

SOCIETY

Child Conservation League. The Child Conservation League of Keokuk will meet on Thursday afternoon at half past two o'clock with Mrs. Elmer Weisman. The following is the program for the afternoon: Paper—the Work of Bacteria—Mrs. Ralph Joy.

Sketch—Pastor and His Work, Mrs. Hugh Dumenil. Paper—The Slaughter of the Innocents or Impure Milk and Infant Mortality, Mrs. James M. Fulton.

Paper—The Policemen of Our Blood—Mrs. R. L. Reid. Music—Selections from Chaminade, Mrs. Ralph B. Joy.

Discussion—Does This Community Get Proper Dairy Inspection? Enjoy Dinner Party. A large number of relatives and friends were royally entertained at the home of Miss Sophie Hanson, 1901 Main street, at a 4 o'clock dinner New Year's day.

After partaking of a sumptuous five course dinner, music and games were indulged in during the remainder of the evening. Many beautiful selections being rendered by Mr. and Mrs. William A. Dorson and Victor Hanson.

The following guests were present: Mr. and Mrs. John Hanson, Mr. Joseph Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Hanson and family, Mr. and Mrs. William A. Dorson, Victor B. Hanson and Miss Anna Dorson. The out of town guests were Mr. Frances Blondet of Warsaw, Ill., and Mr. Wesley Hanson of Argentine, South America.

Invitations issued. Invitations to the annual New Year's party of Keokuk lodge No. 108, B. P. O. E. were issued today. The Elks will entertain at a dancing party on Monday evening, January 10, in the ball room of the club. This promises to be one of the enjoyable events of the year.

Chapel Fund Meeting. Mrs. O. G. Mandt of the Pond apartments, was hostess today to the Chapel Fund society. A large company of ladies was present. She was assisted in serving refreshments by

Mrs. E. M. Hanson, Mrs. N. T. Wilcox, Mrs. R. V. Sprague and Mrs. J. O. Boyd.

Union Missionary Program. The union missionary meeting, which for the past twenty years, has been a feature of the observance of the week of prayer, will be held on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Y. W. C. A. auditorium.

Prayer—Mrs. John P. Peterson. Business session with reports from different churches and appointment of the committee for next year.

Vocal solo—Miss Maxie Jones. Prayer Cycle led by Miss Mattie Busch.

Round table discussion—Our Sacrifices for God's Kingdom as Compared With Our Sacrifices for Earth's Kingdom, led by Mrs. F. C. Edwards.

Prayer—Mrs. Grant Scott. Hymn. Adjournment.

Enjoyable Party Last Week. Among the most enjoyable of the New Year's watch parties held here, was the one given for the young people of the Baptist church at which Robert Linquist, president of the B. Y. P. U. was host.

Mr. Linquist has for the past three or four years entertained in this way. Sixty-five young people enjoyed watching the old year out and the new year in. Delicious refreshments were served during the evening. Games and other amusements made the last hours of the old year pass all too quickly.

Debt Fund Chairman Meet. At the home of Miss Martha F. Hornish, 912 Grand avenue tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, there will be a meeting of the heads of departments and the chairmen of circles which have been working for the liquidation of the debt in the Y. W. C. A. building. Miss Hornish is treasurer of the liquidation fund and she will make a report of the progress which has been made.

Baptist Ladies Aid. The Ladies' society of the First Baptist church will meet on Friday

afternoon in the parlors of the church with Mrs. George Montague and Mrs. John Linquist as hostesses.

St. Paul's Society to Meet. The Ladies' society of St. Paul's German Evangelical church will entertain in St. Paul's hall on Thursday afternoon.

The following form the committee: Mrs. B. S. Andressen, Mrs. Rabem Loewenstein, Mrs. Loetler, Mrs. Jacob Ludwig, Mrs. Erdman, Mrs. Henry Bank Jr. and Mrs. Schiebel.

O. H. Club Meets. The O. H. club will meet on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Henry Bode.

Travel Class Friday. The meeting of the Travel class which was announced for Saturday, will be held on Friday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock at the home of Mrs. C. F. McFarland.

Invitations Are Issued. Invitations are being sent out this week for the first informal dancing party given by the Felz Doce club on January 19.

Society Will Meet. The Ladies' Aid society of the Sugar Creek Christian church will meet on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Edward Johnson.

Past N. G. Club Meeting. Wednesday afternoon the Past Noble Grand club will be entertained at the home of Mrs. O. K. Boler. She will be assisted by Mrs. O. Phillips and Mrs. Ed. S. Lofton.

SHERWOOD WINS CHECKER TOURNAY

Local Champion Takes Last Series From Medill, Mo., Shark in Today's Match [Special to The Gate City.] MEDILL, Mo., Jan. 3.—Roy Sherwood, the Keokuk checker player, won the third and final contest here today from Edward Stevens, the local crub. Each series was of eight games. Sherwood won the first and last and lost the second. Stevens was unable to win a single game in either of the matches he lost. Today Sherwood outplayed his opponent in all departments of the game. C. F. Reid, another

er Medill shark, also met his Waterloo at the hands of the Keokuk player. The Medill players are trying to get a return match, to be played at Keokuk.

CITY NEWS.

Knights and Ladies of Security, Keokuk council 1039, regular meetings tonight at 8 o'clock at Cameron's hall. Dance, 8th street hall, Saturday, Jan. 3. Given by Dennis Moore and Charles Chick.

Christ Biddenstadt fell one day last week, and fractured his skull. He is at his home, now, in a critical condition. Part of the time he has been in an unconscious condition. His friends will regret to learn of his misfortune.

The funeral of Robert Lingvo was held from the home, 826 North Twelfth street, at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. John C. Sage, pastor of St. John's Episcopal church, and burial was made in a vault in Oakland cemetery.

Local members of the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, commandery of Iowa, have received programs for the meeting to be held in the Hotel Burlington at Burlington on Tuesday evening, January 11, at 8:00 o'clock.

Companions Col. H. B. Scott, junior vice commander of Burlington, and Captain A. H. Evans of Keokuk, composed the committee of arrangements. There will be a large party go up from Keokuk.

Mrs. J. W. Winger of 621 Morgan street, who underwent an operation at Graham hospital yesterday, is reported as out of danger and on the road to recovery.

Religious Mania. [United Press Leased Wire Service.] SYRACUSE, N. Y., Jan. 3.—Ed G. H. Buchenau, prominent Syracuse man, killed his mother this morning while suffering from a fit of religious mania. He was a Billy Sunday trail blitter. Buchenau battered his mother's brains out with a hammer while she stood at a wash tub. That there was a fierce struggle was shown by the tub being overturned and the fragments of a lamp being scattered over the floor. After saying that he and other members of the family had hit the trail, Buchenau declared he wanted his mother to go to heaven where she would not have to work so hard. Buchenau is about 28 years old. Buchenau's home, when entered by the po-

POWER TURNED ON IN TIRE FACTORY FOR FIRST TIME

Electric power was turned on in the plant of the Standard Four Tire company this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. This is the first time that the machinery has been given a test at the new plant. The Standard Four will be in active operation within a short time, the only delay being that of securing sufficient water. This is the first time that power has been turned into the plant, and officials of the company and of the industrial association were invited to witness the beginning of operations.

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SHIP BLEW UP WHILE AT DOCK

Eighteen Men Reported Killed by Explosion on Board Tank Steamer. [United Press Leased Wire Service.] NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Eighteen men are reported to have been killed and many were injured when the tank steamer Aztec blew up at her dock in Brooklyn this afternoon. Witnesses of the disaster declared men were blown out through the great hole torn in the tank. Two oil tanks, located aft, blew up.

At three o'clock all rescuers and firemen were ordered off the Aztec because of fears that another explosion might occur.

Erie Marshal Brophy, Inspector Gray and the chief of detectives, ordered an investigation.

The Aztec has been engaged in carrying oil to the allies.

The first body recovered was identified as that of Ollie Jacobson. The Aztec's crew and stowaways were working in the deck of the ship. The big fuel oil tanks are located when two blew up. Rescuers were unable to board the ship for forty minutes, but fifteen injured were soon brought ashore and hurried to hospitals.

More than 2,000 men are employed at Robbins' pier where the Aztec was docked. Hundreds of women and children were soon crowded near the scene of the explosion, seeking relatives.

The Aztec arrived here December 26. She was one of the latest type of tankers.

Only One Known Dead. NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—One man is known to have been killed and seven or eight are missing, following an explosion on board the Norwegian tank steamer Aztec at her dock in Brooklyn this afternoon.

Early reports declared the death list might reach a score, but when rescuers succeeded in checking up the number of men who were on the boat at the time of the accident, it was evident the casualties would not be as great as was feared.

About twenty men were in the afterhold of the Aztec when one of her boilers exploded, setting fire to the oil, according to last accounts. Between ten and fifteen are declared to have been taken to hospitals. Others are reported missing.

Penalty for Speeding. [United Press Leased Wire Service.] CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—George Gails, a Desplaines farmer, was sentenced to distribute fifty copies of Chicago's automobile ordinance today by Judge Sabath as a penalty for speeding.

Child Fell Dead. [United Press Leased Wire Service.] CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—Fern Lucas, once adjudged the most beautiful little girl in St. Joseph, Mo., and whose life sized portrait hung on exhibition in the "Temple of Childhood" at the Panama-Pacific exposition, is dead today. She dropped dead from heart failure while celebrating her twelfth birthday.

Dunne for Justice. [United Press Leased Wire Service.] CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—Edward L. Merritt of Springfield, Ill., a supporter of Governor Edw. F. Dunne, was quoted here today as stating Dunne is the logical successor to the U. S. supreme court vacancy created by the death of Justice Lamar.

"If Dunne desires to return to the bench, I believe his friends can gain consideration from President Wilson," said Merritt. Senator Lewis, it was stated today, will submit Governor Dunne's name to President Wilson as Lamar's successor if he finds that Dunne "has a chance."

Requisitions Honored. [United Press Leased Wire Service.] COLUMBUS, Ohio, Jan. 3.—Governor Willis today honored requisitions of the governor of Illinois demanding the return of Isabelle Trevor and Edward L. Tatem, held at Cleveland, and wanted in Chicago for alleged confidence game work. Frank G. Clark, Chicago grain dealer, charged that the couple obtained \$1,190 worth of flour from him by illegal means.

Soldier's Poor Aim. [United Press Leased Wire Service.] SAULT STE MARIE, Mich., Jan. 3.—Jealous of attentions being paid Edna Bennett by "Lovely" Williams, negro, Howard Wigginton, aged 21, of Louisville, Ky., a soldier stationed at Fort Brady, attempted to shoot the negro and instead shot and killed the Bennett girl and her uncle, John Plaintiff.

A bullet passed through Plaintiff's body and struck the negro, but its force was spent. Wigginton was arrested. He declared his only regret was that he did not get the negro.

GENERAL DODGE DEAD. [United Press Leased Wire Service.] COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa, Jan. 3.—General Grenville M. Dodge died here at 3 p. m. today.

General Dodge was 84 years of age. He was the last surviving union general commanding a corps commander of the civil war.

Lord Montagu Lost. [United Press Leased Wire Service.] LONDON, Jan. 3.—Cairo dispatches this afternoon said that Lord Montagu, who was enroute to a governmental post in India, probably was lost on the Persia.

Some of the survivors at Alexandria said they believed two other boats got away before the Persia sank, but it is believed they capsized.

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Daily Stock Letter. [Copyright 1916 by the New York Evening Post.] NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Over the holidays, a great many people looked forward to the new year as to a peep into the future. In which all kinds of dreadful things might be expected to happen. These people were comforted to some extent yesterday by the sermons which told the market was to be a happy one. They were further comforted today by the stock market which told them that whatever might happen, at least for the present, the prospect was sufficiently auspicious to warrant an advance over the recent price level for securities. For a time shortly after the opening of the day's market, there was a disturbed price movement in which a number of the speculative issues fell a point or more from the closing quotations of Friday. But buying orders were present in the market all the time and before eleven o'clock, made their presence felt by lifting the general list to a level well above that fixed at the opening and about on a parity with that of the markets closing on Friday, established after that day's rapid advance. After eleven o'clock, an upward movement got under way that carried some stocks to their highest quotations of a series of years.

New York Money Market. NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Money on call, 2 percent. Six months, 2 1/2 percent. Mercantile paper, 3 1/2 percent. Bar silver London, 26 1/2 d. Bar silver New York, 55 1/2 c. Demand sterling, \$4.78 9-16.

New York Stocks—Close. [Furnished by Long Commission Co., 402 1/2 Main. Telephone No. 100.] American Can (common) 61 1/2 American Car & Foundry 77 1/2 American Locomotive 128 1/2 American Smelter (common) 120 1/2 American Sugar Refining 114 1/2 American Tel. and Tel. Co. 127 1/2 Anaconda 90 1/2 Atchafalpa 108 Baltimore & Ohio 85 1/2 Brooklyn Rapid Transit 87 1/2 Butte & Superior 127 1/2 Canadian Pacific 182 1/2 Chesapeake & Ohio 64 1/2 Chicago Great Western, common 15 Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul 102 Chicago Rock Island & Pacific 17 1/2 Colorado Fuel & Iron 52 1/2 Crucible Steel 72 Erie, common 43 1/2 General Electric 174 1/2 Great Northern, pfd. 126 1/2 Illinois Central 109 1/2 Lehigh Valley 81 1/2 Maxwell com 75 1/2 Missouri Pacific 47 1/2 National Lead 69 Nevada Consolidated Copper 16 1/2 New York Central 110 Northern Pacific 118 1/2 Pennsylvania 59 1/2 Ray Consolidated Copper 25 1/2 Reading 83 1/2 Republic Iron & Steel, com. 55 Southern Pacific 103 1/2 Southern Railway 64 Studebaker 165 1/2 Texas Oil 231 United States Steel, com. 88 1/2 United States Steel, pfd. 117 Utah Copper 81 Western Union 88 1/2 Westinghouse 69 Bethlehem Steel 45 1/2

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FOR SALE. FOR SALE—Easy payment, new 5 room house with pantry and large closet. California Ave. See J. A. Pollard. FOR SALE—Combination safe, weighs little over three tons. Fred C. Weismann. Phone Red 358. LOST. LOST—A white bull dog, ears clipped, brindle spots on each side, bobbed tail. Reward if returned to Ed Woolley, 626 Main.

MISCELLANEOUS. MEN—Our illustrated catalogue explains how we teach hair dressing, manicuring, facial massage, etc. in few weeks, mailed free. Moler College, 810 N. 6th St. Louis. LADIES—Our catalogue explains how we teach hair dressing, manicuring, facial massage, etc. in few weeks, mailed free. Moler College, 810 N. 6th St. Louis. YOU can make big money selling our guaranteed trees, fruits, roses, etc. We pay highest commissions every week. Free outfit and part expenses. The Hawks Nursery Co., Wauwatosa, Wis.

Christmas Tree Blaze. [United Press Leased Wire Service.] CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—Mrs. Bernice Kern, 82, blind, is dead today, from burns received when a family Christmas tree caught fire. Miss Marian Kern, 17, grand daughter, after two men had been eaten back, rushed through the flames to rescue Mrs. Kern. The girl saved herself by jumping. Frank Beardsley, a student at Knox college, left today for Galesburg, Ill., after spending the holidays with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. F. G. Beardsley.



No tales are told where homes are cold. There is no contentment or delight in cold or clammy rooms. The ambition of the young is not awakened by stories of great lives and noble deeds where the little bodies are uncomfortable and have to be hustled off to bed with a quick "good night."

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