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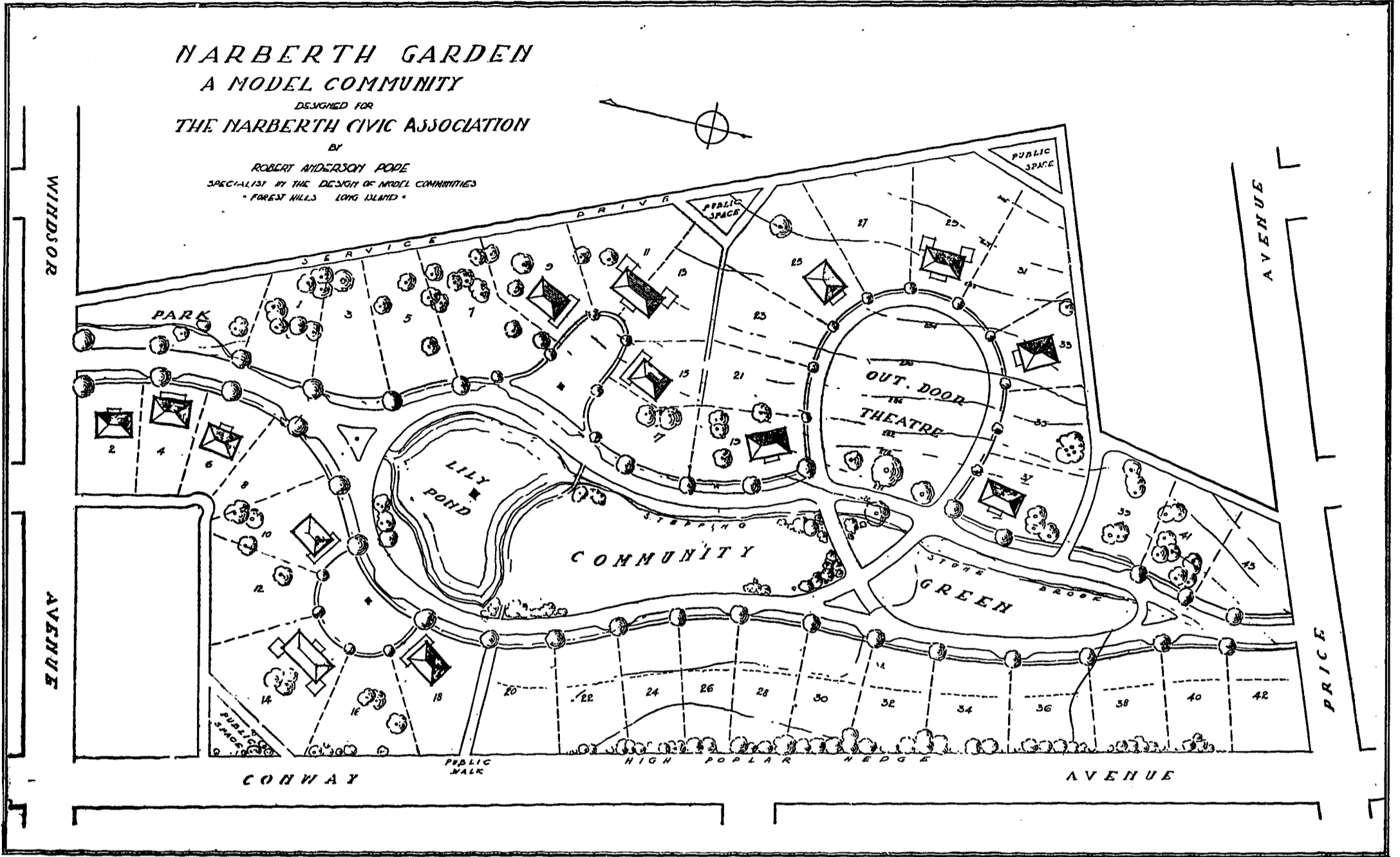
OUR TOWN

Experience keeps a dear school; but fools will learn in no other.

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The above sketch shows the final lay-out of the park lots as adopted by the Park Development Committee. This plan is for the guidance of subscribers in choosing lots at the time the drawings are held, which will be Tuesday, March 9, at 8 P. M. in the Y. M. C. A. building, as was announced in our last week's issue. The rules governing the drawings were also then published in full. The plan here shown does not contain details as to the development of the park proper, but this will be given in a later issue.

There are a few lots left to be subscribed for, and any person wishing to become identified with this movement before it is too late, and at the same time secure an attractive home site or a good investment, may do so by communicating at once to the secretary of the Civic Association. The names of all subscribers will be published when the drawings are held. Persons who enter now prior to the drawings will have the same rights and privileges as those who entered earlier.

VIOLIN RECITAL

The program of the Violin Recital by Mr. Henry Such will be found in this issue of OUR TOWN. The selections, including numbers of great beauty and interest, appeal not only to musicians, but to the general public. It is not often that an artist of so high repute has favored Narberth with a visit, and the opportunity to hear him should not be neglected.

Additional incentives to attend the recital are the facts that our Civic Association will share in the proceeds, and that the prices of tickets are very low—50 cents for general admission, 75 cents for reserved seats. They may be obtained at the Y. M. C. A., at the door, or from Mrs. Blackall or Mr. Loos.

PROGRAM.

Adagio—E Major Bach
Praeludium—E Major (Manuscript) Bach-Such
Concerto—"Allegro Pathetique" Ernst
Adagio Spohr
Rondo—"La Clochette" Paganini
Alblumblatt Wagner-Wilhelmj
Cortege Debussy
Caprice Viennois (By request) Kreisler

Tambourin Chinois Kreisler
Chanson Louis XIII. and Pavane
Louis Couperin
La Chasse Jean-Baptiste Cartier
(Kreisler arrangements)
Romance and Finale—"A La Zingara" Wlenslawski
From 2nd Concerto
At the piano, Mrs. Henry Such.
Lester piano used.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS IN THE NARBERTH P. O.

Mrs. R. Miller, Mrs. C. E. Hemphill,
Mrs. Wm. Brown, Clabra Mfg. Co.,
Mrs. F. Greene, J. H. Landis, Mrs.
George Roberts, Mrs. F. Salomon.
Edward S. Haws, P. M.

Wash an egg-beater without getting the cogs in water. Wetting the cogs impairs the utensil's usefulness.

THE PARK IDEA

What it is, and What it is Not.

It is interesting to note the different views and impressions which many of our citizens have acquired concerning the park development plan of the Civic Association which is to be carried through to completion this Spring. We believed that we had published enough details in the past to give all our readers, which means substantially all residents of the "Year 'Round Home Town," accurate information concerning this project. But from the nature of questions asked from time to time, it is apparent either that some of our readers overlooked certain information given in past issues, or that we failed to be as explicit as we should have been. As our editorial pride refuses to permit us to believe that anyone could possibly fail to read each issue from cover to cover, we conclude that the trouble has been with us or those in charge of the park and not with the reader.

As an illustration of the lack of information among our people as to the real purpose of this improvement and the way in which it is being handled, one citizen wanted to know how we could afford to improve parks when we couldn't afford to pave all our streets. Another thought the tax rate was too high already. A third suggested that we ought to build a school house first. And yet a fourth thought a park in a suburban town was a fool idea anyhow. In view of such mistaken impressions, a brief statement of the real object and purposes of this development seems in order. Before beginning, let us suppose

you own a home anywhere in this community, but adjoining a vacant lot. You wonder what kind of house the owner is going to build and whether he will keep the grounds in as good condition as you keep yours. You know that whatever he does is going to have a direct influence for better or worse, as the case may be, on your own property.

Now, broaden your horizon a little. The TOWN is your home, and every improvement started in it concerns you. It is now just as important to you that some vacant lot in another part of town is properly improved, as it was that the one next door was kept in first-class condition. In short, what you do towards improving your own property adds value to it and to your neighbor's. What your neighbor does toward improving his property adds value to it and to yours. And what every other person in town does to improve his or her property adds value to the whole.

With these principles in mind, and remembering also that the railroad approach to a town is like the front drive leading to a country estate, all that is necessary for you to do further is to recall the general condition and appearance of the vacant land lying along the stream and extending from Windsor to Price avenue, remember the high railroad bank from which thousands of people daily obtain a view of the whole tract, think of the importance to the town of having this property developed in such a way as to make the most of its natural advantages—and you have the origin and basis of the park idea.

To be more specific the object in promoting this idea was not only to acquire a piece of land which would always afford an open breathing

space, free from the encroachment of a rapid development which may be expected to follow the electrification of the main line, but also to remove a condition which has been the source of an unwarranted but popular belief, especially among non-residents, that Narberth is built on low land, and place in its stead something which will favorably impress the many thousands of people who daily pass through our town, and thus tend to attract the class of homeseekers who make the best citizens. This is the beginning of a series of improvements which it is hoped will result in making Narberth an ideal home town in every respect.

The answer to the questions above propounded is that this project is not going to affect the tax rate nor the amount of funds available for street improvements, etc., unless, indeed, it serves to increase those funds. In plain words, this is one of the few occasions when you will get something for nothing. If this sounds too much like a midsummer night's dream, just sit still for a few months and reserve your opinion. The fact is, that about half of the ground purchased will be nicely fixed up and laid out with drives, walks, trees, shrubs, plants and with even a lake and a forum with natural stage settings for outdoor plays, pageants, etc., and when this is completed it will be handed over to the people of Narberth with but one condition—that it be taken care of. The funds to pay for it will have come, not from public funds, but from the sale of lots abutting on the park.

The houses around the park will be subject to building restrictions so as to keep them in harmony with (Continued on Second Page)

Narberth, the champions of the Main Line Basket Ball League lost its first game of the season by one point to the West Philadelphia High School Alumni team, on February 19. The home team was without the services of Lardie Davis, the crack Lower Merion center, and Captain Durbin did not play in the first half; score 22-21.

The game was fast and exciting all the time, the score being close, first one team leading and then the other. Walter Humphreys, the blonde forward of the home team, was the star performer for Narberth, and Captain Swartz excelled for West Philadelphia. Narberth was particularly weak in the shooting of foul goals, only one being scored out of a possible eighteen. Hence, Lardie was particularly missed, as he excels at this part of the game. Line-up: Narberth W. P. H. S. Alumni
E. Davis forward Shields
W. Humphrey...forward J. Brown
A. Kirk center... Swartz, Capt.
Durbin, Capt... guard P. Brown
(Jefferies)

V. Fleck..... guard Ivory
Field goals—E. Davis, 1; Humphrey, 3; Fleck, 1; Durbin, 1; Shields, 1; J. Brown, 1; Swartz, 2. Foul goals—E. Davis, 7; Durbin, 2; Shields, 3; Swartz, 11. Referee—Dr. Hoffman, Hahnemann. Scorer and timekeeper—Earl F. Smith. Time of halves—20 minutes.

WOMEN'S COMMUNITY CLUB TO HOLD FIRST MEETING.

The first meeting of the Women's Community Club of the Y. M. C. A. will be on the afternoon of Tuesday, March 2, in the Community Room of the Y. M. C. A. Building.

A cordial invitation is extended to all women of Narberth and their friends to be present between the hours of three and five o'clock to learn more of the new plans and to become better acquainted with one another. Refreshments will be served.

At the general community night there were over three hundred present. Let's see what the women can do!—A. H. Cole, Chairman.

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EMERGENCY PHONE CALLS
Fire 350.
Police 1250.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Liberal space has been given in Our Town for the discussion of Woman's Suffrage, pro and con. Other important matters must also have consideration. So, for a time at least, it will be discontinued.

However we are glad to have our citizens express themselves freely, and discuss matters of local interest, but must insist that all articles in the future contain not more than five hundred words, or half a column.

Let us hope that our borough officials will soon give serious consideration to the deplorable condition of Wynnewood avenue. Narberth cannot afford to neglect so prominent a highway, especially when we are so much in the public eye. Let us keep our reputation for progressiveness.

Four great enterprises Narberth is planning. THE PARK, THE PUBLIC LIBRARY, THE FLOWER SHOW and THE STATION GARDEN. Let us all PUSH.

There are one hundred and one teachers of agriculture in the normal schools of the United States, according to figures compiled by the United States Bureau of Education. Eighteen of them teach agriculture alone; seventy-two teach agriculture in combination with one or more sciences; nine teach two other subjects; and one three other subjects. One normal-school teacher handles agriculture in combination with the following: "Pedagogy, didactics, history of education, civics, child study, and school management."

A bill providing for vocational continuation schools has been introduced in the Washington legislature. It provides for compulsory continuation schooling for six hours weekly, three years for boys and two years for girls, after the age of fifteen. The plan is somewhat similar to the Cooley proposal in Illinois, but differs in empowering the local school board to appoint the board to have charge of vocational training. In this and other respects it resembles the Wisconsin law enacted in 1911.

HAVE YOU PLANNED YOUR GARDEN?

The parable of the sower has always made an especial appeal to humanity, for we are by nature tillers of the earth—garden makers. We know that, some seed, no matter how carefully sown, will fall upon rocks or barren ground, rains will wash it away, sun dry up the tender leaves, or untimely frosts and innumerable pests rob the sower of his harvest. But we also know that some, at least, of those wee seeds will reach fertile ground to beautify our particular spot on the earth or yield us fresh, luscious vegetables, rewarding us immeasurably for all our hopes and efforts. No amount of failure really discourages us or makes us lose faith in the ultimate outcome.

The first sign of spring is a signal for seed catalogue and garden books to appear, plunging us into happy anticipation. As we turn the pages we become surrounded with as fascinating a company as ever confused the mind of Parsifal, and our thoughts dwell upon the beautiful or juicy vegetables that some day our untiring efforts will have brought into reality.

Does any book hold a more irresistible charm than a seedsman's catalogue? Even though we can buy only a five cent package of mignonette to sow in the window box, or a small package of morning glory to cover the back fence, still we look with eagerness to that time when they will sprout, grow and bloom.

Michell's Seed House, 518 Market street, Philadelphia, offers free the services of their garden department to anyone who wants to make use of information it can give. They will gladly help you plan your garden, and suggest the best seeds, plants, bulbs, shrubs and trees for your particular locality. Write to them to-day for a copy of their twenty-fifth anniversary seed book which is free. It describes and illustrates the best and newest vegetables, flowers and plants, and offers timely suggestions to those who are making gardens for the first time. The free cultural leaflets on individual subjects tell when and how to plant and the proper method of cultivation.

FLOWER SHOW PLANS.

Enthusiastic response is being made by Narberth flower lovers to the proposed June flower show. It is intended to have the classes of exhibits sufficiently numerous to enable the possessors of modest flower gardens a full opportunity to compete for the prizes. Thus the exhibitor of a vase of three roses, peonies, or other flowers will find that the excellence of the blooms shown by him or her has earned the coveted reward. The co-operation of every one interested in flowers, in either a great or small way, is earnestly solicited.

Mr. Stites, who is actively interested in promoting the show, reports that the sentiment expressed by numerous flower enthusiasts throughout the borough leaves no room for doubt that a gratifying success is assured. Already offers of prizes are coming in, and will doubtless be followed by others. The Henry F. Michell Company, the popular Philadelphia seedsman, have offered a large silver medal for the best vase of mixed cut roses (not over 25 blooms) and have also offered a first and second prize for the best vase of peony flowers (not over 25 blooms), the first prize to consist of 100 gladiolas, gold medal mixture, and the second prize of 100 pearl tube roses. Announcement of other prizes will be made from time to time, and it is expected that the topic of flowers will become so popular during the spring months that the natural question to be asked of one's neighbor while waiting for the 8.14 train will be, "Mary, Mary, quite contrary, how does your garden grow?"

THE PARK IDEA.

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the other improvements. Some of the principal advantages to be derived from this improvement are:

First, the placing of the "Year Round Home Town" ahead of other suburbs for energy and progressiveness along the line of civic improvement.

Second, the inauguration of a real estate development policy which, when its advantages have been demonstrated, will, it is hoped, strongly influence future developments in our community.

Third, the acquisition of a fully improved park without cost to the borough.

Fourth, the elimination of the source of much unfavorable criticism from those who are not aware that the ground which they think is so low is in fact 257 feet above sea level at its lowest part.

Fifth, a general increase of real estate values due to the improvement and the increased demands for homes in a community which shows such a progressive and fraternal spirit.

Sixth, the opening to immediate development of an extremely attractive territory which will result in an increase of borough revenues.

Many other advantages might be suggested, but we wish to leave something to the imagination of our readers.

THE NARBERTH BAND.

Augustus J. Loos, chairman Civic Association Music Committee, and Earl Brooks, who instituted the movement for a band in Narberth, are hard at work scouring the community for possible talent. If you play anything and would be interested in joining in this movement to make Narberth a leader in band music as well as in many other progressive movements, send your name to either of these men. Mr. Brooks finds many men just outside our borough lines who are very anxious to get right training through competent leadership. Men who live in our midst should have like enthusiasm. Put yourself on record.

THANKS FROM THE MANAGERS OF Y. M. C. A. COMMUNITY NIGHT.

Everyone who assisted in making the first Community Night at the Y. M. C. A. so great a success is heartily thanked by the managers of the event. The community at large is thanked for its splendid response by way of attendance. With over 300 persons manifesting their appreciation of the new policy at the Y. M. C. A., the managers feel bountifully repaid for their efforts. Watch for the date of the next community night!

A SUCCESSFUL LOCAL INSTITUTION.

The Narberth Building & Loan Association is about completing its eighth year of business, and the annual statement prepared by the secretary shows a condition reflecting much credit upon those in charge of its management. The assets of the association are no in excess of \$200,000; about 3400 shares have been issued and the net profits to date are more than \$33,000. The association meets at Elm 14 on the first Thursday of each month, and the monthly receipts are in excess of \$4000. During the year just closing more than \$52,000 was paid into the association, representing the savings of a large body of our people, as well as others from surrounding neighborhoods. It is a fact worthy of comment that at the close of the business year the arrearages on shares due the association were almost negligible.

It goes without saying that such an association is a most valuable asset to the community. Systematic saving is a valuable aid to the formation of character. Economy and thrift mean success—extravagance spells failure. The late Mark Hanna used to say:

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The mortgage loans held by the local association are of a gilt-edged character, and the funds of the stockholders are in all cases invested with care and discrimination. The policy of the management is to be as helpful as possible to those who desire to buy or build homes. Applications for loans are most welcome and will receive prompt and careful consideration.

The officers of the association are: J. Howard Wilson, president; William D. Smedley, vice-president; William E. Godfrey, treasurer; Thomas C. Trotter, Jr., secretary; Fletcher W. Stites, solicitor.

The following gentlemen are directors: Charles S. Caldwell, Kennedy Duff, John S. Eberbach, H. C. Fritsch, William B. Kraft, C. Howard McCarter, Charles S. Powell, A. Perry Redifer, Carden Warner.

ALL POST OFFICES TO BE EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES.

Briefly, the plan of the Commissioner of Labor is to have the post offices of the country act as clearing houses for the jobless man and the manless job. Uncle Sam is to bear the expense and the stewards of the mail centers will do the work. It will thus be possible for all persons out of employment to advertise the fact in the most extensive manner without any cost whatever to themselves. In this way it is hoped that the many unemployed in the great centers of population may secure positions in the smaller towns and rural districts where there is often a dearth of workmen and servants.

This philanthropic plan is not intended for those who can afford to advertise for positions in the newspapers and await results. Employers of labor, especially farmers, are expected to take advantage of this method for securing men to manage their farms as well as farm laborers and families to occupy their tenement houses.

Manufacturers desiring extra men, servant girls wishing a change of place, widows with small children, mechanics and laborers may all use this method at Uncle Sam's expense, but large industrial employers will not be permitted to use this means of securing men to take the place of men who may be on strike, as they are required in their application to state whether "strikes exist or are contemplated."

This plan is the salvation of the down and out man willing to work, but unable to obtain it in the crowded cities.

Married couples will have opportunities to secure comfortable homes instead of seeking out an existence amid the clamor for city jobs. It should also be of great benefit to the farmer if he can in this way secure the help necessary to till all of his present idle acres, and thus add to the products of the soil for which there is an ever increasing demand.

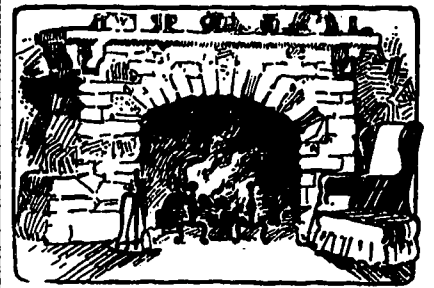
Standing of Main Line League.

	W.	L.	P.C.
Narberth	8	0	1.000
Overbrook	5	4	.556
Ardmore	4	4	.500
St. Paul	0	9	.000

The members of the minstrel troupe met in the Y. M. C. A. Building on Thursday evening, February 18, and formed the Narberth Y. M. C. A. Glee Club, and elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing year: President, Frederick L. Rose; vice president, W. Arthur Cole; secretary and treasurer, Earl F. Smith; musical director, Bill W. Dennis.

Plans are already under way for the show to be given for the benefit of the Narberth base ball team, in the latter part of April. This show will have some of the girls of the town in, and from present indications, will be the best one the Glee Club has ever given. The Glee Club is open to all young men with musical talent, and a fairly good voice.

The next meeting of the Club will be held in the Y. M. C. A. Building on March 5, which will also be the first practice for the show. All the members of the club and those desiring to be will kindly make it a point to be present. The young ladies are also requested to be present at this rehearsal.



THE FIRESIDE

By Lady Narberth

The house of Mr. George B. Mecke on the corner of Maple and Chestnut avenues has been leased by Harbert & Claghorn, agents, to Mr. J. E. Morgan, of Ardmore.

On Thursday evening, Dr. O. J. Snyder, president of the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners, and vice-president of the Narberth Civic Association, will lecture before the teachers and patrons of the Chester schools upon the subject "Child Life and Child Health."

The Girls' Athletic Basket Ball team of Narberth, connected with the Y. M. C. A. of Narberth, played a very thrilling and close game last Wednesday night against the Narberth High School team. The score was 17-16 favor of the N. H. S., the Athletic Club keeping one point in advance until the very last second of the game, when the N. H. S. scored a field goal. Taking into consideration that this was the first match game for the Athletic Club, they should be heartily congratulated. They have an extraordinarily strong team and are expected to make a fine showing. The N. H. S. team has brilliant players and does good passing and team work. The line-up was as follows:

N. H. S.—Center, Hilda Smedley; forward, Edith Humphreys; forward, Helen Duff; guard, Augusta Witherow; guard, Corie Yowell.

G. A. Club—Center, Marjorie Jeffries; guard, Katherine McDowell; guard, Ruth Prescott; forward, Helen Graves; forward, Carrie Irwin.

The Kappa Sigma Phi Sorority of Narberth took advantage of the holiday on the 22d, and gave a unique and interesting affair at the Little White Tea House on Avon Road, Narberth, which was decorated, of course, appropriate to Washington's Birthday with suitable refreshments and souvenirs. The members and their friends present were: Misses Alice Green, Esther A. Haws, Linda Jacoby, Florence Jacoby, Mary S. McCarter, Ruth E. Prescott, Ethel K. Ridge, Edna Selfridge, Achsah Wentz, Maude Emma Ida Wipf; Mesdames Raymond S. Jones, H. P. Moore, Hon. Member C. G. Adams, of Barre, Mass.; Messrs. Raymond S. Greene, Harry N. Payne, Frederick Warner, O. C. Cutler, Raymond C. Jones, Royden Hunt, H. P. Moore, S. Chandler Woolley, Stephen Simmons, Robert Selfridge, Robert Sample, James Merriman, Russell C. Osborne.

Mrs. Scott Nearing will tell the people of Narberth "Why Women Are Asking for the Vote," Tuesday evening, March 2, 8 o'clock at the Y. M. C. A. Everybody welcome.

A moving-picture film entitled "Toothache" is one of the agencies employed by the National Mouth Hygiene Association to demonstrate the importance of instruction in the care of the teeth. Dr. W. G. Ebersole, of Cleveland, Ohio, who is secretary of the organization, says: "I believe that if each child be taught to keep thoroughly clean and healthy the gateway to his system, the mouth, we shall have a healthier, more self-respecting, and all-round better class of citizens for the next generation." It is believed that "Toothache" will help develop public interest in oral hygiene.

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News of the Churches

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. On second month, 21st, the Quarterly Meeting Visiting Committee will attend Merion meeting.

THE EVANGEL BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. Emerson L. Swift, Pastor.
An illustrated lecture on "The South of England and Normandie," will be given by Rev. George E. Nichol, associate pastor of the First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, under the auspices of the Berean Bible Class Tuesday evening, March 2. A silver offering will be received. A general invitation is extended to the people of the community.
Bible School Sunday morning at 9.45. Adults not now attending a Bible School are invited to unite in the opening exercises of the two Bible classes next Sunday morning. Morning worship at 11. Subject of the sermon, a waiting Saviour.
The evening service will be held at 7 and 8 o'clock at the Presbyterian Church. The speaker will be Governor George H. Hodges, of Kansas. This will be a temperance rally.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Rev. Chris. G. Koppel, Pastor.
9.45—Sunday School Assembly. Bible study classes for men and women.
11.00—Public worship. Sermon by the pastor.
6.45 and 7.45—Union services in the Presbyterian Church. The address will be given by Governor Hodges, of Kansas. Members and friends of the churches are cordially invited.
Fourth Quarterly Conference. District Superintendent Dr. Griffith will preside over the Fourth Quarterly Conference of the church, Thursday evening at 7.45. Reports for the year's work will be presented by all the departments of the church.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Rev. John Van Ness, Minister.
Sunday, February 28:
10 A. M.—Sabbath School. All departments.
11 A. M.—Public worship with sermon by the pastor on "The Pollution of a Tainted Life."
7 P. M.—Union Young People's meeting with leader furnished by the Baptist Church.
8 P. M.—Union meeting with temperance address by Ex-Governor Hodges, of Kansas.
On Thursday and Friday of this week the Ladies' Aid Society will hold a Rummage Sale at 242 Woodbine avenue.
A great mass meeting for men is being arranged for Monday evening, March 8, under the auspices of the Men's Club. An evangelistic address will be delivered by Samuel W. Foster.

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.

AT ONCE.

Some things must be done at once. Speak the kind word you have in mind; write that letter to the homesick boy or girl away at school; smile at the little children who come trooping up the street; thank your friend for the courtesy and consideration he has always shown you; tell the bright, cheerful story that will bring a smile. Put off until to-morrow that harsh, disagreeable speech, that unpleasant story you heard of your neighbor; that ugly, sarcastic expression that throws a cloud over the spirits of all whom you meet; that letter which tells of

your own sorrows and sadness of heart; that recital of unpleasant incidents which depress; the renews influence will be very satisfactory.

Home and School. NEW BOOKS OF INTEREST TO SUBURBANITES.

The Practical Book of Outdoor Rose Growing. By George C. Thomas. J. B. Lippincott. Philadelphia, 1914. 157 pp. illus.
Rural Credits; Land and Co-Operative. By Myron T. Herrick and R. Ingalls. D. Appleton & Co., New York and London, 1914. 519 pp.
Fundamentals of Plant Breeding. By John M. Coulter, Ph. D., Head of the Department of Botany, University of Chicago. D. Appleton & Co., New York and Chicago. 1914. 347 pp. 109 illustrations.
Commercial Gardening: A practical and scientific treatise for market gardeners; market growers; fruit, flower and vegetable growers; nurserymen. Edited by John Weathers. The Macmillan Company, New York, 1914. 4 vols., illus. \$15.
The Amateur Garden. By George W. Cable. Charles Scribner's Sons, New York, 1914. 119 pp. illus.
The Peony Manual. C. S. Harrison, York, Neb., 1914. Paper, 25 cents; \$12 per 100.

The Standard Cyclopedia of Horticulture. By L. H. Bailey. Macmillan Co., New York, 1914. 600 pp. 769 cuts. Vol. II, from C to E. Price per volume, \$6.

Important Timber Trees of the United States. By S. B. Elliott. Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Boston. 1912. 382 pp. Ill. \$2.00.

The Farm Woodlot. By E. G. Cheyney and J. P. Wentling. Macmillan Co., New York, 1914. 343 pp. Ill. \$1.50.

Some of the Best Farm and Garden Papers.

General Farm Papers: *Country Gentleman, weekly, Philadelphia, Pa., \$1.50; New England Homestead, weekly, Springfield, Mass., \$1; *Practical Farmer, weekly, Philadelphia, Pa., \$1; *Rural New Yorker, weekly, New York, N. Y., \$1; *Wallace's Farmer, weekly, Des Moines, Iowa, \$1.
Dairy Papers: *Hoard's Dairyman, weekly, Fort Atkinson, Wis., \$1; Kimball's Dairy Farmer, semi-monthly, Waterloo, Iowa, \$1.
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FROM ALL ANGLES

Narberth Main Line champions defeated for the first time this season by the score of 22 to 21. The game, which was witnessed by a small crowd, was, by far, the most exciting on the local floor this year; first, one team being on the lead, only to be headed by the other.

The Haverford School second team was defeated by the strong Swarthmore Prep. 2nd team. In the Haverford School line-up were Jack Jefferies and Colwyn Humphreys. Jack was the only Haverford lad to register a field goal the first half.

Bill Durbin, the best all-around athlete along the Main Line, is up to his old tricks again. In the game with Germantown Academy last week he made three field goals, while his opponent made one. This is a very extraordinary accomplishment as Bill is a guard. In the game with Swarthmore Prep. Bill again accomplished the unexpected, when he shut out Hardesty, an interscholastic forward, with no field goals the first half and only one the second half. In the early part of this game Durbin sustained a sprained ankle. It is very evident that his opponent would not have secured the one tally if Bill had not met with this accident.

Girls in Exciting Game.

Narberth High School Girls defeated the Community team by the score 17 to 16. Helen Duff, the High School forward, was the real star of the game, accumulated all the points scored by the team. Carrie Irwin, forward of the Community team, played an excellent game with five field goals to her credit. The game was exciting from the beginning to the final whistle, only decided in the last few minutes of play. The referee found it necessary to call many fouls. Another feature of the game was the dancing. Enough said. That's something you don't see at the fellows' games. I wonder why? Vernie Fleck and Mag Kreamble would make a good pair. Maybe!!!

Jack Jefferies and Harry Brown, the Narberth Walking Club, claim they are the champion walkers of the town. They walked to Valley Forge in three hours, so they say.

Last Saturday the girls' teams of Narberth had their picture taken by a Philadelphia reporter. They will probably appear in the Philadelphia newspapers next Sunday.

The Narberth Y. M. C. A. won from the W. P. Y. M. C. A. in bowling last week. Narberth is hard to beat with "Big Bill" Humphreys and Jim Scanlin in form.

Clarence Humphreys is making a record at basket ball playing for Company B of Philadelphia. He will probably play for Narberth in the next game.

Eddie Ensinger was seen taking rapid strides towards Wynnewood avenue the other night. This is no doubt a part of his spring training??? Ask him.

NOTICE:—Saturday evening the Main Line champions will play the strong West Park team of Philadelphia. As an added attraction the second team will also play. Everybody come out and bring your friends.

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NEW YORK, January 25.—The completion of the long distance telephone line between New York and San Francisco was celebrated to-day. First, this city had speech with her California neighbor 3,400 miles away. Then the wires that swing southward from New York brought Washington and San Francisco into telephonic touch. On down the coast to little Jekyll Island opposite Georgia, they carried the Golden Gate's greeting.

At the White House President Wilson spoke into the mouthpiece of his telephone and his voice was whirled across thirteen States to the shores of the Pacific. But on a day when long distance telephone records were smashing up the country over, it was the talk between San Francisco and Jekyll Island that had the honor of breaking every world's record for long distance transmission. President Theodore N. Vail of the American Telephone & Telegraph Company is spending the winter on Jekyll Island and when he spoke to San Francisco his voice had to travel 1,000 miles up the Atlantic seaboard to New York before it started on its trans-continental journey. When it sounded in the receiver at San Francisco it had gone 4,400 miles in all.

At the center of these telephonic doings, where the wires of the North and South met those of the distant West, in President Vail's office at 15 Dey Street, was Alexander Graham Bell, who invented the telephone forty years ago. Mayor Michel and other city officials, scientists and engineers and telephone pioneers, and other distinguished men gathered round Dr. Bell as he strode into the room on the top floor of the telephone company's building. On a table at one end of the big office was a replica of the first telephone transmitter to carry the human voice. It looked to be a crude enough affair. Tie down a drum-head over a wooden receiver, join the center of the drum-head to the free end of a receiver spring, arrange a mouthpiece over the drum-head—and there you have it. But forty years ago when that crude affair was first shown by Bell at the Philadelphia Centennial the Emperor of Brazil backed away from it in amazement, crying: "My God, it talks." And to-day, because of what the engineers have done, Dr. Bell was to send his voice through it across the continent.

There was further reminder of the telephone's babyhood in a coil of wire connected with the transmitter. This was part of the original wire over which Dr. Bell spoke the first words ever uttered by telephone, in his boarding house at 5 Exeter Place, Boston. On March 10, 1876, Bell had called to Thomas A. Watson, his associate, standing at a receiver in another room, and Watson, breathless with excitement, heard his voice on the wire. That wire was preserved under glass, and now after two-score years, it was part of the first trans-continental line.

One of the first to greet Dr. Bell as he entered was John Joseph Carty, Chief Engineer of the American Telephone & Telegraph Company, under whose direction the trans-continental line was built. To-day was not Mr. Carty's first in the making of telephone history. He has been doing it ever since Dr. Bell gave the membrane transmitter to a group of his friends and left it to them to make it a universal household servant. Mr. Carty is the organizer of what might be called the first telephone university, and under his direction the art of telephony was developed. There were those in President Vail's office who could remember the time when there were only three telephone engineers in the world. To-day Mr. Carty heads more than 500 engineers.

Mr. Carty escorted Dr. Bell to the strange looking transmitter and its inventor pressed his lips to the mouthpiece.

"Ahoy! Ahoy! Can you hear me?" asked Dr. Bell, and instantly there was a murmur in the receiver audible to everyone in the room. Out in San Francisco in the offices of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company, Thomas A. Watson had heard the voice of his old-time associate signalling in the manner they had employed in their earliest experiments, and had answered: "I can hear perfectly."

It was four o'clock when Dr. Bell sent his "ahoy" across the continent and one of the first of the guests to speak after him asked the time in San Francisco. Everyone looked at their watch as the answer came back: "One o'clock." This started a flurry of figuring. Those who know sound waves and the rate they travel said that it would take four hours for a man's voice unaided, granted the possibility of such titanic lungs,

to travel to San Francisco through the air. On the wires it takes less than one-fiftieth of a second. Electricity was driving Dr. Bell's "ahoy" at the rate of 56,000 miles per second. Sound, unaided, limps along in comparison, making only 1,100 feet per second.

So if there was pride in the faces of the engineers who clustered round Dr. Bell as he talked to "Friend Watson" to-day there was some reason therefor. Up to now the longest telephone line in the world was between New York and Denver, but Mr. Carty and his young men have gone their previous record 1,300 miles better, and once again they have given to this country the longest line in the world. From Boston to Providence, back in the eighties, from New York to Boston, and then to Chicago in 1892, and finally from New York to Denver and on to the coast, the engineers have coaxed copper wires into carrying the human voice.

The work of constructing the trans-continental line took two years, but the history of the work of making the poles and wires, set and strung by the construction crews who do their duty runs back over the space of many years. It brings you into experiment stations and testing rooms and laboratories. It covers innumerable experiments and improvements. Every step forward in the development of telephony has been over a gigantic scrap heap. Bell's original transmitter has seventy-three descendants. Fifty-three types and styles of transmitters have been introduced since 1877. Within ten years the Bell System spent for construction and reconstruction an amount more than equal to the present book value of the entire plant.

And what is true of transmitters and receivers is even truer of all that lies between the terminals of the trans-continental line, for it is in this field that the engineers had their real problems. To fill in the gap between Denver and the coast with wires and poles was comparatively simple. The task they confronted was to begin at New York and working all along the line, make the multitudinous improvements necessary for a 3,400 mile talk. Transmitters, switchboards, metallic circuits, hard-drawn copper wire and loading coils all had to be attuned to the trans-continental keynote. There's a hint of the real achievement celebrated yesterday in what the engineers did with the loading coil. When the loading coil left the hands of its inventor it was as large as a keg, and the fine iron wires inside it cost a mint to make. To-day the loading coil is a few inches in size, and in the New York-San Francisco line there are 18,000 miles of that wire whose cost of manufacture is comparatively low.

The line is still in the hands of the engineers. There is an amount of field work to be done before it is opened to the public for commercial use, but when it is opened it will mean that a New York business man can talk to his San Francisco associate without leaving his desk. And the time will not be long, say the engineers, before he can send his voice not only to San Francisco, but where he will, up and down the Pacific seaboard. It is easy now to look forward to the day when a man can send his voice ranging the United States—North, South, East and finally West. Yet when that is done there still remain problems for this and succeeding generations of telephone men whose solving will be fully as difficult as the one presented by a trans-continental line.

Here are some figures in connection with the New York-San Francisco line for the lovers of statistics:

Length of line, 3,400 miles. Route: From San Francisco to Salt Lake City, 770 miles; from Salt Lake City to Denver, 580 miles; from Denver to Omaha, 585 miles; from Omaha to Chicago, 500 miles. At Chicago the line branches, one branch going to Pittsburgh, 545 miles, and then to New York, 890 miles from Pittsburgh. The other branch goes from Chicago to Buffalo, 603 miles, and then down to New York, 350 miles. There is a continuation of the line from Buffalo to Boston, 465 miles long. From Pittsburgh there is a continuation extending to Baltimore, 250 miles away, on to Washington, 265 miles. Philadelphia is reached by a branch from the line extending from Pittsburgh to New York, connecting at Newtown Square. The diameter of the hard-drawn copper wire of number 8 B. W. G. gauge used in the line is .165 inch. The total weight of one circuit consisting of two such wires is 1,480 tons.

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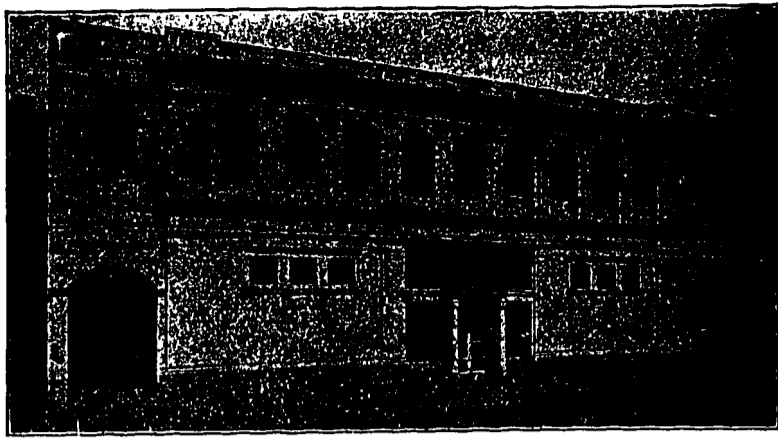
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NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS.

Neighborhood centers, in their most useful aspect and in their broad sense, do not mean simply recreation parks with athletic accessories. They include such governmental agencies as post-offices, city buildings, school-houses, churches, halls, theatres and, indeed, any natural gathering-places for people of all conditions in their neighborhood. Architecture can do much towards making a "neighborhood center" efficient. That accounts for the present widespread interest in civic planning. Occasionally a town or city maintains a lethargic attitude toward its physical development, but this is generally due to the inherent selfishness which especially marks any community where civic pride is not assertive. There are in America, as there are elsewhere in the world, persons to whom living is merely a convention, a thing to be endured for the sake of plenty of food in the stomach, money in the bank and raiment of agreeable quality and generous quantity for the person. Such people usually live in well-built houses constructed to suit their personal needs, but especially to gratify their peculiar personal tastes, without the slightest thought of the relationship of their own premises to that of their neighbor. To such it is a matter of indifference whether or not the City Fathers meet weekly in council in the loft of an old barn, and equally a matter of indifference if a "livery barn" marks the site of the town's one, though remarkable, historic episode. Perhaps a river flows through the place. If so, it will be a matter of comparative indifference to the inhabitant who is lacking in civic pride whether or not the river-banks are littered with rubbish, so long as his own part of the bank is kept clean of it. However, in happy contrast to these discouraging mortals (fortunately the generation to follow them will undoubtedly consider the world as more than a hole to be stuck in), there are those others who see at every turn how localities can be bettered through their quota of encouragement and assistance. Such appreciate that only true happiness is to be derived through efforts that take into consideration the happiness of others, as surely the man, woman or child does who aids in making more attractive, convenient and beautiful (therefore more livable from a higher moral viewpoint any locality.—American Homes and Gardens.

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Simply that the heaven of the Kingdom is working. The progress of the Gospel always creates a "divine discontent." While all about us there is much blind groping, nevertheless the world is steadily moving toward the Light of Love, of Brotherhood, of justice, of peace.

Anybody who goes far enough in the study of the world's unrest will find himself at the feet of the Great Teacher, who is at the head of the Church.

The remedy for all the ills of our time is in Christ's program. Renewed men and women will create new conditions. A fresh sense of God's fatherhood will put the realization of man's brotherhood on an enduring basis.

A redeemed world cannot be made by political action—though redeemed men should insure all needed political action—but only by the transformation of the character of the individual which Christ effects.

With all her stumblings and shortcomings, the Church is none

the less the most clear-voiced herald of the new day.

If men understood the Church better, and more sympathetically, they would be quicker to align themselves with this divine agency for satisfying the world's unrest.

Saint Augustine said: "O Lord, Thou hast made us for Thyself; and our hearts will never be at rest until they rest in Thee."

Better yet, the Carpenter Himself cried: "Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

We urge men to go to Church, not primarily because we desire to see the churches filled, but because we yearn to help men share in the Life which is proclaimed through the Church.

A sincere conviction that the shortest route to the solution of all the thronging problems of our time runs through the Church is what prompts us to invite and entreat the people to go to Church.

In the Church we find Christ, and He still is mankind's Master Teacher, as well as the world's only Redeemer.

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