Thursday evening as the finale of a program of songs and recitations by children of their group as well as younger ones. The primary department had its regular program and a delightful Christmas party in the church parlors Saturday afternoon but a few members of the primary division will be on the program Christmas Eve. It is to begin at 7:45 p. m. Mrs. P. R. Grover and Mrs. Ward Olmsted arranged both programs.

St. Peters December 24

St. Peters Evangelical church in Lake Zurich will be the scene of another program Christmas Eve when children of the Sunday school recite, sing and present playlets, "Choosing the Best Gift," "Christmas Wishes," "A Growler and the Ghost," and "The Bethlehem Stable" will be included as well as drills and dialogues. About 100 children will take part.

Republican Club of Cuba Gives Dinners to Needy Families

Needy families of Cuba township being given groceries and poultry for Christmas celebration dinners by the Cuba Town Republican club.

The club sponsored a dance and card party at Catlow hall last Friday night to raise money necessary for the dinners. A net total of $43 was realized from the undertaking, Charles Miller, secretary, reported.

H. D. Kelsey, town supervisor, said that all of the more needy families will have special Christmas dinners as result of the undertaking.

Two Youths Receive Burns in Effort to Rescue Six Horses

Attempting to rescue six horses trapped in a blazing barn on the Miss Beulah Smith farm, tenanted by Carl O. Petersen, southeast of Wayne in DuPage county, two youths were severely burned during their unsuccessful efforts Sunday evening.

The boys were Vernon Peterson, 15 year-old son of the tenant, and Raymond Stock, 20 years old, a neighbor. Both were burned about the face, arms and hands and were taken to a physician's office for treatment.

The fire was caused by the explosion of a lamp, it was reported, and started about 7 o'clock in the evening. The gasoline tank of a truck parked near the barn was being filled when the lamp exploded.

The flames spread rapidly to the truck and barn. The two youths ran into the building and attempted to lead the horses to safety but fire and dense smoke prevented them.

In addition to the six horses, some hay and grain were destroyed.

11 Complete Red Cross First Aid Program Tuesday

Local Group Takes Final Test of Ten-Week Training Course

Eleven students successfully passed examinations in the standard course of first aid sponsored by the Chicago chapter of American Red Cross, held in the village hall Tuesday night, and are now qualified in that work.

Those taking the examination following a ten-week course were as follows: Hugh Calkins, E. J. Langendorf, Hugo Albrecht, Martin Schreiber, William Gallagher, Donald Hager, A. E. Bateman, Victor Kieke, Herbert Landwer, Mrs. Stanley Corr and John Weber.

The course was sponsored by the Chicago chapter of the Red Cross under the leadership of M. H. Schreiber, chairman of the first aid committee, and H. Calkins, general chairman of the local chapter.

Meetings were held for one hour and a half periods for ten consecutive weeks.

The manual of recommended methods for handling injured persons was taught by F. G. Ohlgren, Aurora, who instructed the class.

Mr. Schreiber and Mr. Calkins expressed great appreciation for the interest and time devoted by Mr. Ohlgren to the class.

The examination was held under the supervision of Dr. H. Jacobson, coroner's physician in Cook county and instructor and examiner for the Red Cross for 15 years.

At the conclusion of the session, Mr. Jacobson stated he was satisfied with results obtained and also reported that the class of 11 would be registered as having completed the standard course.

Under the sponsorship of the local Parent-Teacher association, two other groups are studying similar work Monday afternoons. Each class has an enrollment of about 25 women.

We Can't Resist the Temptation to Tell It

The Publishers' Auxiliary, national trade paper for the community weekly and small daily newspaper craft, published in Chicago by the Western Newspaper Union gave the Barrington Review a pat on the back in its issue this week. We are not quite modest enough to refrain from passing it on, so here it is:

"The Barrington Review will begin its 48th volume along about Christmas time. Incidentally, the Review staff is producing one of northern Illinois' finest weeklies and the newspaper carries a full quota of advertising in every issue."

Santa Claus Writes Letter Telling Children of Intended Visit Here

North Pole,
December 21, 1936

Children of Barrington
and Lake Zurich.
Dear Children:

This letter is to let you know that I have accepted the invitation of the Barrington post of the American Legion and will come to Barrington and Lake Zurich Wednesday, December 23, and pay all of you a personal call.

This party is being planned for you children up to 12 years of age and to make it better than ever, I will have presents of fruit and candy in my bag for you.

I will be in Barrington at the Decorated Christmas tree that stands in the park at Cook street and Park avenue at 6:30 Wednesday evening and then I will leave to meet Lake Zurich children at their community tree at 8 o'clock. After some thought, I have decided my reindeer team can not make the trip because they will need all the rest they can get before our long trip on Christmas Eve. My good friends of the Legion who invited me, assure me this will meet with your approval.

Your old friend,
Santa Claus.

P.S.: Bring your mother and daddy along as well as your older brothers and sisters so we can visit together. Don't forget the time and place. I'm looking forward to seeing everybody there.

Country Committee Sends 875 Toys to Needy in Chicago

Several large boxes of toys collected from the country home area were shipped to Chicago this week to the Visiting Nurses for distribution among needy families. The toys were collected and repaired by a committee consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Payson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. Hyde Gillette and Miss Billee White.

The toys were collected and brought to the Selden White residence where they were repaired and painted by the committee assisted by other workers. A total of 875 toys was sent to Chicago for distribution.

This plan has been carried out for several years, and it was reported that the toys were sent to Chicago because no local organization was found to distribute them in Barrington. The committee reports that in seasons to come the toys will be turned over for distribution here if any group so desires.

Fire Department Has Three Calls

Volunteer firemen responded to three alarms over Sunday and Monday and extinguished two grass fires and saved the cabin of Camp Evanbosco from being destroyed.

The first call Sunday afternoon was a small prairie fire at 215 E. Hillside avenue. The rural department was called later in the day to extinguish a fire that started in a log pile in a manner undetermined at the scout camp, Camp Evanbosco, Deer Grove park. The scout troop from Evanston had been out that afternoon and shortly after it left, fire was discovered in a pile of logs near the cabin.

The rural department was again called Monday evening for a grass fire on the O. Erickson farm on Honey Lake road. Mr. Erickson had started the fire and was watching it with his farm help. The call was put in for the department by neighbors unacquainted with the situation.

Village Offices to Close for Two Days

The offices of the village clerk and treasurer will be closed all day Saturday as well as Friday, Christmas day, A. C. Burandt, village clerk, reported at the council meeting held Monday night.

Because of the holiday the day previous and working only a half day Saturday usually, the decision to remain closed all day Saturday was made.

Toys for Lions

Toy dogs, tin drums, dolls, and automobiles, each costing 25c or less were received by members of the Barrington Lions club at their annual Christmas dinner Monday night. These were given by the members to each other and were accompanied by humorous amateur verses. About 25 members were present.

Taken to Hospital

Mrs. Wilbur Chapel, 215 S. Cook street, was taken to St Joseph hospital in Elgin Sunday evening for treatment.

Announce Proposed Plans for Merger of Utility Groups

Consolidation of Financial Structures Discussed by Directors

James Simpson, on behalf of the boards of directors of Commonwealth Edison company, Commonwealth Subsidiary corporation, Public Service company of Northern Illinois, Western United Gas and Electric company and Illinois Northern Utilities company, following board meetings held during the week, announced the formulation of four separate and independent financial plans which contemplate, among other things:

1. The carrying out of a reorganization plan for the acquisition by Commonwealth Edison company of complete ownership of the voting stocks of Public Service company of Northern Illinois;

2. The retirement of the outstanding debentures of Commonwealth Subsidiary corporation and of all mortgage debt and preferred stocks of both Western United Gas and Electric company and Illinois Northern Utilities company;

3. The retirement of a substantial amount of the senior securities of Public Service company of Northern Illinois; and

4. The refunding of all or part of the mortgage debt of Commonwealth Edison company and all or part of the remaining outstanding mortgage debt of Public Service company.

The first three plans are proposed for the purpose of simplifying and coordinating under

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Business Census for Towns and Cities Is Compiled by United States Bureau

Final figures for retail sales in Illinois in 1935, presented in detail for each county, city and town in an area report released by William L. Austin, director, bureau of the census, show total sales of $2,173,069,000 in 98,538 stores. This total is $95,547,000 greater than the preliminary figures released in October, and includes 892 more stores. The state shows an increase of 26 per cent over the sales of 1933.

The 98,538 stores are shown to have employed during 1935 an average of 272,784 full-time and part-time employes, to whom was paid a total pay roll of $263,232,000. The number of employes increased 3 per cent in the two-year period and pay rolls increased 19 per cent.

The following comparative chart shows the business census figures of cities and towns in this vicinity. Barrington, although lying in two counties, is first grouped in a unit for better analysis and comparison.

	Number of Stores	Sales (add 000)	Proprietors	Employes	Total Pay Roll (add 000)
Barrington (pop. 3213)	51	1516	48	139	145
Cook County—					
Elgin (part) (pop. 431)	14	217	11	28	17
Park Ridge (pop. 10,417)	98	3104	77	284	254
Des Plaines (pop. 8798)	101	2502	84	254	232
Arlington Heights (pop. 4997)	67	1227	60	98	94
Barrington (part) (pop. 1990)	30	914	35	89	83
Kane County—					
Elgin (part) (pop. 35,498)	353	10,687	310	1257	1137
Lake County—					
Waukegan (pop. 33,499)	349	12,077	279	1336	1362
Highland Park (pop. 12,203)	123	5933	106	598	739
North Chicago (pop. 8466)	127	2293	120	133	119
Lake Forest (pop. 6554)	75	3189	58	328	397
Zion (pop. 5991)	19	1566	15	311	306
Libertyville (pop. 3791)	63	1563	49	151	164
Highwood (pop. 3590)	48	605	44	68	63
Barrington (part) (pop. 1223)	21	602	13	60	62
McHenry County—					
Woodstock (pop. 5471)	111	2703	115	284	233
Crystal Lake (pop. 3732)	77	1614	71	154	144
Harvard (pop. 2983)	79	1605	92	143	114

Complete Details of Alumni Dinner Tuesday, Dec. 29

Expect Many Members Will Be Present to Honor Class of 1907

Final details for the Alumni dinner to be given by the Barrington high school Alumni association at the Methodist church Tuesday, Dec. 29, will be completed at a meeting to be held at the school tonight, Wednesday.

Hobart Berghorn, general chairman and in charge of the program, reported Earl DeLong, graduate of Barrington high school and professor of political science at Northwestern university, will speak at the gathering which is being planned in honor of the class of 1907. The first four-year class to graduate from Barrington high school was in 1907 and this year marks its thirtieth anniversary.

In addition to Professor DeLong, Miss Blanche Frye and Willard Gieske, both graduates and musical devotees, will be soloists and Miss Naomi Tate will be accompanist. Earl Hatje, president of the Barrington village board, and V. D. Hawley, Barrington town supervisor and member of the class of 1907, will also give short talks.

Reservations are being made with Norman Reese, chairman of the ticket committee, in increasing numbers, he reports. Those not having secured tickets or made reservations can do so by calling 470 or contacting Mr. Reese or other alumni officials.

The annual alumni basketball games will be played Monday, Dec. 28, at the school gymnasium. Myron Kuhlman, assistant treasurer, in handling the games and is assisted by Paul Clark, athletic director of the high school. Two games will be played.

The first will be between alumni graduating in 1935 and 1936 and the Barrington Bronchos and the second game will be made up of teams with players from years previous.

Sustains Arm Fracture in Accident Saturday

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brasel and son Donald, 516 Grove avenue, spent Sunday with Mrs. Brasel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hoffman, in Evanston. Mrs. Hoffman having fallen Saturday morning and fractured her left arm.

She had been ill for several days prior to the accident Saturday but had recovered sufficiently, she thought, to go out of doors. She had started down town when she fainted and fell to the sidewalk, sustaining the injury.

Jewels Distribute Christmas Baskets to Fifty Families

The Jewels will distribute 50 Christmas baskets to needy families in Barrington, Fox River Grove, Lake Zurich, Dundee, Palatine, and Arlington Heights. This is the 14th annual Christmas distribution.

Each basket will contain 24 items of food including a chicken, clothing, toys, and candy. The food is donated by the Jewel Tea company, and the rest by the Jewels through individual contributions.

The baskets will be delivered by Jewel men and women on Christmas Eve. The contents will be more generous than ever before because the Jewel people contributed more this year than before.

Mrs. F. C. Dorris and her welfare committee have done a complete job this year. Myrtle Conrad, Sue Brown, Margaret Williamson, and Mary Rowan were her assistants.

Nearby Villages Experience Sewer Plant Litigation

State Sanitary Water Board Orders New System for Crystal Lake

Progressing toward the culmination of several years' hard work in solving the local sewer problem, the village of Barrington finds that it is not alone in experiencing sewage troubles.

Inspectors from the state sanitary water board visited Crystal Lake December 11 and inspected the treatment plant of that village. As a result of their survey the village board of Crystal Lake was notified that pollution exists in the Crystal Lake outlet stream and for this reason a new plant will have to be built. The estimated cost of the new plant is $100,000.

According to information, complaints of pollution were made by residents living or owning property through which the lake outlet flows. The plant is at present being enlarged by the construction of three additional filter beds but the state department is of the opinion they are not sufficient due to a type of plant that is difficult to operate in the winter time.

Mount Prospect was also ordered to construct a new treatment plant by the state department. Village officials there are trying to find a means of financing the work which is estimated to run $75,000.

Woodstock, McHenry, Algonquin, Cary and Fox River Grove have all recently had new treatment plans installed.

Exonerate Drivers in Fatal Accident

An inquest in the death of Henry Hohmeyer, Ontarioville, who was fatally injured in an auto accident at the intersection of Golf and Barrington roads November 28, was concluded at the village hall Tuesday by E. Edelstein, deputy coroner of Cook county, who had continued the hearing to allow persons hurt in the accident to recover before testifying.

A verdict of accidental death was returned by the coroner's jury.

Charles Schumacher, Dundee, driver of one car, and Benjamin Prehm, Ontarioville, driver of the car in which Hohmeyer was riding, both testified.

Prehm told the jury he had approached the intersection on Barrington road from the south. After stopping at a stop sign, he proceeded across. He stated he saw the lights of a car about 500 feet to the east on Golf road.

Schumacher testified the first time he saw the machine before the fatal crash was when he was in the middle of the intersection traveling west on Golf road and the Prehm car was at his left front fender.

Injured in the collision were the two drivers, Mrs. Schumacher, Mrs. Benjamin Prehm, Mrs. Dorothy Connell, Normalee Hartman.

Adopt Resolution Approving Street Widening Project

Unanimous Opinion Reached at Board Meeting Monday Night

A resolution accepting the widening of Main street project and urging starting and completing it as early as possible was passed by village trustees following a motion by Trustee John Daeschler seconded by Trustee John Carroll at the meeting Monday night.

Unanimous approval has been given by property owners along West Main street who had previously objected. President Earl Hatje reported he had spent the day with the highway department meeting objections raised by Elden Gieske when he appeared before the county commissioners last Friday. Mr. Gieske was present at the board meeting and after the matter was discussed he withdrew his objections and stated he favored the proposed work.

The greatest objection raised by Mr. Gieske and others concerned was extending the street to 42 feet. A 36 foot street after completion was favored.

It was learned that property owners could by petition request the change to 36 feet but the highway department would not start work under the present program and it could not be determined when the money would again be available. The state and federal governments are financing the program.

Village Clerk A. C. Burandt reported to the board that at least five trees and possibly ten would have to be moved for the widening. The remaining trees would not be affected by the work, it was estimated. Frank Roth has been engaged by the village to superintend removal and transplanting of some of the trees with labor furnished from WPA rolls under direction of H. D. Kelsey, Cuba town supervisor.

Use State Radio System to Catch Automobile Thief

The state police radio system was used successfully in capturing an automobile thief who stole a car in Elgin at noon Monday. The man was apprehended by Patrolmen O. O. Olson and A. S. Galvin just east of route 12 and route 22 intersection near Crystal Lake.

The car was reported stolen from its parking place in Elgin at noon by its owner, Walter Drack of Chicago.

Police of nearby towns were given a description of the car and state police broadcasted the report to all patrolmen. Olson and Galvin were near Crystal Lake when they received the message and shortly afterwards saw the machine on route 12.

The officers brought the car to a stop and apprehended the driver who gave his name as Frank Walker. He was returned to Elgin where a warrant for his arrest was sworn out by Drack.

Treatment Plant to Go Into Operation

Raw sewage will be taken into the new treatment plant Monday of next week, a member of the A. L. Jackson contracting firm revealed at the village board meeting Monday night.

If working tests, to be made over a period of several weeks, prove satisfactory, the plant will remain in full operation and be turned over to the village. The last pieces of machinery are being installed and connected up.

A meeting between village engineers and attorneys with public works administration officials in Chicago is scheduled for this week at which may be decided what work will be done under the additional grant received two months ago. The system as it now stands is complete and the additional work consists of items to be added to the program. The specifications and plans are now prepared ready for advertising of bids.