

For forms of government let
fools contest;
Whate'er is best administered
is best.

OUR TOWN

In Faith and Hope the world
will disagree,
But all mankind's concern is
Charity.

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DO YOU WANT A WINNING BALL TEAM NEXT SEASON?

IT IS UP TO ALL OF US TO
SUPPORT THE ATHLETIC
ASSOCIATION.

What kind of a base ball team shall Narberth have next season? The word SHALL is used because this is purely a question of command—command on the part of you, your neighbor and everybody else's neighbor.

What the people of this borough want in the base ball line, and are willing to back up, the active base ball fans and those who are experienced in handling and managing a team, will give us.

Next summer will be the time to play championship ball, but NOW is the time to talk about the team and make plans for next season. It's all very well to swell up with pride when Narberth is leading the Main Line League, along about August 1, and someone says something about "that Narberth team," but it takes more than pride to make a winning team.

In the season just past Narberth won the Main Line League championship in a way that earned for the players, the captain and manager, the backers, and the whole town in fact, the highest praise. Under the able captaincy and management of "Pop" Coryell the Narberth team won 18 games, losing only two contests during the entire season.

If any one of us could conduct our personal business on a basis of 90 per cent. bull's-eyes out of a possible 100, we'd be so cheery the Pennsylvania Railroad would have to put on an extra car with a double side door entrance for our August Majesty every time we went to town and came back again. Yet that is exactly what "Pop" Coryell did, and we're all proud of him and his team. Winning eighteen and lose only 2 games is 90 per cent. of the possible victories, and there are very few towns throughout the country that can show as good a record.

But it costs money to run any kind of a base ball team, and it costs considerable to retain a No. 1 players and pay the necessary expenses.

Last year a number of our citizens who were most actively interested in base ball formed the Narberth Athletic Association. The organization was chartered under the laws of Delaware and stock issued. The amount of stock subscribed gave the association sufficient capital for a start, and it made a start last summer—a start that will be remembered in suburban base ball circles for a long time.

But this is the question to be answered right now: Shall Narberth continue to retain its position at the top of the base ball column next season? It will if the citizens of the borough stand back of the Athletic Association and give it unanimous, hearty and substantial support.

What are your views on base ball in Narberth. Mr. Reader? "Our Town" is your paper—your means of stating your views on this and every other subject. Write to the editor and tell us your ideas on a base ball team.

Base ball is just as much a community affair as the school question or any other borough problem. As stated by one man who has given generously of his time and money to help make the Narberth team the best on the Main Line: "With the exception of the Historical Pageant the town has never received more free advertising than has been derived from her ball teams."

There isn't a cleaner, saner, healthier and more enjoyable sport on the whole calendar than base ball. It's the ideal game to play and the ideal game to watch—"extra-ideal" when your town has the winning championship team.

What are you going to do about base ball in Narberth next season? Let's hear the views of everyone. The columns of "Our Town" are open to you.

Grand opera "made in America,"
listens well.

Dame Righter Rong.

TWO SCHOOL DIRECTORS RESIGN

Two members of the Board of Education resigned at Monday night's meeting. They were Messrs. Jefferies and Duff.

The action of these two directors was the result of the defeat of the school loan at the November election. In resigning they have followed the custom of an English ministry in quitting when its party is defeated at a popular election. Messrs. Jefferies and Duff were staunch supporters of the plan to erect an additional school on a site adjoining the present article.

New members, to fill the vacancies, will probably be appointed by the Board at its next meeting.

TO ORGANIZE A GLEE CLUB.

The young men of Narberth who gave such a successful minstrel show, November 21, have made arrangements to repeat the show at West Chester and Paoli in the near future. They will hold a meeting at the home of Earl Smith, Friday evening, to organize as a Glee Club. It is the intention of the young men to give another show in Narberth within the next six weeks with entire change of program. Bill Dennis, the musical director, intends adding a special number made up of six little girls in a dancing act.

HORACE MOORE LOSES LEFT HAND IN GUNNING ACCIDENT.

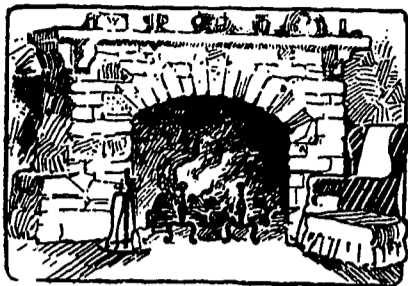
Horace Moore, one of the best known young men in Narberth, met with a serious accident one day last week, while on a gunning trip. In climbing a fence he placed his left hand over the mouth of the gun barrel, the butt of the weapon resting on the ground. Although it was a hammerless gun the shell was exploded, evidently the result of a jar.

The accident occurred on the outskirts of the Borough and although Mr. Moore suffered severely from the shock and the loss of blood, he was able with the assistance of a couple of workmen to reach the office of the Romain C. Hoffman.

The wound was dressed temporarily and then Mr. Moore went with Dr. Hoffman to Hahnemann Hospital where it was found necessary to amputate the hand.

Y. M. C. A. AUXILIARY TO HAVE PROGRAM OF FESTIVITIES.

The program committee of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Narberth Y. M. C. A. has obtained unusual talent for the monthly meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 8, at 2.30 P. M. in the Y. M. C. A. building. Mrs. Frank Miles Day, president of the Philadelphia Civic Club, a woman of wide experience in social education and work for the betterment of humanity, will speak. Master Lester Haws, boy soprano of the Church of the Redeemer, at Bryn Mawr, will sing. Mrs. Arville Howard Cole will read. Every woman interested is urged to be present and to bring friends. This is the last meeting of the current year, election of officers being the business of the meeting of January, 1915.



THE FIRESIDE

By Lady Narberth

Mr. and Mrs. James W. Gurley, of Newark, N. J., are spending the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Nickerson, of Elmwood avenue, where their wedding bells rang on a bright day last June.

Mrs. Albert Golze has so far recovered from her long illness that she was able to be down to her Thanksgiving dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. D. Lindsey, of Maplewood, New Jersey, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with Mrs. Lindsey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kirk, of Woodside avenue.

Miss Linda Town Kirk is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. Wm. D. Lindsey, of Maplewood, N. J.

We are glad to hear that Claude Hartman has fully recovered from his motorcycle accident.

Mrs. G. Dando and daughter have been visiting friends at Royersford. Miss Florence Hartman, of 104 Dudley avenue, and Mr. Edward Stabnan, of 1448 Bradley avenue, Camden, N. J., were married on Wednesday, December 2, by the Rev. Thos. R. Beeber, of First Presbyterian Church, of Norristown. They will reside in Camden, N. J.

Mrs. Charles H. Holland, of New York, mother of Mrs. Chris. G. Koppell; Mrs. Chris. G. Koppell, of Philadelphia, mother of Mr. Koppell, and Miss Maude B. Fabian, of Trenton, have been the guests of Rev. and Mrs. Chris. G. Koppell, of Essex avenue.

Mrs. E. G. Wurst and her mother, Mrs. F. L. Prichard, of Chestnut avenue, have gone to Orlando, Florida, for the winter. Mr. Wurst owns a large orange grove near Orlando, and will join his wife there later. Mrs. Prichard has considered it worth while to have "Our Town" make a weekly visit to her in Florida.

Mrs. Robert H. Durbin has fully recovered from her recent illness.

Mr. Robert Plank, of Carlisle, spent Thanksgiving with his mother, Mrs. R. E. Plank, of Forrest avenue.

On Saturday evening, November 21, at the Methodist parsonage, Miss Mary W. McGovern, of Overbrook, and Mr. Geo. B. Heald, of Overbrook, were married by Rev. Chris. G. Koppell. They will reside at 131 Conway avenue.

Miss Sadie L. Bowen, of Morrisville, and Mr. Robert S. Thorpe, of Ardmore, were married at the Methodist parsonage on Wednesday, November 25, by Rev. Chris. G. Koppell. Mrs. Thorpe and Miss Thorpe, a trained nurse, of Ardmore, mother and sister of the groom, and Dr. Anna Bowen, a physician, of Newark, N. J., a sister of the bride, were the attendants. After an extended wedding trip through New York State, they will make their home in Morrisville.

The Woman's Mission Circle, of the Baptist Church, held a musicale on

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THE NARBERTH CIVIC ASSOCIATION VS. PENNA. R. R. CO.

SCHOOL QUESTION IS TO BE SOLVED

As the result of a conference held last Monday evening between members of The Board of Education and a committee of citizens it is believed that the question of the location of the new school will be settled in a manner that will be satisfactory to practically every mother and father in Narberth.

The conference took place at the regular Board meeting, held in the school building, and was attended by President McCarter and Messrs. Jefferies, Ridge and Mullineaux 3d, representing the Board of Education, and Messrs. Southerland, Mecke, Bodansky, Muschamp, Ehlers, Yost and Gara, representing the voters of the Borough who were most active in the campaign leading up to the defeat of the proposed school loan, at the recent election.

Mr. Southerland acted as spokesman for The Citizens' Committee. He first stated that he believed he expressed the will of the majority of the voters when he declared that it was generally agreed that the Borough needed additional school facilities and that an overwhelming majority of the people were in favor of the proposed loan, as an abstract proposition. But, he added, he thought the objection to the loan was based on a popular opposition to the Board's avowed plan to erect an additional building on a site adjoining the grounds of the present school. However, the election being a thing of the past, and the proposed loan defeated, he wanted to assure the members of the Board that the citizens whom he represented felt a very decided responsibility on account of the action they had taken and the influence they had exerted, and that he and the other members of the Citizens' Committee were present to offer their assistance and co-operation with the Board in the working out of any plan that that body might suggest for the solution of the school question. He then read the following resolution with the list of signers:

"At a meeting held by a number of representative citizens, November 9, 1914, the following resolution was unanimously passed:

"Whereas: At a recent election held in the Borough of Narberth, the petition of the School Board for a loan of \$62,500 was defeated, and

"Whereas: The defeat of the loan carries with it a responsibility which the opposition to the loan felt should be recognized, be it

"Resolved: That we as such representatives express our willingness to co-operate with the School Board in any manner that will further the welfare of our school affairs consistent with the expressed desire of the majority of our voters, and be it further

"Resolved: That a committee be appointed to present this resolution to the School Board and ascertain from them what action they propose to take in reference to the school problems which now confront us."

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PROTEST AGAINST RATE INCREASE FILED WITH PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

Committee Takes Action on Behalf of the People.

The committee of five appointed at the meeting held November 23, to protest against the proposed rate increase, have prepared and filed with the Public Service Commission a formal petition asking for an investigation and also a suspension of the new schedule until final hearing can be had.

While the authority of the Commission to suspend rates is doubtful, the attitude of former Governor Pennypacker at the preliminary hearing held in the City Hall last Friday indicated that the members of the Commission were at least not satisfied that they had no such power.

There seems to be considerable merit in the argument that 328 of the Act of July 26, 1913, which provides that "the enumeration of the powers of the commission as herein set forth, shall not exclude any powers which the Commission would otherwise have under any of the provisions of this Act," is broad enough in its scope, when read in connection with other sections of the Act, to permit the Commission to suspend rates pending inquiry into their reasonableness.

The committee attended the central meeting of committees at the Garrick Theatre last week, and also presented oral complaint before the Commission on Friday. The formal petition, filed on Monday of this week, is as follows:

To the Honorable Public Service Commissioners of the State of Pennsylvania:

Your petitioners complain and say:

1. That the Narberth Civic Association is composed of residents of the Borough of Narberth and vicinity, in the County of Montgomery, State of Pennsylvania, said Borough being located on the Main Line of the Pennsylvania Railroad seven miles from Broad Street Station, Philadelphia, and the said railroad is the only means of travel by common carrier to and from said city of Philadelphia.

2. That at the time of presenting this petition and for many years prior thereto, your petitioners have enjoyed the benefits of commutation passenger rates over the line of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company from said Borough of Narberth to the city of Philadelphia at the prices set forth in column one of a schedule hereto annexed marked "Exhibit A," and made a part of this petition.

3. That new schedules, to take effect December 15th, 1914, have recently been filed in the office of said company at Narberth and at other stations along said railroad, which show certain changes and increase in the rates of fare to be charged your petitioners and all other persons using said railroad at the station of Narberth, as appears in column two of a schedule hereto annexed marked "Exhibit A," and made a part of this petition.

4. That your petitioners believe, and therefore aver, that the changes and increase in fares as provided in said new schedule is, as a whole, discriminatory, unjust and unreasonable as to your petitioners, and are furthermore arbitrarily fixed and not based upon any insufficiency of revenue from suburban travel.

5. That the withdrawal from sale of the 100-trip tickets is especially burdensome upon many of your petitioners, in that such tickets are used by a large number of them, and such withdrawal compels petitioners to purchase other kinds of tickets at greatly increased cost, as is more fully set forth in the third and fourth columns of a schedule hereto annexed, marked "Exhibit A," and made a part of this petition.

6. That the withdrawal of the 10-trip ticket from sale is unjust and unreasonable in that it increases the cost of that class of travel to an unreasonable amount.

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Do Not Fail to Attend the NARBERTH FIRE CO. Bazaar

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, December 3rd, 4th, 5th.
AFTERNOON AND EVENING

OUR TOWN

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Our Town is on sale at the depot news-stand, and at the store of H. E. Davis.

Entered as second-class matter, October 15, 1914, at the Post Office at Narberth, Pennsylvania, under the Act of March 3, 1879.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1914

EDITORIAL NOTES

A BIG STEP FORWARD.

Much permanent good is bound to come of the conference between the members of The Board of Education and The Committee of Citizens. It marks the beginning of a co-operation between the parents and the taxpayers, and the directors of our schools, that is absolutely essential if the community is to realize to the full the benefits of its educational system.

We read much of "directors that do not direct" but some of the worst offenders in this respect have been the people themselves. It is your money, fellow citizens, that supports the school system, and the educational problem is your problem. A Board of Education has the right to expect your intelligent and earnest co-operation and assistance. Mr. McCarter, president of the Borough Board, has taken the right stand, and it is the duty of every one of us to give thought to our school affairs and help the Board in every way possible.

Narberth has no problem that is more important than the question of proper and adequate school facilities.

THE FIRE COMPANY.

The history of our fire company was a revelation to many who have not always lived in Narberth; in fact many, even of the older residents, did not know the real facts of its development. There is an opportunity now to express substantially the interest aroused, not only by the good article but through the exceedingly fine demonstration given by the fire company at our Historical Pageant in June. Fire protection is absolutely necessary, therefore let us give the Narberth Fire Company our liberal, cheerful support.

NEW BOOKS

Have You Read These?

THE MYSTERY OF THE ORIENTAL RUG.

About as learned in the matter of Oriental rugs is the average buyer as of the language of their weavers. "A pig in a poke" is the attitude of those who quest and purchase according to the dealer's or salesman's information. Dr. G. Griffin Lewis has written much concerning these treasures of the Orient in his "The Mystery of the Oriental Rug." With infinite patience and amazing knowledge he teaches us not only how to tell which from which, but why. He shows us symbols and figures that mean so much to those who know, and nothing whatever to those who do not. He explodes countless fallacies that most of us have harbored in our ignorance as infallible guides to successful selecting. The practical value of such a book some years ago would have been comparatively little: to-day everyone who pretends to any culture in the matter of household decoration, owns at least a few Oriental rugs. It is not only because they are the chosen floor coverings for polished floors, but because they will out-wear any rug made, hence their vogue everywhere.—Lippincott's.

Brower.

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able extent, as is more fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, marked "Exhibit A," and made a part of this petition.

7. That the discontinuance of the sale of round-trip tickets is unjust and unreasonable, in that it amounts to an increase in the cost of that class of travel to an unreasonable extent, as is more fully set forth in a schedule hereto annexed, marked "Exhibit A," and made a part of this petition.

8. That the Borough of Narberth is a residential suburb of the city of Philadelphia, many of your petitioners having been induced to take up their residence there, and to purchase property in said Borough, in reliance upon the low rates of commutation fare advertised by said Pennsylvania Railroad Company in its schedules, which said schedules had been in force for many years, and that said proposed increase of commutation rates and the withdrawal of certain tickets from sale will cause a depreciation in the value of such property, and will to that extent amount to a confiscation thereof.

9. That your petitioners are informed and believe, and therefore aver, that similar increases of rates have been scheduled to take effect at many other places on the line of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in the vicinity of Philadelphia, and further that schedules showing similar changes and increases, and to take effect at the same time, have been filed by all other railroad companies having stations or terminals in the city of Philadelphia, and therefore that said increase complained of is the result of an unlawful combination or conspiracy to exact additional rates, rather than a bona fide attempt to procure funds necessary to the proper operation of said roads, and in this respect is a violation of the interstate commerce laws.

Your petitioners therefore respectfully ask:

First—That the said Pennsylvania Railroad Company be called upon to satisfy this complaint or to answer the same in writing within such reasonable time as may be designated by your honorable body.

Second—That on failure of said company to satisfy this complaint, a time and place of hearing be fixed and said railroad company be ordered to produce such books of accounts, etc., as may be necessary to a proper determination of the reasonableness of the rates complained of.

Third—That the burden of showing that the proposed changes in rates as per schedule filed are just and reasonable, be placed upon said Pennsylvania Railroad Company as is provided by law.

Fourth—That said Pennsylvania Railroad Company be ordered and directed to suspend the enforcement of the new schedule of rates pending investigation and until final hearing.

Fifth—That said schedule be declared unjust, unreasonable, discriminatory and confiscatory as to your petitioners, and that an order be made restraining said Pennsylvania Railroad Company from carrying it into effect.

Sixth—Such other relief as Your Honorable body may deem just and the circumstances warrant.

GEO. M. HENRY,
Attorney for Petitioners.

County of Montgomery:
State of Pennsylvania:

W. Arthur Cole, being duly sworn according to law, says that he is the secretary of the Narberth Civic Association, and that the foregoing petition is presented on behalf of himself individually and also on behalf of other members of said Association at their request, and that the facts set forth are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30th day of November, 1914.

W. ARTHUR COLE.

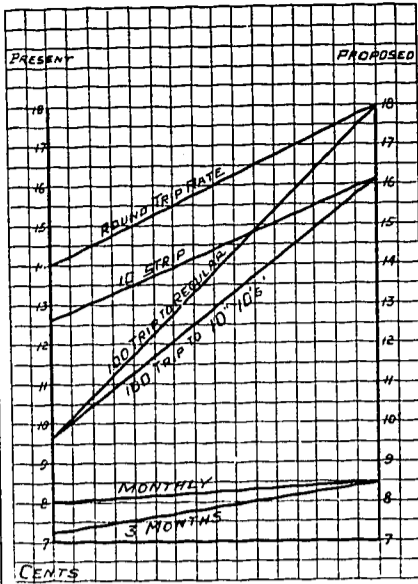
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WM. S. McCLELLAN,
Justice of the Peace.

Commission expires January 5, 1920.

EXHIBIT A. Changes in Passenger Fares Between Philadelphia and Narberth, Pa.

| 1 Present | 2 Proposed | 3 Increase. | 4 % Increase. |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Monthly (60)\$4.80 | Monthly\$5.05 | \$0.25 | 5.21 |
| School (46) 3.68 | School 3.90 | .22 | 5.97 |
| 3 Months (180)12.95 | 3 Months15.15 | 2.20 | 16.98 |
| Round trip28 | Round trip36 | .08 | 28.56 |
| 10 Strip 1.26 | 10 "Bearer" 1.62 | .36 | 28.56 |
| 100 Trip 9.60 | 10 "10's"16.20 | 6.60 | 68.75 |
| 100 Trip 9.60 | Regular fare18.00 | 8.40 | 87.50 |

Graph showing inequity of raise in rates upon different classes of ticket users, based on single trip fare.



NARBERTH WINS MAIN LINE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Narberth won the undisputed Main Line championship on Thanksgiving morning by defeating the strong Wayne Club by the score of 13 to 7, before thirty-five hundred spectators in the hardest fought game in the independent circles this season.

We can be well proud of our victory in several ways, first, we were the first team to score on the Wayne team this year, no other team being able to come anywhere near their goal line; secondly, this being the second consecutive year that the home boys have won the championship, and thirdly being the fact that the Narberth fellows held the strong Wayne Club on their own two yard line for downs, which demonstrated the spirit and strength of our team.

There were no particular stars on the home team, because of the fact that everyone played to their utmost, but Durbin's open field running and general all round generalship from the quarter-back position, and the line plunging of Captain Davis; and Fleck and George Smith with their end runs and tackling were the finest of the day. We must add that the kicking of Moore, the Haverford star, was the best seen on our gridiron for many a day, more than once did he punt the pigskin for seventy yards or more.

For the Wayne Club, MacReynolds put up a first-class game until he was hurt by a deadly diving tackle by Smith. Dickie, of Narberth, was kicked in the eye, but not seriously injured, and Fleck had the ligaments of his ankle torn, but both are on the mend. Line-up:

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|---|---------------------------------|
| Narberth. | Wayne Club. |
| Dickiel. e.....S. Kerk | (G. Smith, W. Jefferies, Quinn) |
| Mellon-Cannon.....l. t..... Walker | |
| Marklel. g.....Engelbert | (Porte) |
| Brownc.....Capt. Kerwood | (C. Humphreys) |
| Finer. g..... Bennett | (P. Kerk) |
| Moorer. t..... Ryan | |
| R. Durbinr. e..... Campbell | (Owings, Lacey, Owings) |
| W. Durbin.....g. b.....MacReynolds | (Hughes) |
| Fleckr. h. b.....Parsons | (G. Smith) |
| W. Humphreys..l. h. b.....Fleming | |
| Capt. Davis.....f. b.....Hallowell | |
| Touchdowns—Narberth, Davis, W. Humphreys; Wayne Club, Walker, Goals—Narberth, W. Durbin; Wayne Club, Fleming; Townee—Green, Haverford, Umpire—Townee, Haverford, Head Linesman—Mowrer, U. of P. Timekeeper—Smith, Narberth. Time of periods—15 minutes. | |

SIX LITTLE BOOKS IN A TRUNK.

Six dear little red books, beautifully illustrated (all old favorites with little tots) are enclosed in a cunning leather (make believe leather) trunk, stamped, strapped and copiously labeled with such Christmasy looking addresses will make the book loving child's eyes dance with delight and charm the most critical grown up. Ask to see six books in a trunk, The Xmas Stocking series. Reilly and Britton Co.

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Tuesday evening, December 1, at the home of Mrs. Wm. P. Smedley, Narberth avenue. The program consisted of piano solo by Miss Maude Ida Wepf; violin solo, Mr. Page; vocal solos by Mrs. Charles R. Jones, Miss Hazel Speirs, of Ardmore, and S. A. Rudolph, 2nd; readings by Mrs. W. Arthur Cole and Robert H. Durbin.

The Chi Pi Sorority gave a progressive dinner on Wednesday evening, November 25.

Miss Vera Artman and Miss Adah Durbin will open a children's playroom in the Narberth Arcade Building where mothers may leave their children while shopping or attending social duties. This is further evidence of Narberth enterprise and deserves patronage.

Mr. and Mrs. Guyon W. Grey gave a birthday dinner Thanksgiving evening in honor of Mr. Edward Stokes. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Edwin P. Dold, Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Metzger and Mr. and Mrs. Edward C. Stokes.

Mr. and Mrs. Rezo Brooks have returned to their Chestnut avenue home, after spending Thanksgiving and the week-end in New York.

Mrs. William B. Goodall, of Dudley avenue, has recovered from a severe cold and her friends will be glad to know that she is about again.

Mrs. Siler, of Wynnewood and Montgomery avenues, has been spending several days in New York. She was accompanied by her young son.

Mrs. Kohler, of Windsor and Dudley avenues, who has been suffering from severe injuries as the result of a fall on a step, made her first trip to town last week. This is the first time she has been able to go to Philadelphia in over two months.

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Signed: "George B. Mecke, L. B. Southerland, William E. Yost, Andrew Greene, J. F. Donnelly, R. Brooks, Charles Noel, E. A. Sickels, W. C. Parker, E. A. Muschamp, William C. Claghorn, W. J. Kirkpatrick, C. E. Humphreys, L. D. Hess, E. S. Taylor, H. C. Gara, J. F. Hepler, W. S. McClellan, Jess S. Harris, C. A. S. McClellan, William F. Fiedler, John A. Snyder, S. Rudolph, W. W. Kirk, John A. Caldwell, A. W. Needham, Henry Russell, J. Berg Esenwein, Walter Covin, A. W. Lewellyn and W. G. Stevenson."

There was some general discussion among the members of the Board and the Citizens' Committee, and then Mr. McCarter stated that personally he would be very glad to have the assistance of any of the citizens in solving the school problem and that he would welcome the recommendation of any plan that would help the Board in obtaining definite knowledge as to just what the majority of the citizens wanted as to the location of a new school, the question of a school playground or any other matter connected with the educational work of the Borough. A majority of the Board expressed similar views.

In closing Mr. Southerland thanked the Board and said that he felt confident that his committee would be able to lay before the members, in the immediate future, some definite and practical recommendations.

LIST OF UNCLAIMED LETTERS AT NARBERTH, PA.

Mrs. Ella H. Bayley, Mrs. G. B. Goodey, Mrs. M. V. D. Hunt, Mrs. M. Mansfield, Mrs. S. L. Robeson, Mrs. Frank Solomon, Mrs. H. A. Stillwell, Mr. Walter Brooke.

LETTERS ON THE NEW R. R. RATES.

The Railroad's Side.

After making a mild protest to the Pennsylvania Railroad against the raising of suburban rates, but more especially as to the doing away with 100-trip and strip tickets, I received a courteous and detailed reply from General Passenger Agent Bell, some parts of which may interest the public generally.

After stating that the net revenue in 1913 on property worth about \$320,000,000 and in the passenger business was less than nine-tenths of one per cent., he gives figures to show that while the traffic has increased, the net revenue has decreased, from 0.414c. per mile in 1908 to 0.146c. in 1913, while the average expense has increased from 1.561c. in same time to 1.802c.

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And Elsewhere in Our Town

For the sake of a beginning we'll suppose that the 5.45 from Broad Street station has just reached Narberth. Men and women are tired from the day's work—and the afternoon's shopping. It is raining. We scoot into the Post Office and out again. The wind drives the rain along in sheets. So we turn up our collars and strike out for home.

Everything considered—the end of the day, the rain, the wind, perhaps a bill or two in the mail—we are quite ready to agree with the fellow who first said "the melancholy days have come, the saddest of the year."

In something of this frame of mind we go trudging along in the rain—gloomier than all the Little Golms that ever illumined a strip of comics. Then all of a sudden something happens! What, do you suppose?

The good, old-fashioned smell of MEAT AND FRIED POTATOES—than which there is nothing finer in all the wide world—comes floating along on the damp night air. Compared with that wholesome, appetizing and altogether delicious aroma the perfume of the sweetest rose or the most fragrant lily is the merest odor.

A vision of the warm and comfortable home instantly fills your mind. The cheery light in the living room; the familiar faces; the genial companionship; the easy slippers and the easy chairs—and a good meal, complete the picture.

And then—
A few steps more and you're home and the vision has become a reality.

Say what you please about the heroes and romance and glory, and everything else that you can think of about war, but—this is the life for me! It's all right to give us a little of that "It's-A-Long-Way-To-Tipperary" stuff on the talking machines but "it's a long way" between that and sitting in a muddy trench waiting for daylight—or a shell full of nice, neat little shrapnel.

All of which proves that we are observing President Wilson's injunction to be absolutely neutral—having discussed the war and yet made no mention of either the Germans or the Allies, and, that beginning with a rainy night and a beefsteak and some fried potatoes we have proved Narberth to be the ideal Home Town even on an otherwise melancholy day.

I see the Editor has suggested a public library; what do you think of the plan? Can't be done in Narberth, you say? I'll tend to you in the next paragraph.

Did you see the article in the Sunday Public Ledger a week or two ago about the \$35,000 opera house that the Italian workmen of Bristol, Pa., have built?

There's as fine an example of the possibilities of co-operative effort as you'll find in many a day. Every bit of work in the whole structure was done by 100 men who were willing to give of their time and abilities to realize their dream of an opera house where they might hear the grand opera of their beloved Verdi and other noted composers. Those ambitious and enterprising Italians bought the ground and the building materials with their own savings, and with their hands they created the structure.

What a community wants it can get, if each citizen will lend a hand and do his share. Out in Missouri a couple of years ago the men of that state and one of the neighboring states took off their coats and rolled up their sleeves and built one of the finest roadways in the country. The governors of the two states were right on the job, "among those present" with shovels in hand, working as hard as the next fellow.

Narberth can have a public library, a championship base ball team and everything else that we want if we all get together and work.

It's time to forget the Maine and remember the Italians of Bristol who built their own opera house and the people of the middle west who built their roadways.

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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.
 There will be a second celebration of the Holy Communion on the first Sunday of each month at 11 o'clock.
 The Thanksgiving Day service will be at 11 o'clock.

THE EVANGEL BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. Emerson L. Swift, Pastor.
 The Teachers' Association will hold its supper and meeting at the church Friday evening at 6.30. Reports of the committees and various departments will be received. Attendance and interest in the Bible School is very encouraging.
 Subject of the sermon next Sunday morning is, "The Work of Christ." The ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be observed.

Subject of the Young People's meeting Sunday evening at 7, "The Life Verse." Rom. 6: 23

Subject of the sermon at 7.45 is, "The Precious Book." This will be followed by two others in a series. The Young People's choir sings at both services.

We invite you to attend the prayer service next Wednesday evening. There is a rising tide of revival spirit that is already apparent in Narberth. This augurs good things for God's work. Get right with him and so help to conserve this coming blessing.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Rev. John Van Ness, Pastor.

Sunday, December 6th, 10 A. M., Bible School, Mr. R. L. Beatty, superintendent. Men's Bible Class led by Mr. B. J. Myers; Mixed Bible Class led by the pastor.

8 P. M., public worship with sermon: "Christ in the Old Testament; or, Approaching Christmas."

7 P. M., Junior Congregation, led by Madeleine McCoy and Mildred Harris. Subject, "Consecration."

8 P. M., public worship with sermon by the pastor, on "The Lot Family."

Miss Jeannette N. Turner has been added to the teaching force of the Sabbath school and will have charge of the Beginners' Department. Miss Turner's kindergarten experience will make her especially fitted for this work. There will be three teachers in this department and a special room has been fitted up for their use. The Sabbath school will celebrate the glad Christmas by a "White Gift Service." The entertainment by the Primary Department will be held on the afternoon of Wednesday, December 23rd, and by the Senior Department on the evening of the same day.

The Ladies' Aid Society held their regular monthly meeting last Wednesday with an attendance that probably was the largest in the history of the society. There are at present seventy-three members enrolled and the number is constantly growing. On the evening of Friday, December 11th, they are planning for wonderful birthday party to which the entire congregation is invited.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Rev. Chris. G. Koppel, Pastor.

Sunday, December 6.
 9.45. Sunday school assembly. Bible study classes for men and women.

11. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Reception of members on profession of faith, and by letter. A class of six young men and women will also be admitted into full membership. The choir will sing a special communion selection.

6.45. Epworth League service conducted especially for young people.

7.45. Subject, "Heaven as Prepared for the Saved." The fourth in the sermon series of "The Angels' Story." Selections by the chorus choir. A warm and cordial welcome for all who come and worship with us.

During the past two Sundays sixteen new scholars joined the Sunday school. In five months ninety-one have been added to the rolls and the average attendance is three times greater than last year. To fully meet this increase the school has purchased three lots of new chairs, singing books and literature. A splendid staff of progressive officers and efficient lead-

ers are ministering to all needs. Special emphasis is placed upon systematic Bible study and evangelism. Mr. Pedrick's and Mrs. Reeder's classes contributed to the cargoes of the relief ships recently sent to Europe. The pipe organ fund during the week was swelled by \$205. This is a popular project and everyone seems anxious to help.

The new members received in the church during the present pastorate will be tendered a reception by the Ladies' Aid Society in the lecture room Friday evening, December 11th. This will be a great night for local Methodism.

Congregations continue to increase. From a handful the average evening attendance has reached the one hundred mark. Many young people are in evidence. The older members rejoice.

Mr. Stite's Young Men's Bible Class cleared \$126 with their minstrel entertainment. Congratulations for the boys, and hearty thanks for the community's generous support.

"The New Minister," a humorous and musical entertainment, under the auspices of the choir, will be given in Elm Hall in January. About forty-five young people will take part.

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 holidays: 6.30 and 8.30 A. M.; Masses on weekdays, 8.00 A. M.

Lenten and other evening devotions, 8 o'clock.

ENTERTAINMENT AT ST. MARGARET'S.

Quite a delightful surprise greeted the three hundred or more persons who assisted at the formal opening of the new St. Margaret's Hall on the evening of Thursday, November 19th. The event was celebrated with a eucure and promenade concert in aid of St. Margaret's Church.

The players taxed the capacity of the new hall, many persons having come from the city and other Main Line towns. All were delighted with the transformation wrought in the hall, which is located on the ground floor of the church building.

Formerly used as a chapel, before the church proper was completed, Father Cowley has planned to have here an attractive social hall as a center for all of the social activities, meetings and entertainments of the parish. According to those present on Thursday evening he has succeeded admirably well and the hall was an instant success as was also the evening's entertainment.

It is expected that quite a number of affairs will be given here during the winter by the ladies of the parish. The hall is adapted to concerts, amateur theatricals and entertainments, and there is a fully equipped stage.

Already one entertainment has been definitely arranged, and others are in view. Mrs. F. J. Hipkiss, of 212 Elm Terrace, and Mrs. E. Hogan, of Wayne avenue, will give a eucure in St. Margaret's Hall on Thursday, December 10th. The proceeds will be devoted to the debt fund of the church.

NARBERTH SUFFRAGE MEETING.

A woman's suffrage meeting was held Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Edwin C. Town, at Narberth and Windsor avenues. The speaker was Miss Lida Stokes Adams, one of the best known suffrage workers in the East.

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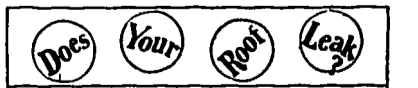
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LETTERS ON THE NEW R. R. RATES.

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I had spoken of the increased travel on the 5.15 P. M. train, as compared with three years ago. Mr. Bell gives the average figures for September of those years:

| | Passenger. | Gross Revenue. |
|------|------------|----------------|
| 1912 | 272.7 | \$27.74 |
| 1913 | 308.2 | 31.59 |
| 1914 | 301.3 | 20.66 |

About ten cents for each passenger and the train operated 20 miles.

The 100-ride ticket returned in 1913 less than one cent a mile, the actual figures being 0.985c., or approximately one-half of the average expense per passenger per mile. "To have raised the price of this ticket to a basis which would have been remunerative would have resulted in placing it practically on a parity with the rate per mile charged for 1000-mile tickets and the 10-ride ticket, and there consequently seemed to be no reason for its continuance."

Still, I see no reason why those who use the road only on week-day trips and those who go to town occasionally should be compelled to buy limited tickets on which they are sure to lose rides and money paid out, especially while, as I understand, the families of employes ride free as often as they please. The loss, too, comes heavily on traveling men (in addition to in-

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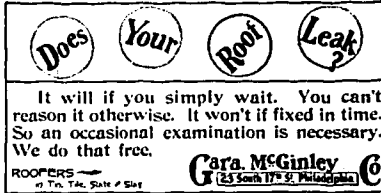
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