

Life is too short to be grouchy; too long to cherish hate.

OUR TOWN

The man who has never built is the most eager to tear down.

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PRICE TWO CENTS

A FLOWER SHOW IN JUNE FOR NARBERTH, GET READY FOR IT

A Breath of Spring.

During the ice-bound months of the year the average suburbanite will not give much thought to the green things of the earth unless he belongs to the class of thirty-second degree lovers of flowers. Circumscribed by the fetters of Old Boreas we almost forget that we loved the fragrance of our June roses or gloried in the blue of our larkspurs or the waxy whiteness of our Madonna lilies; and our interest is only awakened when the voices of the frogs are heard piping their music in the early spring and the skunk-cabbage shows its broad leaves in the marshy places and along the banks of nearby brooks. But the fishermen along the Jersey coast have a saying that "when you are not fishing, it's well to be mending your nets." And a fresh catalogue from the seedsman lying before me has just turned my thought to the Flower Show that Narberth is going to have early in June. Didn't you know that we were to have a flower show? Well, I didn't either until a moment ago, but I believe that after we have talked it over in Our Town and among ourselves we'll think there's so much fun in the idea that we'll set aside the afternoon of the first Saturday in June and look in at the Y. M. C. A. building to see who has captured the prize for the best vase of a dozen peonies or the most attractively arranged display of roses or iris. First of all, Narberth has the material. Delightful little gardens are to be found throughout the borough and their owners will doubtless be glad to contend in friendly rivalry for such pleasant honors. The prizes will be easily forthcoming. Nothing is needed, but the enthusiastic co-operation of the flower-lovers of Narberth and the first annual Flower Show of the Narberth Garden Club will be a glowing success. The Garden Club? Ah, that will follow as a matter of course. Tell us what you think about the Flower Show either through the generous columns of Our Town or personally. At any rate, don't forget the first Saturday in June; come around to the Y. M. C. A. building and see where, in the language of Whittier,

"Through the open door
A drowsy smell of flowers—gray
heliotrope,
And white sweet clover, and shy
mignonette—
Comes faintly in, and silent chorus
'tends
To the pervading symphony of peace."
Fletcher W. Stites.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND THE NEW Y. M. C. A. PLAN?

All of you good people of Narberth are no doubt congratulating yourselves that the Y. M. C. A. is going to remain with us, but how many of you have looked into the thing deeply enough to find out just how this was brought about—how an entirely new plan of management was worked out, a new financial "pay-as-you-go" system put into operation, and the organization put on a thorough business basis.

Do you know that it is planned to make our Y. M. C. A. a "real" Community Center—for the benefit of Narberth as a whole?

Wouldn't you be interested enough to stop in any Monday or Wednesday or Saturday evening and have the whole thing made plain to you?

You of course know that the expenses of the Community Center could not be incorporated in the Y. M. C. A. budget, and it is with the idea of obtaining your endorsement, your opinion, and your help that we are thus calling the matter to your attention.

A RARE TREAT.

On February 26, Mr. Henry Such, a violinist, of much note, will give a concert in Elm Hall under the auspices of the Civic Association. Get the date clearly in your mind. You will not want to miss it.

PRUNING OF SHADE AND ORNAMENTAL TREES.

By A. E. Wohlert.
Silver Maples.

Among other shade trees generally found are Silver Maples—which, by the way, should never be planted, as they do not live long; are easily broken by snow and ice storms; break with the greatest of ease when covered with the least bit of sleet or ice, and are very troublesome to sewer pipes. In a good many boroughs these trees and Carolina poplars are expressly forbidden by an ordinance, and if I am not mistaken, the borough of Lansdowne for instance has expressly forbidden further planting of these trees. The borough has at its own expense removed all of these trees they found growing along its curbs, outside of property lines, as they had proven disastrous to the sewer system, as well as clogging the main sewers when they were not very deep. The Silver Maple should be treated somewhat different in pruning, cutting back the long growth as much as possible, consistent with a natural appearance. It is never wise to remove so much of tops of trees that it leaves a large surface exposed to the weather, as decay is almost invariably apt to start, and it cannot be retarded when fairly under way. With this tree, it is also to be recommended that you thin out the branches, removing the weaker branches, and throwing the additional strength into the stronger ones so that they may become thick enough to resist storms and winter conditions.

Oak Trees.

The oak trees need very little pruning outside of an effort to produce a central lead or trunk, and thinning out the branches sufficiently to encourage the stronger. While a low-head oak tree is very attractive when appearing on the lawn as a specimen, it is a nuisance when growing along the street, and it should be pruned sufficiently by removing the lower branches, to allow foot passengers a clear gangway, rain or shine.

Sugar Maples.

Sugar Maples require practically no pruning outside of a light thinning out and an effort to encourage the one central growth, as this tree is particularly apt to split in the center when the foliage is heavy with rain, and a slight breeze starts. This splitting will never take place if there is only one main trunk or stem with branches along the same lines as the Christmas tree referred to before.

Flowering Trees.

Flowering trees should not be pruned in the winter unless they have been neglected up to the present. It is better to prune them immediately after flowering. They can be trimmed very considerably when removing the flowers for table decorations or decorations generally. I have in mind such trees as Dogwood, Double Flowering Cherries, Double Flowering Apples, and Double Flowering Peach Trees, Judas trees, etc.

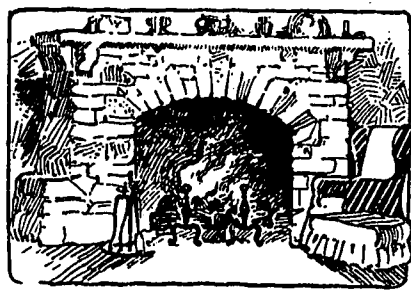
Fruit Trees.

These trees should not be pruned in the winter, but can be pruned in the summer if neglected in the winter. Here it is necessary to thin out the branches and a well balanced head made of branches set well apart, and thoroughly rebranched, in place of having a great many minor branches, as these thin branches would have to be very long to reach the sun, and when in bearing would be so heavy that they would of necessity break under the weight of the fruit. It is (Continued on Second Page)

FIRE! CALL 350 ONLY.

In case of fire only call Narberth 350 and if the Narberth Fire Company sees that it is necessary to call any other company they will do so. By calling any other company you take them away from their district and it makes an expense for them which may not be necessary. Arrangements to this effect have been made with the other companies.

C. V. Noel, Chief.



THE FIRESIDE

By Lady Narberth

Mrs. Wayne Army, of 108 Chestnut avenue, entertained the Sewing Club, of which she is a member, Wednesday afternoon of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Henderson, of Chestnut avenue, gave a dinner for some of their Philadelphia friends on Thursday of last week.

Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Kanaga, of Woodside avenue, entertained the South Side Bridge Club on Friday evening last.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kitchel, of Dudley avenue, are being congratulated on the birth of a son, January 10. Friends are wondering if this son will inherit the celebrated "Lawford" tennis stroke of his father.

The third dance of the Narberth Assembly will be given in Elm Hall Friday evening, January 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Metzgar, of Chestnut avenue, entertained at cards Saturday evening last. Those present included Mr. and Mrs. Gwynn Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin P. Dold, Mr. and Mrs. Justice Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. William Henderson and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bland.

Miss Florence Elizabeth Nelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas T. Nelson, 1924 North Thirteenth street, Philadelphia, and Mr. Robert Allen Bucher, of West Mount, N. J., formerly of Narberth, were married Saturday evening, January 16, at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Bucher will reside in West Mount.

Miss Laura Hopper, of Penhurst, spent last week at Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Jacoby and two daughters, Linda and Florence, of Iona avenue, motored to New York last week and spent several days there.

Miss Mary Peebles, Iona avenue, has returned home from a visit to Altoona, Pa.

Robert H. Durbin, Narberth avenue, who is president of the Poor Richard Club of Philadelphia, an association of men who buy, sell, and make advertising, presided as toastmaster at the annual banquet of the club at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel last Saturday evening. Mr. Durbin's introductions of the several eminent speakers, among whom was William Jennings Bryan, were particularly appropriate. His official review of the past work of the club and his forecast of its coming work were replete with epigrammatic sentences which forcibly drove home truth about advertising in its relation to present business conditions, and the spirit of optimism and faith which was the keynote of all his speeches won much favor with his auditors. The club presented him with a large basket of American Beauty roses as a token of its appreciation of his services.

Found—Child's white "Angora" mitten. Can be procured from postmaster.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Kitchel, of Dudley avenue, are the proud parents of a baby boy.

The row of new stores on Haverford avenue being erected by C. P. Cook are rapidly nearing completion and several of them are already rented.

WE EXTEND WELCOME TO

Mr. David L. Sloan, who with his bride has recently moved to Narberth. They are occupying 338 Dudley avenue. Rented from Mr. Harris. Both Mr. and Mrs. Sloan are natives of the new "Gretna Green," Elkton, Maryland.

Dr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Hungerford, of Pitman Grove, who have rented from Mr. Godfrey, 102 Narberth avenue.

THE PARK COMMITTEE MEETING SHOWS SPLENDID PROGRESS

"AND THEY ROSE IN THEIR MIGHT!"

Once upon a time, many years ago, a pastor of a large city church announced, on the Sunday prior to Thanksgiving Day, that he had appointed Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Robinson a committee to receive contributions of money and delicacies for a nearby hospital. The ladies met the next Wednesday afternoon in the church parlor. The following Sunday that same pastor stated from the pulpit the fact, and that the "congregation of over 800 had risen in its might and given 3 glasses of jelly," also that "the same committee would meet in the same place on the next Wednesday." The sequel was that four days later it required a horse and wagon to remove the donation from the church to the hospital.

Last week the "Tuesday Committee" of the Y. M. C. A. and Community Centre asked for contributions of books, etc., for the new book shelves the House Committee (Wednesday's Committee) are to put up in the lobby of the building, and the 2,000 people living in Narberth who read "Our Town" rose in their might (?) and sent one magazine.

This is what "Our Town" printed last week:

"From H. C. Gara, Educational Work Manager, Tuesday's Committee.

"Mr. Gara has a lot to do, since his department covers the reading room, boys' game room, library and religious work. He can use many volunteers who may care to help on any one of these branches. Definitely, though, he needs a few things which most anyone in the borough can easily do—give good books (even though used), current magazines (after you are through with them), a new or old (if in fair condition and complete) checker set and a set of chess men. These are all needed at once."

NEW POST OFFICE MOVEMENT SHOULD TAKE DEFINITE FORM.

The article written by Mr. Wohlert, in the December 24th issue of "Our Town," has undoubtedly influenced many of our residents to admit that part of the responsibility involved in our getting a new post office rests with them.

It is pretty hard to convince the government that greater facilities are needed in our borough, unless we can show that we are giving every possible support consistent with our demands.

And surely our support has been forthcoming in this respect to such an extent that there should be no undue delay in our getting the new building so very much needed at this time. Whether or not there has been definite action taken in this matter, I do not know, but some plan should immediately be consummated by our townsmen to encourage some recognition of our demands, after the government has been placed in possession of certain data substantiating our claims, which have been so heartily endorsed and supported by the residents of Narberth.

Can the editor of "Our Town" enlighten us as to what action, if any, has been taken in this respect? Any favorable news at this time, when enthusiasm is running high, will surely encourage every one of us to ask, "What more can I do to hurry the good work along?"—Harry A. Jacobs.

Officials at Washington have been asked to have proper parties investigate our local post office building and its inadequate facilities with a view toward improving conditions. They have also been informed of the general dissatisfaction of the patrons.—Editor.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS AT NARBERTH, PA.

Miss Katie Butler, Miss Nellie Wintz, Mr. Albert Cotler, Mr. W. A. Patton, George Roberts, Mr. S. J. Simmons.

The Park Development Committee met last Thursday evening at the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Pope and his assistant, Mr. Enegess, were present, and various details of the plans were discussed. The committee voted to have all individual lots surveyed and marked on the ground with permanent monuments in order that owners, when ready to build, would not need to employ a surveyor to stake out his property.

At this meeting the resignation of Dr. Esenwein, who has removed to Springfield, Massachusetts, was read and accepted.

Another meeting was held Monday evening and revised plans were gone over carefully, with special reference to size and location of lots. The preparation of final plans is now under way and will be completed within a short time.

Mr. J. Howard McCarter was chosen by the committee as Dr. Esenwein's successor.

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCILS.

A special meeting of Councils was held last Friday evening for the purpose of disposing of matters not reached at the regular meeting the preceding evening. Among the matters discussed and acted upon was a communication from Mr. A. J. Loos, chairman of the park development committee, requesting the assistance and co-operation of councils in the laying of a sewer for the use of properties abutting on the park and also to provide for future development above this tract. This communication was received favorably and referred to Messrs. Albright and Mebus, our borough engineers.

A petition was also presented, asking for the vacation of certain streets within the park tract. This was referred to the law committee to prepare an ordinance to vacate. As this is of more or less importance to all, we print the petition in full, which is as follows:

To the Council of the Borough of Narberth:

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, property owners abutting on and adjacent to Berkley avenue, Homewood avenue and Woodbine avenue, hereby petition and request that said avenues be vacated and stricken from the Borough Plan between the following points: Berkley avenue, from Windsor avenue to Price avenue; Homewood avenue, from Windsor avenue to Price avenue; Woodbine avenue, from Wynnewood avenue to Conway avenue.

AUGUSTUS J. LOOS,
EDWIN P. DOLD,
JAMES C. SIMPSON,
WM. D. SMEDLEY,
EDWARD C. HAWS,
ELIZABETH J. ARTMAN,
MABEL C. FRITSCHE,
JOHN B. WILLIAMS.

Trustees for Narberth Civic Association.

OUR AUTOMOBILE NEW YEAR'S GREETING.

"That your tour in the new 1915 model may be the most successful in your life,
That your spark may never fail;
That your steering gear may never go wrong;
That your differential may negotiate the turns and angles;
That your blowouts may be jolly ones;
That you may take grades as easily as you do the levels;
That your brakes may hold you back when you need it;
And that you may turn into the garage at the end of the year with a record to be proud of
Is our happy New Year wish to you."
H. C. Gara.

According to a Roumanian scientist, old age is simply due to a decrease in the amount of water in the human system.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 1915.

EMERGENCY PHONE CALLS
Fire 350.
Police 1250.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Owing to lack of space the conclusion of the article on school matters had to be omitted this week.

All material for publication SHOULD be in hand early Monday morning, but MUST be in the last mail Monday evening.

A LIBRARY A PUBLIC BENEFAC-TION.

A library is not a luxury; it is not for the cultured few; it is not merely for the scientific; it is not for any intellectual cult or exclusive literary set. It is a great, broad, universal public benefaction. It lifts the entire community; it is the right arm of the intellectual development of the people, ministering to the wants of those who are already educated and spreading a universal desire for education. It is the upper story of the public school system, while it is a broad field where in ripe scholars may find a fuller training for their already highly developed faculties. It is above all, a splendid instrument for the education and culture of those vast masses of boys and girls that are denied the high privileges of the systematic training of the schools.

Why shouldn't Narberth enjoy such a blessing as this most democratic institution affords? What do you say?

NARBERTH'S FAME SPREADS.

During recent time there have been several inquiries come to officers of the Civic Association, asking for details of the Narberth Plan of Community Service.

From Huntington, L. I., there comes an inquiry for complete information of work such as our organization has been doing, especially in promoting the park improvement. They contemplate work along similar lines.

The editors of the Civic Club Bulletin of Philadelphia asked for an article telling of the promotion plan that made the park possible to Narberth on a self-supporting basis. This was published in the December issue.

Our neighbors at Ridley Park have asked for complete facts about our pageant, for they contemplate duplicating our success along this line.

"The Survey" of New York also asked for complete facts about our pageant and published an illustrated article which was circulated to the extent of 24,000 copies in all parts of the United States and abroad among social and philanthropic workers and students.

Does it pay to do things co-operatively for the benefit of our home town? Those who live afar think so. What do you think? Write us a letter, letting us know your belief in the matter.

Heater Clocks, \$3.50
Operate the Drafts while you sleep.
SUPLEE'S
1538 MARKET STREET

A PLAIN STATEMENT.

In last week's issue of this paper there was reprinted from The Independent, an article entitled "It Is Not War."

Two of our readers have objected to this article on the grounds that it was unfair to Germany; another reader objected because he thought "Our Town" should be neutral on the subject of the war. One of the three said he did not want "Our Town" sent to him, or to one of his friends, any longer; the other two said they would discontinue their subscriptions if we printed any more similar articles or failed to remain neutral.

Perhaps a mistake was made in publishing the article under the title "It Is Not War." It would have been nearer the truth to have given it the caption, "This is Exactly What War Is."

Be that as it may, let this be clearly understood: "Our Town" has no desire to offend any of our citizens. Apparently, two of them have been hurt by the article published in last week's issue, and to these two we frankly apologize.

It has been said that a newspaper never makes an out-and-out apology. Then let this issue of "Our Town" mark a radical, and perhaps, much-needed reformation in American journalism.

The primary purpose of "Our Town" is to print Narberth news, and the opinions and ideas of Narberth folks on subjects that affect the interests and welfare of our people. This it has done, practically to the exclusion of all other subjects; this policy it will continue to follow.

Narberth is a pretty good sort of a home town, and it is going to be even better. The improvements will come largely through community enterprise and activity. "Our Town" believes it has furthered this work in the short time that it has been published, and that it will be able to help in the future.

Naturally, therefore, we do not want to lose any subscribers or readers. Not for the same reason that the ordinary commercial newspaper dislikes to lose readers, but because we do not care to weaken in even the smallest way, the co-operation and support of all our citizens.

However, if any of our citizens feel constrained to discontinue reading "Our Town," there is no way—nor have we any desire, to prevent them from taking such action. If we have offended anyone we apologize. We can't do any more than that, and being human, and having some understanding of that fact, we don't believe in crying over spilt milk.

We're going right on as long as we have enough readers to make it possible to publish. If "Our Town" fails at any time, the loss will fall on the shoulders of every resident of Narberth. No, it will not be an intellectual loss, but the loss of an opportunity—the loss of a means to a bigger, broader and better future.

MUSICALE.

The annual musicale of the Fort-nightly Club will be held at the residence of Mrs. A. Loos on Friday evening of this week. The program includes an instrumental quartette, Messrs. Joseph H. Nash and A. Sheldon Woodie, Jr., violinists; Mr. Wm. P. Nash, cello, and Mr. Frank Stone, piano. Mrs. L. Wayne Arny, soprano, and Miss A. Mary Beisser, contralto, will sing favorite selections. Mrs. F. H. Harjes will add greatly to the enjoyment by readings from Eugene Field, and Miss Fanny Harwood Loos will play a piano solo. The remaining numbers will be cello solos by Mr. L. Wayne Arny and violin solos by Mr. A. J. Loos. As the program includes selections all the way from Bach to Debussy, "le dernier cri" in music, the members and their friends are anticipating a delightful evening.

LIVING TRULY.

Life becomes nobler and happier as the sympathies and offices of life are enlarged. Life is immeasurably vaster than we think, richer in opportunity. To live for others, to suffer for others, is the inevitable condition of our being. Isolation is the measure of lasting pain. We live truly exactly in proportion as we go out of ourselves and enter into the experience of those whom we serve, and by whom in turn we are served.

THE OTHER SIDE.

I was amused as well as interested to notice the late pose of Our Town in favor of "votes for women" in view of the fact that it is ostensibly a "non-partisan" paper, and the recent vote in Congress has demonstrated woman suffrage a great political question with two sides. Under a head of "Votes For Women" Our Town published in a recent issue the account of a New York woman who was unsuccessful in getting money she had helped to earn but had placed in bank under her husband's name. This was unfortunate, but I cannot guess the connection with "votes for women," as this wife—or a child of ten, for that matter—might have deposited her savings in the bank herself or in the postal banks without let or hindrance from her husband, even had it been his entire pay-envelope's contents. Moreover, the point would be better taken if it were not a fact that in several suffrage States the husband can squander his entire property without his wife's consent or signature, a thing he cannot do in male suffrage States, whereas the first legislature in the world to give married women control over their own property was right here in much maligned Pennsylvania in 1848, before "women's rights" were formulated.

Then, in reporting Mrs. Scott Nearing's speech, editorial comment is included to the effect that legislation about "night work" has been brought by "votes for women." This is rather unusual, as up to January 1, 1914, no suffrage State prohibited night labor for women, although many male suffrage States do, and a report I have before me, issued by the American Labor Legislation Review for 1914, states that no suffrage State had passed any reform legislation in the past year, except Colorado, in minor matters, whereas Massachusetts, New York, and various other male suffrage States took the lead. Then, too, the eight-hour law in some suffrage States—which, by the way, was passed before women voted—allows 8 hours every day, or 56 hours a week, certainly not the equal of our 54-hour laws, and night regulations in leading male suffrage States. When we consider that most suffrage States keep everything "wide open" on Sundays, saloons, theatres, and business houses, often, it demonstrates failure when women cannot get a six-day week.

A faithful comparison of remedial and protective legislation shows that women are much more able to get needed laws as due to their womanhood and mission to mother the world than as the sexless "persons" who drop a "piece of paper into a ballot box."

And I, for one, do not believe our American women are so "petty," or soap-box oratory, house-to-house can "gossip" or "narrow" that they need vassages, caucuses, conventions, elections, etc., to "broaden and develop" them. Our homes are not harems in the United States; neither are our wovnen "slaves," kept from that great mysterious something called the "world." If a woman is not in the "world" now, as the mother of the race, the teacher and inspirer of childhood, the partner and companion of man, it is hard to see how she can be brought into it by the piece of paper "once or twice a year on the way to market." Socially, morally, educationally and economically, women are supreme in their own sphere, as women, and even the most ardent suffragists admit that the majority of women are well satisfied with the distinction that Nature, and not "man made laws" has placed upon them. Suffrage is a fad, but sex is a fact.

As for school suffrage—that is not the sort of thing they are screaming for from soap boxes. In Massachusetts, with school suffrage, and the oldest and strongest suffrage organization in the country, fewer women voted on school questions in 1914 than since the early nineties, I believe, although they were offered additional inducements this year. It is the same in England, where they have every form of vote the men have except the Parliamentary franchise—and no woman has been a Mayor of an English town for two years, though the Pankhursts and their ilk have been destroying priceless treasures during that period in trying to get control of the body that decides military, naval, fiscal and national affairs, and which should be under the administration of the men who are responsible for the enforcement of its laws and its attitude towards other nations.

If women could vote to-morrow on everything but commercial credits or the bonded debt, the hysterical few

would still feel slighted because they didn't get a chance to vote on those things. It's the way of some women. The suffrage story has two sides, and unless Our Town is willing to run both sides, it should be "neutral" and "non-partisan" in a town where a fairly accurate poll at the pageant demonstrated a rather surprising majority against woman suffrage.

J. S. Eichelberger.

WHO'S WHO IN NARBERTH. BOROUGH OFFICERS.

Burges—Geo. M. Henry.
Treasurer—Edwin P. Dold.
Clerk of Councils—Chas. V. Noel.
Tax Collector—James F. Sherron.
Street Commissioner—W. S. McClellan.

Building Inspector—G. W. Light.

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A. P. Redifer.
Robert G. Savill.
Wm. D. Smedley.
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Secretary—A. P. Redifer.
Health Officer—W. S. McClellan.
Members—Dr. Clarence T. Fairies, T. B. Du Marias, Carden Warner and Chas. V. Noel.

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President, Chas. E. Kreamer; secretary, Charles V. Noel; financial secretary, E. C. Stokes; treasurer, Carden Warner; chief engineer, Chas. V. Noel; first assistant engineer, Edw. Wipf; second assistant engineer, A. P. Redifer; third assistant engineer, John G. Walton; fourth assistant engineer, A. W. Needham.

ANOTHER CHAMPIONSHIP FOR NARBERTH.

An increase of 107 new scholars, more than doubling the membership from 101 in June, 1914, to 208 in January, 1915, an average attendance advancing from 40 to 106, of whom 52 per cent. are men and boys, all within a period of six months, establishes a new record for Sunday school work in Narberth.

This notable achievement has been accomplished by the Sunday school of the Methodist Episcopal Church. With an enrollment of 208 exclusive of all losses and removals, it is now the largest Methodist school along the suburban section of the Main Line.

A gain of 91 has been recorded in the adult, intermediate and primary departments, an increase of 71 to the recent enrollment of 162. The Cradle Roll of 7 increased to 20.

One of the notable facts is the splendid gain in the number of men. Two classes were organized, one for men and another for young men. Starting with half a dozen of members these classes now have a total of 47.

The equipment has been trebled and enthusiasm abounds in starting the new year with an effort to gain 100 more for the year. From an inactive handful of faithful scholars the school has become one of power and force in the community. A splendid staff of men and women teachers is co-operating with the superintendent and pastor in seeking a better knowledge of the Bible.

The "Little Church on the Hill" is proud of her Sunday school. She should be, for the spiritual growth has kept pace with the increase of numbers. A warm, evangelistic, helpful and friendly spirit prevails. A number of the men and young men have united with the church. Pastor and people are one in advancing the cause of Christ in our community.—Dr. F. W. Sadler.

PRUNING OF SHADE AND ORNAMENTAL TREES.

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necessary to cut out the fruit tree that has not been pruned, at least one-third of the entire amount of branches. Of course, a fruit tree that has had attention right along will not need such drastic measures; but it should be kept open, so that fruit may grow throughout the top. Fruit will never mature or perhaps even set if the crown or top of the tree is too dense. To be sure, you would always have some fruit on the extreme ends of the branches even then.

ON THE 8.14

And Elsewhere in Our Town

Like Billy Sunday, we're not going "to bawl out any sinners personally," but we do propose to tell you, as straight as we know how, that the condition of the ground around the railroad station is a disgrace.

Never mind, Mr. Rae, you may keep your seat; this isn't another uprising of commuters. However, if you feel disposed to help us, we'll all be obliged to you.

The subject at hand is the way waste paper is littered over the ground and sidewalks on both sides of the station.

What's the matter, fellow commuters, aren't the waste paper boxes big enough; aren't they emptied often enough?

We're not kidding; we mean that. If any of the blame belongs to the town or the railroad company, write a few lines to the editor of "Our Town."

Whatever the trouble, it ought to be discovered and remedied. In the meanwhile, you can help a lot by being a little more thoughtful, as you open and read your letters; as you unwrap packages; as you go through your pockets "cleaning out the trash."

Here we are, living out here on the Main Line, pretending to be civilized, and oh, so very refined and cultured, and pretty nearly all the time the ground around the station looks like the "morning after" Barnum & Bailey have pulled up stakes and moved on to Hazleton or Norristown or some other big metropolitan center.

First robin seen last Saturday! Over back of Ardmore, but headed in the direction of Narberth. Kindo' backs up that "spring dope" in last week's issue; still—we're not bragging, remembering the weather forecaster who prophesied a clear inauguration day one March a few years back.

How does the reorganization plan of the Y. M. C. A. appeal to you? The men who conceived it, and are giving their time to the execution of the new plans, are not "candidates for office." And it is about as near the genuine truth as you will ever get, to say that when a sane and intelligent man gives of his time and brains, after he is through with his bread-and-butter job, there must be something to the idea or ideal for which he is working. That's the situation at the Y. M. C. A., to a T.

It follows, therefore, that what is proposed by these men affects you. If the new plans are carried to a successful conclusion you will be benefited; if the plans fail you will suffer. You can't escape. The Y. M. C. A. is now virtually a community affair.

Who do you suppose composes the community? For answer we refer you to that well known pamphlet which begins "we the people," etc.

First of all, we suggest that you walk around to the Y. M. C. A., some evening and drop in. Look the place over. You'll be surprised at the equipment and the facilities. The Association is now in a position to "put over" almost any plan or suggestion that will make for the pleasure or assistance of the people of Narberth.

One of the managers is on duty each night. He's looking for suggestions; he wants to know what you think about the place and what your ideas are for improving it.

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News of the Churches

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH.

Rev. Andrew T. Burke, Rector.
 Sunday services
 8 A. M.—The Holy Communion.
 9.45 A. M.—The Sunday school.
 11 A. M.—Morning Prayer and Sermon.
 4 P. M.—Evening prayer.

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH.

Sundays: Early Mass, May to September, inclusive, 6.30 A. M., early Mass, October to April, inclusive, 7.00 A. M.; late Mass, 9.30 A. M.
 Masses on holydays: 6.30 and 8.30 A. M.; Masses on weekdays, 8.00 A. M.
 Lenten and other evening devotions, 8 o'clock.

EVANGEL BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. Emerson L. Swift, Pastor.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Clark, Ardmore, opened their spacious house to the men's and women's classes last week, Thursday evening. The classes held a business session, then enjoyed the social program provided by the hosts. The women's class will be called the Berean Class and the men's class the Helping Hand Class. They are prepared for active work as well as earnest Bible study. Another meeting of a social nature will be held soon.
 The meeting of the Ushers' Association at the home of Mr. H. S. Hopper, Monday evening, was a notable event. The earnest and practical address of Ernest L. Tustin, Esq., will long be remembered. Important meetings are being planned for the future.
 The services of last Sunday were well attended and helpful in spite of the disagreeable weather. The Bible School will be held next Sunday at 9.45 and preaching service at 11. The Young People's Meeting at 7. This will be another helpful service for the young people. Worship at 7.45. First of a series of sermons on "The Law of God." The topics are as follows: "God's Law and God;" "God's Law and Perfection;" "God's Law and Lawlessness;" "God's Law and Penalty;" "God's Law and Liberty."

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. Chris. G. Koppel, Pastor.
 January 24:
 9.45—Sunday school, classes for men and women.
 11.00—Worship and sermon.
 6.45—Young People's service.
 7.45—Worship and sermon, singing of merit by chorus choir. We extend a warm and cordial welcome to all services.

The evangelistic note is manifest at the Sunday evening services. A number have responded to the appeals of the pastor and accepted Christ.
 Despite the rain Tuesday evening, ten members of the Men's Bible Class gathered at the home of Dr. Sadler. New members were announced and plans adopted for the further development of the class. An interesting feature of this class is the study of the Bible each Sunday morning without the aid of lesson leaves. Dr. Sadler is creating intense interest by his teaching methods.

A "Martha Washington Supper" will be served by the Ladies' Aid Society in the lecture room of the church on Washington's Birthday, Monday, February 22. Particulars as to cards of admission and other arrangements will be announced later.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Rev. John Van Ness, Pastor.
 Sunday, January 24:
 10 A. M.—Sabbath school, a welcome for all.
 11 A. M.—Public worship with sermon by the pastor on "The Fact of Christ in History and Experience."
 7 P. M.—Junior congregation; leaders, Walter Nevin and Earl Smith.
 7.45 P. M.—Song service and sermon on "Fighting the Midianites."
 The Sabbath school is rejoicing in the possession of 100 copies of the Hymn Book used in the Sunday campaign. These books will also be used in the Young People's meetings.
 Most of the congregation have attended the revival meetings in the city at various times and have been greatly helped thereby. Reports of these meetings are given at the Wednesday evening prayer-meetings.

MERION MEETING HOUSE.

Montgomery Avenue and Meeting House Lane.
 Merion Meeting House is opened for worship every First-day at 10.30 A. M. Visitors are cordially welcome.
 Isaac Wilson, one of the best known ministers among the Friends, will attend Merion Meeting on First Month 24. It is hoped that every Friend in this vicinity as well as every one interested will avail themselves of an opportunity, not often afforded such a small meeting as Merion, and attend.

MAIN LINE BASKET BALL LEAGUE.

Closely Contested Game Won By Narberth From Ardmore.

Narberth defeated the Ardmore team in a league contest by the close score of 24-21, the guarding of both teams being close. The feature of the game was Campbell's foul goal shooting, which was a big factor in keeping the score so close. Line-up: Narberth. Ardmore. E. Davis forward Bartlett V. Fleck forward Godfrey L. Jeffries centre Campbell W. Humphries guard Yocum W. Nevin guard Belcher
 Goals—Narberth: E. Davis 3, Fleck 2, Jeffries 1, Humphries 1. Ardmore: Bartlett 3, Belcher 1. Foul goals: Humphries 10, Campbell 13. Referee: Bob Towne, Haverford. Scorer and timekeeper: Earl F. Smith. Time of halves—20 minutes.

Rough Game Won by Narberth.
 Last Thursday evening Narberth defeated the West Philadelphia High School stars by the score of 39 to 20. The game was rough and exciting all the time. Fleck, Narberth's star guard, was unlucky enough to have his thumb dislocated. The line-up: Narberth. West Phila. E. Davis forward White A. Kirk forward Harvey L. Davis centre Altofer Fleck guard J. Brown (Durbin, Capt.) Humphries guard P. Brown
 Goals—Narberth: E. Davis 4, Kirk 3, L. Davis 4, Fleck 1, Humphries 1. West Philadelphia: White 2, Harvey 2, Altofer 1, Brown 1. Fouls: L. Davis 13, White 3, Harvey 5. Time of halves: 20 minutes. Referee: Dr. Hoffman, Hahnemann. Scorer and timekeeper: Earl F. Smith.
 Next Saturday evening Narberth plays Overbrook at Narberth.

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Overbrook	3	3	.500
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Well I guess. We did it again. Narberth defeated West Philadelphia Stars.
 Narberth also defeated Ardmore in the regular league game, 24 to 21.

"Walt" Nevin and Harvey Humphreys, the two guards, were the stars of the Ardmore game. They not only kept the scoring down, but they were in every play, and their untiring efforts brought many plaudits from the crowd.
 The Juniors should be placed on the roll of honor. They won eight games without a defeat. A great record. Colwyn Humphreys is a big factor in all the victories.

"Dick" Wallace, the Varsity guard of the U. of P. Basketball team, is going to come back to his old home town and give the team a few pointers. Dick played his first game of basket ball in the local Y. M. C. A. and, yet, some people say the Y. M. C. A. is a useless building. The greatest asset to a fellow's athletic career is his early training, and Wallace received that at the Y. M. C. A.

Earle Dickie has recently been added to the Narberth list.
 Narberth H. S. played their first game, after a brief rest, over the Christmas holidays. Turkey, plum pudding, etc., did not have a very bad effect on them as they defeated Ambler H. S. by the score of 25 to 13.

Everybody out to the next league game, Saturday night, with Overbrook. Overbrook has recently added to their list two Girard College stars and a very hard game is expected.

President Rose, of the Main Line Base Ball League, and Charlie Humphreys, the old base ball star, are earnest supporters of the team.

The team is very sorry on account of the fight which occurred during the recent West Philadelphia game. It was unavoidable and if the people in the gallery had remained there, instead of jumping over on the floor, the fight would have stopped immediately.

Charlie Kerwood, the Maine Line reporter, in a recent interview with a Narberthite, remarked that Narberth was the liveliest town for athletics he has ever seen.

A game between the University of Pennsylvania freshmen team and the local team is pending. If it is arranged, a large crowd is expected.

The Narberth team journeyed to Ardmore and saw the Lower Merion-Brown Prep. game at the Lower Merion building. They showed the Narberth spirit when they made the building ring with cheers for Lower Merion.

Our last appeal:—Don't forget the game Saturday night. Come and bring your friends.—Signed, Le Bonbon Enfant.

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REPORT OF NARBERTH'S TREASURER.

Gentlemen:
 We, the undersigned Auditors of the Borough of Narberth, have examined the books and accounts of Mr. E. P. Dold, Treasurer, and submit the following statements:

General Borough Account—Receipts.

Balance from last audit	\$ 73.23
From J. F. Sherron, Tax Collector	14,998.74
From Building Inspector's fees	340.00
From Loans—West End Trust Co.	1,350.00
From Loans—Central Trust Co.	2,600.00
From A. D. Smith and Son—discount on material50
From Rental of steam roller	7.50
From Refund on freight	5.22
From Sale of stone	15.00
From Sale of manure	2.50
From Sale of dirt	104.65
From Sale of other material	23.50
From W. T. Harris	25.00
From W. D. Smedley—Police and Health Com.	3.85
From W. B. Godfrey—taxes of Margaret Riley	9.22
From Permits	129.50
From State Insurance Tax	29.28
From Fines	5.00
From License fees	6.00
From interest on deposits	18.77
	\$19,747.56

Disbursements.

Item	
1—For salary of Clerk of Council	\$ 100.00
2—For necessary legal expenses	47.77
3—For salary of Borough Treasurer	100.00
4—For salary of Street Commissioner	400.00
5—For rental of fire hydrants	505.90
8—For street lighting	2,165.87
9—For stationery, publishing ordinances, incidentals and general Council expenses	407.90
10—For rent of Council Chamber	200.00
11—	8,993.13
13—For interest on Three Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500), balance of a loan of Twelve Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (12,500)	140.00
15—For interest of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500), balance of a loan of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000)	75.00
17—For interest on One Thousand Dollars \$(1,000), balance of a loan of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000)	40.00
18—For sinking fund to pay principal of a loan of Twenty-seven Thousand Dollars (\$27,000)	800.00
19—For interest on Twenty-four Thousand, Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$24,750), balance of a loan of Twenty-seven Thousand Dollars (\$27,000)	990.00
20—For State tax on loans	286.30
21—For expense of Tax Collector's bond and stationery	51.10
22—For expense of Treasurer's bond	20.00
24—	860.00
25—	78.19
26—	210.00
For Building Inspector's fees	335.00
For repayment of loans—	

West End Trust Co.	2,500.00
For police expenses	244.29
For refund of license fees	11.00
For Narberth Fire Co. Relief Association	29.28
For Sewer Construction Acct.—laterals	8.50
To balance	147.73
	\$19,747.56

The following warrants have not been presented to banks for payment—Nos. 2649, 2666, 2675, 2676 and 2680, amounting to \$410.69, the bank balance is, therefore, this amount in excess of book balance, or \$558.42.

Current Cash Account—Receipts.

Balance last audit	\$ 13.75
From warrants to E. P. Dold, Treasurer	3,215.40
From interest on deposits	2.46
	\$3,231.61

Disbursements.

For expenditures to W. S. McClellan, Street Commissioner	\$3,054.14
For interest transferred to General Fund	2.47
To balance	175.00
	\$3,231.61

Sewer Construction Account—Receipts

Balance last audit	\$ 16.41
Transferred from Sewer Maintenance Account	500.00
Transferred from General Fund	8.50
From W. T. Harris—sewer construction	72.50
From loan—Central Trust Co.	500.00
From interest on deposits	1.32
	\$1,098.73

Disbursements.

From plans and stakes	\$ 9.78
For sewer construction	665.50
For laterals	270.85
For inspection	30.00
For manhole	4.90
To balance	117.90
	\$1,098.73

Warrant No. 2661, amounting to \$18.00, has not been presented to bank for payment, the bank balance is, therefore, this amount in excess of book balance, or \$135.90.

(To be Continued)

BASKET BALL.

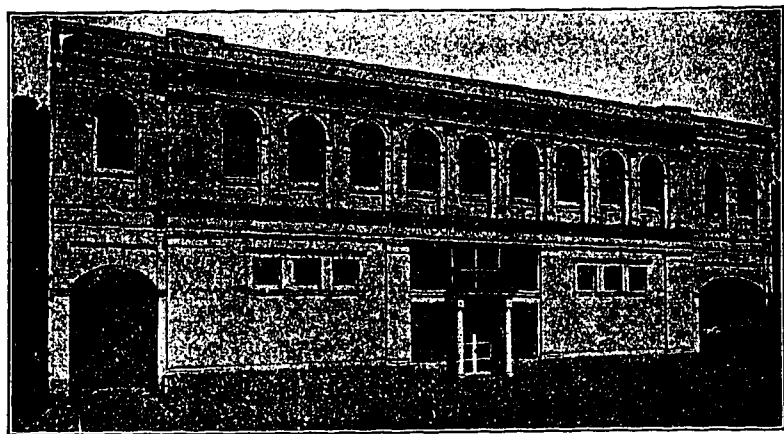
Narberth H. S. Defeats Ambler H. S. by the Score of 25 to 13.

The game which was held last Friday in the Y. M. C. A. building was exciting from the opening until the final whistle blew; and, although roughly played, showed improvement in the playing of the high school lads. Capt. McCarter was the star of the game, accumulating four field goals and one foul, and center Downes, of the local team, showed great improvement over his former games. His best effort was two field goals. The bright star for the visitors was the foul shooting of Davis. The Ambler lads showed unsportsmanlike conduct when they criticized the refereeing of "Bill" Durbin, as Durbin called ten fouls on Narberth and only 6 on the visitors. The line-up: Narberth H. S. Ambler H. S.
 Winne forward Urban
 McCarter forward Davis
 Downes center Haywood
 Smith guard Rapp
 Odell guard Edgerton
 Field goals—Narberth, McCarter, 4; Downes, 2; Smith, 2; Odell, 2; Winne, 1; Ambler, Urban, 2; Haywood 1; Rapp, 1. Foul goals—Narberth, Smith, 2 out of 6; McCarter, 1; Ambler, Davis, 5 out of 10. Referee—"Bill" Durbin, Haverford School. Scorer—L. Davis, L. M. H. S.

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