

Strawberries! Music! Dancing! Friday Evening!

# OUR TOWN

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## HERE'S THE FULL PROGRAM FOR COMMENCEMENT WEEK.

Commencement week exercises of The Narberth School start next Sunday evening with the Baccalaureate sermon to the graduates, to be delivered by Rev. Chris. C. Koppel, at the Methodist Church. Seats will be reserved for the graduating class, and the members of faculty and the Board of Education. From then on until Friday evening, June 18, it will be a busy week for scholars, teachers, and friends and members of the families of the pupils.

Especial attention is called to Alumni Night, next Tuesday, in the school auditorium. An unusually interesting program has been arranged and every one is urged and cordially invited to attend. The address of the evening will be made by Hon. Henry Houck, Secretary of Internal Affairs of Pennsylvania, and for many years Assistant State Superintendent of Schools. This meeting will give the citizens of our town an opportunity to take part in the school activities of our community and enjoy a most delightful address by a forceful speaker and noted worker in the educational world.

Secretary Houck is one of the most popular as well as one of the most able speakers in this part of the country and Narberth is to be congratulated upon securing his presence for next Tuesday evening.

**Commencement Week Program.**  
Sunday, June 13, 7.45 P. M.—Baccalaureate sermon, by Rev. Chris. C. Koppel, in the Methodist Church.

Monday, June 14—Entire school at assembly. Reports of examinations announced. Reports of grades, announced in the grades. Regular morning program in effect.

8.00 P. M.—Principal's reception to the Senior class.

Tuesday, June 15—All present at assembly.

10.30—Promotions announced, all grades present.

8 P. M.—Alumni Night.

Wednesday, June 16, 9.30 A. M. to 10.30 A. M.—Victrola concert; parents are welcome.

10.45 A. M.—High School Outing.

Thursday, June 17—Joint assembly.

11.15 A. M.—Awarding of athletic prizes and "N's."

1.00 P. M.—Awarding of prizes in spelling and composition contests.

1.30 P. M.—Eighth grade class day exercises.

Friday, June 18—"Senior chapel" exercises; devotional exercises and short speeches by the Seniors.

10.45 A. M.—Distribution of reports.

11 A. M.—Closing exercises; all pupils in assembly. Parting words by members of the faculty.

8.00 P. M.—Commencement; address by Professor Smith Burnham, head of the department of history, West Chester Normal School.

10 P. M., to 11 P. M.—Informal reception, old and new faculty and Board of Directors, in the lunch room.

**Prizes for Good Work.**

One of the most interesting features of the week will be the awarding of twenty-four prizes to the pupils in all grades for the highest averages attained in composition and spelling tests. The work for which these prizes will be awarded was all extemporaneous and the splendid averages obtained by the majority of the pupils reflects high credit on the members of the faculty for the interest awakened in the pupils and the evident pleasure with which the boys and girls entered into the spirit of the tests. The prizes to be awarded have been donated by one of the town's public-spirited citizens.

**MUSICAL AT THE METHODIST CHURCH.**

The Men's Bible Class of the Methodist Episcopal Church have arranged an exceptional musical program by several artists, from Philadelphia as well as local talent, for next Tuesday evening, June 22, at 8.15. The names of the artists: Mrs. Emily Stokes Hagar, soprano; Miss Marie Loughney, contralto; Mr. Clayton L. Farraday, baritone; Mr. Marion Cheney, tenor; Miss Isabel Dungan Ferris, pianist; Mr. Clarence Scott Pedrick, pianist; Mr. Robert H. Nead, violin; Mr. George B. Abele, 'cello.

## Our First Flower Show Was a Big Success in Every Sense of the Word

### Everybody Was Surprised and Pleased at the Fine Exhibit of Peonies, Roses and Other Blooms. Attendance Passed the 1000 Mark.

#### THE SHOW ITSELF.

After a diligent search we found the one resident who did not attend Narberth's First Annual Flower Show, held last Saturday afternoon and evening in the Community Room of the Y. M. C. A., and upon cross-examination he—yes, it was a man, admitted that he "started to go." Which was something, and proves that Fletcher Stites' debut as a local horticultural impresario was about 99 44-100 successful.

And what's more, the next time we hear people say anything about Narberth not being beautiful—outsiders, of course, will be pardoned because, poor souls, it was a little out of the way for them to come and see—we're going to tell them point blank that they don't know what they're talking; that if they will just recall how the Flower Show looked and remember that all those fine blooms came from Narberth gardens, they'll resign immediately from The Knock-Your-Own-Town Club and thereafter lead a meek and wiser existence.

Which is just by way of saying that the Flower Show was thoroughly worth-while and successful in every particular. Over one thousand people—1001 to be exact, visited the Community Room between 3 P. M. and 10 P. M. There were 250 exhibits and literally, as well as of fact, filled the room to overflowing. Not even the pageant aroused more enthusiasm and interest among exhibitors and spectators. There was a steady stream of people going in and coming out of the Y. M. C. A. from the time the show opened until it closed.

In another column Mr. Loos has told of the beauty and significance of the Flower Show, but we cannot refrain from saying just a few words that may trespass slightly on his contribution. Even the most enthusiastic and most hopeful were a bit doubtful of the success of the affair. It was the first thing of the kind ever held in Narberth and initial efforts are always more or less uncertain. But the first impression, as you looked in the door of the Community Room last Saturday, dispelled even the smallest doubt.

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#### PRIZE WINNERS.

(Judges: Mr. Fred Cowperthwaite, of the Henry F. Michell Company, and Mr. Edwin Matthews, of the Thomas Meehan & Son's Nurseries.)

Class 1—Best vase white roses, not over 6 blooms—Samuel Bowman.

Class 2—Best vase pink roses, not over 6 blooms—Samuel Bowman.

Class 3—Best vase red roses, not over 6 blooms—Mrs. Galen Clay.

Class 4—Best vase yellow roses, not over 6 blooms—Samuel Bowman.

Class 5—Best vase climbing roses, one color, any number—Mrs. Walter Cowin.

Class 6—Best vase climbing roses, mixed, any number. (No entries).

Class 7—Best vase peonies, white, 3 blooms—Mrs. A. L. Campbell.

Class 8—Best vase peonies, pink, 3 blooms—Mrs. O. E. Jackson.

Class 9—Best vase peonies, scarlet, 3 blooms—Miss Helen Shand.

Class 10—Best vase peonies, mixed, any number—Mrs. A. C. Shand; honorable mention, Mrs. C. T. Faries.

Class 11—Best vase delphinium (larkspur) light blue, 6 stalks—Samuel Bowman.

Class 12—Best vase delphinium (larkspur), dark blue, 6 stalks—Samuel Bowman.

Class 13—Best 6 blooms columbine, single—Samuel Bowman.

Class 14—Best 6 blooms columbine, mixed colors—A. J. Loos.

Class 15—Best vase Canterbury Bells—S. A. Rudolph, 2nd.

Class 16—Best vase Sweet William—Mrs. E. A. Muschamp.

Class 17—Best vase Foxglove—Mrs. Galen Clay.

Class 18—Best vase Iris, any color—A. J. Loos; honorable mention for the Spanish Iris exhibited by Mrs. George Barrie.

Class 19—Best vase Poppies, any color—Mrs. Norman Jefferies.

Class 20—Best vase sweet peas. (No entries).

Class 21—Best vase cornflowers (centaurea)—Mrs. George Barrie.

Class 22—Best vase lilies, not less than three stalks—A. J. Loos.

Class 23—Best vase larkspur in combination with other flower or flowers—Mrs. Norman Jefferies.

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#### AN APPRECIATION.

Narberth's first flower show was indeed a vision of loveliness that faded away all too soon, but that will remain long in our memories. It was another illustration of the awakening of a new spirit in our community—the spirit of co-operation for the common good. There was rivalry in evidence, but it was a generous rivalry, wherein each contributor vied with the other to make the whole more delightful and inspiring. Exclamations of pleasure and surprise were heard on every side. We did not realize before what colorful treasures our Narberth gardens held, nor how much pleasure could be derived from bringing together our choicest specimens in friendly competition. This exhibition will be a stimulus and inspiration to all of our amateur florists to attain still greater perfection in their gardens, and will result in annual displays of ever-increasing interest and beauty.

The baskets of wild flowers, gathered and arranged by boys and girls, were especially interesting. There were many surprising evidences of real artistic skill in arrangement, whereby the best possible blending and contrasting of colors was effected. It is well worth while to arouse an interest in our young people in such a beautiful and instructive pursuit, whereby a true love of nature and joy in healthful outdoor life is fostered. One of the finest collections of wild flowers and plants was gathered and arranged by a boy of eleven, Master Addison Covert, who started out at four o'clock in the morning in quest of rare and striking specimens. Through fields and woods and swamps he sought, and then arranged his collection in a truly artistic color scheme that won warm approval and praise from all who saw it.

Flowers fill so large a space in our lives, that every movement to stimulate their cultivation should be encouraged. The annual flower show, so auspiciously begun under the direction of Mr. Stites, will re-double interest in our Narberth gardens. There is no pursuit that brings more pleasure and quicker returns in health and happiness, than the cultivation of a garden.

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## IT ISN'T THE FAULT OF THE NARBERTH CHILDREN!

When Mayor Blankenburg urged the Narberth school children to help make the town clean and keep it clean, at the ground-breaking exercises at NARBROOK, the boys and girls cheered and applauded the words of the distinguished speaker—but few of the residents, attending the ceremony, knew the story back of those cheers and that applause. It is a story of which every boy and girl in Narberth may feel justly proud, but it ought to make many of the older folks not only hang their heads with shame, but try to do better in the future.

From Principal Melchior of our public school OUR TOWN has obtained that "story." It follows:

"You probably noticed the spontaneous and hearty applause given the Mayor when he spoke to the children on keeping the streets clean and free from paper. There was something back of that—something which every citizen should know.

"The school authorities have worked hard all year to teach children this habit of care and respect for public places, streets, platforms, etc.

"Last fall pupils littered the streets with candy and lunch bags, papers, etc. We stopped that and soon got them cleaning the streets. Without any publishing of the fact, we cleaned-up many a day. Different days our Freshmen Class (girls, some of them) went down town with large bags picking up paper. Many times boys have done the same.

"Men would be ashamed to know how many times their envelopes and paper and magazine wrappers have been picked up. Envelopes torn up (but names still legible).

"Certainly it is a shame to see our children have this example set them. Almost daily some pupil speaks of the paper that is littering the streets—thrown there by citizens. Another careless example is that set by some of the store men and their delivery-men.

"When I came to Narberth my eye at once caught the untidy appearance of many of the streets, especially in front of the business block. It was hard to look over that, in the 'beauties' so strongly urged upon me by one of the directors who tried to impress me with the merits of Narberth. Next came my parents, then my wife, and all alike were, at first, disappointed. We are now happy in Narberth, and proud of the co-operation we are receiving, but ashamed of the appearance of our streets.

"I see men and women deliberately throwing paper bags upon the pavement; delivery men tearing off paper, down town, and throwing it in the street.

"Well worth while to lecture to the children! I admit they were extremely careless—some may still be, but what can we expect?"

#### Y. M. C. A. TENNIS COURT.

This is the second year for the Y. M. C. A. tennis court—naturally, it is in much better shape than last year. For those who do not know its location, we will say that it's on the crest of Anthony Farms, off Haverford avenue and just opposite Grayling avenue.

The boys are already very much interested. If you could have happened around on Monday afternoon and seen fifteen boys and young men with Secretary Hampton getting it into playing condition, you would appreciate the fact that the boys are interested.

This court is for the use of our members and their friends. The net is kept at the Y. M. C. A. and also the "Tennis Book" in which our members sign up for the hour they want to play. This is essential because of the numbers that will want to play. You can phone the Y. M. C. A., (694D) the previous day and engage the hour that will suit you best. If you are interested, call at the Y. M. C. A. and get full details regarding rules and regulations.

To-morrow night, Friday, June 11th, Strawberry Festival on the Justice lawn—Narberth avenue above Windsor.

## CANVASS ON SCHOOL LOCATION QUESTION PARTIALLY COMPLETED.

In response to the canvass being conducted by the Narberth School Welfare Association, quite a number of the town's residents have signified their willingness to vote for a school loan at the November election if the proposed measure specifically provides that a portion of the money secured from the sale of bonds, is used to erect a primary school within 1,000 feet of the railroad station. The canvass is still in progress but officers of the association plan to complete the work in a very short time. The petition that is being submitted to the voters reads as follows:

"The undersigned voters of the Borough of Narberth, Pa., agree to vote in favor of a school loan to be used to erect a primary school within 1,000 feet of Narberth station; to pay off existing temporary indebtedness, and make necessary repairs to the present school buildings, if such a loan is proposed by the Narberth School Board in the November election of 1915."

Members of the association are pleased with the results thus far obtained in the canvass, and are also especially interested in the new Six-and-Six plan, which has been adopted recently by the Board of Education and Principal Melchior. They are hopeful that the natural division in the grades, made possible by this new system, will lead to a quick and easy solution of the whole problem.

## GAMES FOR SATURDAY, JUNE 12.

Dun & Co., at Narberth.  
Overbrook, at Wayne.  
Gulph Mills, at Paoli.

#### CLASS IN BASKETRY.

Those who have given their names to Mrs. Dothard as desiring to learn basketry will receive notice of the date of the first meeting within a few days.

#### UNCLAIMED LETTERS.

Letters addressed to the following named persons remain unclaimed in the Narberth post office:

Mr. John Schrack, Mr. E. M. Barnes, Mr. Patrick Powell.  
Edward S. Haws, Postmaster.

#### NARBERTH MAY HAVE BANK.

The Merion Title and Trust Company have been investigating the possibilities of opening a branch bank in Narberth.

Many of the business houses and prominent citizens have expressed themselves as favoring the supplying of banking facilities here and not a few have pledged support.

#### W. C. C. DISCONTINUES "AT HOMES."

The Women's Community Club "at-homes" on Tuesday afternoons will be discontinued until fall. These events at the Y. M. C. A. Community Center have been unusually successful and will undoubtedly be revived.

## WANTED: A COMMUNITY FLAG POLE.

"Our Town" has heard murmurings from many patriots that seem to demand that we start the ball a-rolling for the establishment of a fund for the purchase and erection of a community flag pole, to be located near the station and from which a flag shall fly in correct position each day of the year.

A few individuals have poles and the schoolhouse on the hilltop flies a flag on occasions; the post office, since Edw. Haws has been postmaster, flies as large a flag as the building conveniently permits; but the borough should have a pole that would be of sufficient height to fly a flag that could be plainly seen in our business center and from passing trains.

The Borough Treasurer, E. C. Dold, has pledged himself to supply regulation government flags as they wear out and suggests that the pole be erected on the firehouse lot where there is someone to see that the flag is hoisted and lowered each day.

It is further suggested that there be a public flag raising on July 4, dedicating the new pole and flag, with band concert and fireworks in the evening.

Do you want this idea to be translated into action? To what extent? Sign your check and mail to "Our Town" right away.

Come to the Strawberry Festival, Friday night, June 11. You'll enjoy yourself.

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**EDITORIAL NOTES**

**"THE LAST CALL"**

OUR TOWN will gladly print any news item about any subject that is of interest to Narberth folks, but in order to meet the printing schedule, all "copy"—manuscripts—must reach the editors by 6 P. M. Monday each week.

**WAS THE FLOWER SHOW WORTH WHILE?**

The Flower Show was one of the best things ever done for Narberth. It awakened a genuine interest in flowers and gardening. It paved the way for an even bigger and better show next year. It gave our citizens new ideas for their garden work and suggested many new flowers to numerous residents.

Speaking of gardens, listen to this little real-life story from the heart of Philadelphia's business district. Our dentist has his office in one of the upper stories of a Chestnut street skyscraper. He has been practicing his profession for twenty-five years, and in that quarter of a century, he has given to his patients the very best that is in him—patience without end, skill that is the highest, and a kindness and consideration for others that is priceless. At the end of a busy day he is well-nigh exhausted, for make no mistake about it—the profession of dentistry is as trying to the conscientious man beside the chair as it is to the man in the chair.

One day we asked our dentist how he stood it. Said he:

"I don't know how I stand it, but I do know that I couldn't stand it if I hadn't a garden. Many an afternoon, after the last patient has gone, I feel as though it would be a relief to jump right out that window. Then I grab my hat and hurry down stairs and go straight to my home. Before long I am down on my knees in my garden, working among the flowers, and literally digging my fingers deep into the cool, restful earth. And as I work I can literally feel all that nervousness leaving me—running out my finger tips and into the ground. In an hour I am rested and ready for dinner."

No that isn't a theft of facts and a paraphrase of words from David Grayson but the record of a conversation uttered within a stone's throw of Broad Street station.

Ponder over it, friend, neighbor. Your garden and your flowers offer you much of the best that there is in life.

The "Banana Girl," with songs of the season—most elaborate imported costume, also imported bananas—enjoy yourself and help out a good cause—remember the place and date, Justice lawn, Narberth avenue above Windsor, to-morrow night, Friday, June 11th.

**SALEM OR NARBERTH—WHICH?**

To the Editors of "Our Town": It is quite true, as stated by "One of Your Readers" in the issue of May 27, that "it is fortunate that the laws are changed from time to time," otherwise we would still be governed by the enlightened regulations that obtained in the glorious days of Salem Witchcraft and other Puritanical operations of unsavory record.

In those days one's business was everybody's business, but in these degenerate times, when the curfew and other cheerful institutions have been relegated to the limbo, of ways not pry into the doings of others when they are none of our concern, without drawing forth the sharp reprimand, "Mind your own affairs!"

Why should anyone work in his garden on Sunday morning when someone, who is really quite familiar with the facts, deems it unnecessary? Should not the benighted wretch who dares spend a Sunday morning in his garden chasing the bugs from his rose bushes and pulling dandelions out of lawn be punished severely? I say, sentence him to spend an hour a week in the company of his self-constituted judges and other superior humans of immaculate perfection who are so broad that they would rattle around if placed in a gas pipe.

The above reflects the sentiments of at least one of

Many of Your Readers

**MORE NARBERTH ASHES; AND THEY'RE STILL HOT!**

Editor Our Town:—As a case of groaning inefficiency, as a procedure of town killing merit, as a burlesque which might be funny if it wasn't staged so early in the morning, and as a case of petty small town politics—which it probably is—this ash collecting proposition wears a mask and has our peaceful borough backed into a corner going through its disposition. If these are growing pains may we always stay small.

Our "year around home town" has become a ride around town—for the ashman. Behold the spectacle, an empty ash wagon (the borough's) driven around the streets in the dewy morn, the men (paid by the borough) look at the back door, see no ashes, contemplate the scene for five minutes (borough time), register surprise, drive on to the next and repeat. They may ultimately get a load from houses lucky enough to hire a man or own one, but more ashes remain in the cellar than are brought out and the borough has neither saved money nor given service. And how, pray, is time saved by two or more husky men standing around waiting for the man of the house to strain his back bringing out the ashes? If any one can be found to put them out in advance what a beautiful town we have. How can a Civic Association member consistently ornament his side or back yard with ash cans?

Here are some facts:

On the beautiful morning of June 1st the borough ash wagon made its appearance at the residence of the undersigned, and a day late by the new schedule. FIVE MEN BY ACTUAL COUNT ACCOMPANIED THE WAGON. After contemplating the landscape for a time they drove on, but returned when recalled by the householder in the hope that two of the men could be hired to carry out the ashes. But they couldn't be; somebody had said they shouldn't be, so in "dressing gown and slippers"—but not a la Riley—the plain citizen carried up the ashes and carefully handed them to the three grouped at the head of the steps; while two more borough joy riders sat on the wagon and took in further details of the landscape. This happened on Haverford avenue, and goodness knows part of this wasted man power could have been used in filling some of the cavens in the road. The previous day two men on another street calmly received the ashes as handed out to them BY THE LADY OF THE HOUSE. Next week we expect to furnish coffee, honey and hot rolls to these men, so as to further conserve their energies for road repairs. We certainly need the repairs on Haverford avenue.

Now what does the borough expect of its citizens? That they shall individually wrestle the ash cans and boxes to the sidewalk and leave them days untold to disgrace the town? Are we to come down dressed for office and hug an ash can to our bosom two minutes before running to catch the train? Or are we supposed to have the ice man and the butler do it?

Most of us do our own butlering and gardening and we're lucky to get a man occasionally by the day. To get some one to tote out ashes on the psychological evening before the ash man comes is too wild a gamble; to do it ourselves is not convenient; and to hire a gardener is too expensive. So there you are. We will pay the bills, but if you want us to boost our town give us ash service or give us a central heating plant.

We have been told to put our ashes in boxes, not cans. Why not say double your fire hazard? What do the fire prevention people say about ashes in wooden receptacles? What do the insurance inspectors say about it? Leave the unjustly heavy cans of ashes in the cellar, but don't invite calamity by ordering wooden boxes. Designate a standard size metal receptacle.

This is a problem a business man would solve in two minutes. Yes, we can offer something better than the present ruling, which is a policy harmful to all concerned. Base our payments for collecting ashes on the average tips plus what is necessary to make up a fair wage for the men employed. Or arrange with a couple of men to precede the wagons on foot and take out the ashes for those who want the service. I am told the tips make normal wages for two men. Above all make reasonable arrangements quick, for this is getting on our nerves.

The writer signs with the full courage of his convictions.

E. A. Sterling.

June 2, 1915.

**Y. M. C. A. DIRECTORS AND MANAGERS MEET.**

The monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Y. M. C. A., was held jointly with the Board of Managers, last Monday evening in the Y. M. C. A. building.

**Managers' Report for May.**

Total attendance for May . . . 2,626  
The faith of the Board of Managers in the Fall and Winter work is strengthening rather than diminishing, and they are putting forth their endeavors to pull through the three lean months in a healthy way.

The House Committee has erected an attractive outdoor sign, which lists the names of organizations housed in the Y. M. C. A. The donors were Messrs. Loos and Dothard.

Secretary Hampton reports that meetings have been held with a view to opening the usual twilight services at the regular time, and the Y. M. C. A. will do its part in this work as usual.

Secretary Hampton also reports unusual success in prospect for the boys' camp. Twenty boys have already registered with a guarantee for two weeks, at \$5.50 per week, and there is a probability of securing even a larger number.

Manager Stites is responsible for a most unusual and successful exhibit of flowers. The record attendance last Saturday afternoon and evening will be a feature of next month's report, and the demonstration is encouraging to the managers of this association as well as other organizations which are housed here.

The Women's Community Club is planning a strawberry festival for Friday of this week, for the benefit of the association and have shown a splendid disposition to assist us in all possible ways. Detailed report of the results of this will undoubtedly be a feature of next month's report.

**Votes of Thanks.**

After the reading of the report, the directors unanimously voted that letters of thanks be sent to Messrs. Loos and Dothard, and to Mr. Stites and his associates for the services mentioned in the managers' report.

**Manager Seaver Resigns.**

The resignation of Manager E. E. Seaver, under whose unique plan and persistent guidance the Y. M. C. A. has been operated since the first of the year, came as a surprise to most of those present and was accepted with deepest regret, because his work calls him to reside elsewhere. Mr. Seaver did not resign from the Board of Directors and assured the Board that, just so long as he can be of any service, he will be glad to continue in the work.

W. Arthur Cole was elected by the Board as the successor to Mr. Seaver.

All kinds of "Made in Narberth" cake at the Strawberry Festival, tomorrow night, Friday June 11th. Justice lawn, Narberth avenue above Windsor.

**NARBERTH LOSES HIGH TYPE OF CITIZEN.**

E. E. Seaver, who resigned last Monday evening as supreme manager of the Y. M. C. A., because his work calls him to reside in another city, is the type of public-spirited citizen Narberth needs and can ill afford to lose.

He came forward to do his part for the welfare of the community when he was most needed in the recent crisis in the affairs of the Y. M. C. A. He devised a unique plan of management, which has already demonstrated itself altogether practicable. He organized a force of volunteer workers, gave time, money and thought to back up the plan he adapted; and, whatever measure of success the institution has made, or may make in the future, it is due to his energy and persistence as a director.

Mr. Seaver has been promoted to be assistant sales-manager of the Robt. Gair Co., of Brooklyn, N. Y., which firm he represented in this and the Southern territory, and must move to Brooklyn before July first.

We believe "OUR TOWN" voices the sentiment of all public-spirited citizens of Narberth when we write: "Mr. Seaver, we're glad you came; we're sorry you're going. Success to you in the measure you deserve."

**HOLIDAY HOUSE DONATION DAY.**

On Friday, June 11, Donation Day will be observed at the King's Daughters' Holiday House on Sabine avenue, off Wynnewood avenue. Help this truly splendid work by supplying some of their needs. Money, groceries, canned goods, jellies, books, toys, and games are some of the useful things already suggested. Luncheon will be served from twelve to two o'clock, and the price will be thirty-five cents. Tea, from four until five o'clock. Try to be there!

**IS THIS LAW BEING VIOLATED IN NARBERTH?**

Several complaints have been received by OUR TOWN about Narberth boys buying and smoking cigarettes. In view of these complaints we are printing below, the law dealing with this subject, which specifically provides perhaps to the surprise of many of our residents—that it is unlawful to sell or give cigarettes to minors, and that a boy, having cigarettes in his possession and refusing to tell the authorities where and from whom he obtained them, may be arrested. The law follows:

**Act May 9, 1913, P. L. 198.**

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., that any person who shall furnish to any minor, by gift, sale, or otherwise, any cigarette or cigarette paper, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100), or more than three hundred dollars (\$300).

Section 2. Any minor, being in possession of a cigarette or of cigarette paper, and being by any police officer, constable, juvenile court officer, truant officer or teacher in any school, asked where and from whom such cigarette or cigarette paper was obtained, who shall refuse to furnish such information, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor; and upon conviction thereof, before any alderman, magistrate, or justice of the peace, such minor, being of the age of sixteen years or upwards, shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding five dollars, or to undergo an imprisonment in the jail of the proper county not exceeding five days, or both. If such minor shall be under the age of sixteen years, he or she shall be certified by such alderman, magistrate, or justice of the juvenile court of the county, for such action as to said court shall deem proper.

**KING'S DAUGHTERS' MEETING.**

The regular monthly meeting of the Evangel Circle of King's Daughters was held in the Y. M. C. A. Wednesday, June 1st.

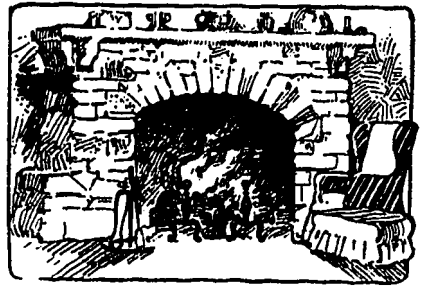
In the morning Mrs. Nevin gave a very interesting and instructive Bible talk.

Lunch was served by Mrs. W. D. Smedley, assisted by Mrs. Harry Derby and Mrs. Bowman.

After lunch the business meeting was opened with Scripture reading and prayer by the president, Mrs. Fred Derby.

The ladies were busy making sheets for one of the city hospitals.

Plans for Donation Day at the Holiday House, Friday, June 11th, were decided upon. A dinner will be served at the Holiday House on Donation Day for thirty-five cents.



**THE FIRESIDE**

By Lady Narberth

The Presbyterian Manse was the scene of a pretty wedding on last Wednesday when Rev. John Van Ness tied the matrimonial bonds of Mr. F. Russell Roberts, of Narberth, and Miss Helen E. Ryno, of Ardmore. After their wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Roberts will make their home at 114 Elmwood avenue.

Miss Clair Young spent the week-end with her aunt, Mrs. Marshall A. Wood, of Elmwood avenue.

Miss Alice Coates, of Greenfield, Mass., and Miss Eva Armstrong, of Danbury, Conn., schoolmates of Miss Marjorie Chase, at the Southern Seminary, Va., spent the last ten days with her.

The Misses Mary and Emily Martin, of Philadelphia, were entertained over Sunday by Mrs. C. R. Blackall.

Mr. Horace Smedley, of North Narberth avenue, is home from Syracuse University. On July 1 he returns for the summer term.

Mrs. R. G. Seymour and Miss Mabel H. Seymour, are visiting at Glen Ridge, New Jersey.

The annual meeting of the Lower Merion High School Alumni Association, was held Saturday evening, June 5, at the High School Building in Ardmore. Miss Maize J. Simpson and Miss Eleanor Ensinger were present from Narberth.

Mrs. James P. Gladdis, of Washington, D. C., and small daughter, Mary, are visiting Mrs. Charles Armstrong, of 231 Essex avenue. Mrs. Gladdis is Mrs. Armstrong's sister.

Mrs. Reginald Gorham, of 119 Hampden avenue, is visiting her former home in Brazil. She will be gone until February.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Smedley and small daughter Louise, spent the week-end at Ocean City, N. J.

Among those who will graduate from the University of Pennsylvania next week are: William C. Simpson, Richard Wallace, a former resident; Langdon Koons, of Wynnewood (a former Narberth base ball star); Roy Ridge and Kendrick Martin.

C. Lorenz McLure has taken a position in the sales department of the Midvale Steel Company and has moved to Philadelphia to be near his place of business.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford T. Moore celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary last week.

In honor of her birthday anniversary Miss Emily Bell was surprised with a handkerchief shower by ten of her young friends and classmates on the evening of June 1st. The affair took place at the home of Miss Bell's cousin, Mrs. Frank Wisse, who chaperoned the party. Music and games contributed to make the evening a most pleasant one. Those present were: Misses Alice Jenkins, Dorothy Wilson, Helen Cole, Helen Miesen, Elizabeth Miesen, Mary Chalfant, Lella Anderson, Ida Dando, Elizabeth Miller, Eleanor Eyre.

The Overbrook Golf Club held its Frolic and Dance at the club house on the evening of May 26th. All the available seats were filled, and standing room was limited when the curtain rose. Little Miss Ava Mulholland, of Narberth, gave her beautiful aesthetic dance and was encored repeatedly. Her performance excited the admiration and wonder of the audience and was easily the feature of the evening's entertainment. After the show the members of the club and their friends held a dance which did not break up until the new day was well under way.



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**THE FLOWER SHOW ITSELF.**

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People who have no particular respect for the King's English are very fond of picturing so-called "riots of color," but if ever there was an excuse for using such extravagant language, that occasion is at hand. Narberth's first Flower Show was a "riot of color." It was a picture that will be remembered for many a day. Next year we'll have an even better show—although that seems impossible now—with the recollections of last Saturday so vividly in mind.

Champion Exhibitors.

Mr. Samuel Bowman, of Elmwood avenue, and Mrs. Norman Jeffries, of Narberth avenue, carried off the honors for winning the greatest number of prizes—Mr. Bowman receiving six blue ribbons and Mrs. Jeffries five. Mr. Loos was a close third with four first prizes.

The largest exhibits, and the closest

contests, were in the rose and peony classes. The blooms in both were exceptionally fine and the judges pondered a considerable time in several instances before being able to decide the winners.

All the baskets and vases entered by the children were pretty and attracted a great deal of attention. The boys and girls took a great deal of interest in the show and some of them had rare and unusual wild flowers in their exhibits. For that reason Our Town believes that each one is entitled to honorary mention. Besides the prize winners these boys and girls exhibited vases and baskets: Lewis Rudolph, Wayne Bord, Herbert Krell, May Rommal, David Anderson, Anna Paul, Dorothy Chalfant, Elizabeth Miller, Lawrence Houston, Carl Metzger, Francis Covert, Ava Mulholland, Joseph T. Mullineaux, Elizabeth Jones, Marion Bottoms, Dorothy Bottoms, Alexander Leighton, Marjory Warner, Florence Mueller, Douglas Anderson, Gladys Hanks, Raymond Sauder and Margery Cowin.

Baird Caldwell didn't enter the children's contest, but he did enter Class 13 with several specimens of iris, of which he was very proud. They didn't win a prize, but Baird seemed completely satisfied just to be in the show, regardless of whether he won or not.

One very interesting exhibit, not entered in any of the classes, was a Gloxinia plant with two fine blooms, owned by Mr. Rudolph, winner in Class 15. Special mention should be made of the exhibit of tiny flowering plants, owned by Mrs. Gara.

Exhibitors and spectators also enjoyed the special exhibition of peonies made by A. E. Woehlert, of the Narberth Garden Nurseries and the exhibition of peonies, poppies and the rare Storax tree, made by the Thomas Meehan & Sons' Germantown Nurseries.

Mr. Stites, as chairman of the Civic Association's Committee, in charge of the show, was assisted by Mr. and Mrs. F. Dinwiddie Walker, Mrs. Stites and Mrs. E. A. Muschamp.

A novel refreshment feature was the serving of ice cream in paper cups, set in small flower pots—the top of the ice cream covered with powdered chocolate, and a sprig of mock orange "growing" out of each pot. The sale of the ice cream netted quite a neat little sum for the Civic Association.

After the show closed the flowers were sent to the Bryn Mawr Hospital.

**PRIZE WINNERS.**

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Class 24—Best vase or basket lily-of-the-valley. (No entries).  
Class 25—Best vase roses, mixed—Mrs. Norman Jeffries.  
Class 26—Best arranged basket tea and hybrid roses—Mrs. Fletcher W. Stites.  
Class 27—Best arranged basket rambler roses—Mrs. Robert Saville.  
Class 28—Best arranged basket pansies, all colors—Mrs. A. C. Staples; honorable mention, Mrs. C. T. Faries.  
Class 29—Best vase or bowl hardy Scotch pinks—A. J. Loos.  
Class 30—Best vase Pyrethrum daisies, all colors—Mrs. Fletcher W. Stites.  
Class 31—Most attractive basket or vase of flowers of any kind or number—Mrs. Norman Jeffries.  
Special Classes.  
Children's Class:—Best and most attractive vase or basket of wild flowers—\$5 each, Phillips Witherow and Eleanor Ward; \$2.50, John Dean; \$1, Addison Covert; honorable mention, Mabel Sauder.  
Suffrage Class:—Best and most artistically arranged exhibit of yellow flowers, prize, two dozen growing plants—Miriam Ward.  
The Henry F. Michell Company silver medal for the best vase of mixed cut roses (not over 25 blooms)—Mrs. Norman Jeffries.  
For the best mixed vase of 25 peony flowers (not over 25 blooms)—First prize, Mrs. A. C. Shand; second prize, Mrs. C. T. Faries. The prizes in this contest were also given by the Michell Company, first, being 100 gladiolus, gold medal mixture; second, 100 pearl tuberose.

**AN APPRECIATION.**

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It broadens the mind, quickens the sympathies and leads to a keener appreciation of Nature in all of her varied moods. How true this is we easily see in the many and beautiful

allusions to flowers in our literature. Everyone will recall many instances—and this is an added pleasure—the association of the flowers we cultivate with some favorite poem or story. Poets and litterateurs without number have glorified "all the sweetest flowers that in the forest grow."

"The rose is fairest when 'tis budding new,  
The rose is sweetest washed with morning dew,"

sings Walter Scott. We recall the deep pathos of "Picciola, the Prison Flower," and the exciting adventures in Dumas' "Black Tulip." Shakespeare sings of

"Daffodils  
That come before the swallow dares,  
and take  
The winds of March with beauty; violets dim,  
But sweeter than the lids of Juno's eyes  
Or Cytherea's breath; pale primroses"

Solomon bids us "Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow," while Isaiah tells of the desert that "shall rejoice and blossom as the rose."

And then when twilight comes, and our beloved flowers are veiled by the evening mists, how our imagination is stirred by the wondrous tone-poems of MacDowell—"To a Wild Rose" and "To a Water Lily," or Nevin's "Narcissus," or Goldmark's "In the Garden," from his Rustic Wedding Symphony.

And thus it is, that whether it be the lingering memories that cluster around some favorite bloom, or that are aroused by its subtle perfume, or their association with some immortal poem, book or musical composition—in some way, flowers give us pure, unalloyed delight.

A. J. Loos.

**BASE BALL NOTES.**

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Some loyal rooters Narberth has! Half those in the grandstand at Overbrook Saturday were from Narberth and we were well represented on the bleachers. Rev. Chris. G. Koppel was prominent among the pilgrims.

Manager O'Brien, of Overbrook, maintained his reputation for "watchful waiting," much to the disappointment of his own fans last Saturday.

**CAPTAIN "BILL" DURBIN.**

Narberth's All-Round Athlete to Lead Haverford School.

William Holmes Durbin, known throughout Narberth as "Bill," has been elected to the captaincy of Haverford's champion base ball team, for the season of 1916. He succeeds Jack Fine, Narberth's sterling back stop.

Bill is known in the athletic world as the best all-around athlete of the Main Line. He was the star on Haverford's foot ball, basket ball, track, and base ball teams, having for two years straight, won the coveted "H" in all these major sports. "Bill," although he has been rather busy in athletic activities at Haverford, always finds time to stick up for Narberth. He played on the champion foot ball and basket ball teams, and he is now sending many a poor pitcher back "to the bushes" by his mighty wallop, on the Narberth ball team.

Take your hats off to "Bill" Durbin, a Narberth lad, and wish him the future success that is due him. Go to it, Bill.

Le Bonbon Enfant.

Electric Service on the Main Line.—Not ready, but this does not prevent you enjoying yourself to-morrow night at the "Strawberry Dansant," Justice lawn, Narberth avenue above Windsor.

**ELMWOOD WINS AGAIN; RITNER TEAM NEXT SATURDAY.**

The Elmwood Base Ball Club continued their good work last Saturday by defeating the strong team of the Standard Supply Company, of Philadelphia, at Sullivan Field, by the score of 9-8.

Cummer pitched a remarkably good game, but his support was not up to the standard. Nevertheless, our Elmwood boys won, and the crowd of nearly a hundred, went home happy.

Doc. Orr's hitting was the feature of the game, while Lester Jeffries' fine playing at first base was of much help in pulling the game through in our favor. Noble took Humphreys'

place behind the bat, as the latter was participating in the big game at Haverford.

Next Saturday the Ritner Field Club, from South Philadelphia, will be the visiting team. Everybody invited—no admission.

The score of last Saturday's game follows:

ELMWOOD.		R. H. O. A. E.			
Winne, cf. ....	0	1	2	1	0
J. Jeffries, lf. ....	0	1	1	0	0
Davis, ss. ....	1	1	3	2	1
Noble, c. ....	1	1	7	2	0
Ludovici, 2b. ....	1	1	1	1	2
Jacobs, 3b. ....	1	2	2	1	1
L. Jeffries, 1b. ....	2	2	6	2	0
Orr, rf. ....	3	3	3	0	0
Cummer, p. ....	0	2	2	2	0
Totals . . . . .	9	14	27	11	4

STANDARD.		R. H. O. A. E.			
Glass, rf. ....	1	1	3	1	0
Lare, 2b. ....	2	0	2	0	0
Brown, 3b. ....	2	1	3	2	1
Enright, c. ....	0	1	2	0	0
Rembach, ss. ....	2	0	3	1	0
McNelis, 1b. ....	0	0	6	1	0
McPhelps, lf. ....	1	0	2	2	1
Phelen, rf. ....	0	2	2	0	0
Kuhn, p. ....	0	1	1	0	1
Totals . . . . .	8	6	24	7	3

PICKUPS.		R. H. O. A. E.						
Elmwood . . . . .	0	0	1	2	0	3	1	x-9
Standard . . . . .	0	0	0	1	0	2	2	1-8

**PICKUPS.**

The grandstand was filled.

The visitors had new striped grey suits.

The grounds are coming around in good shape, and our boys are pleased with them to say the least.

Bowman was missed at his usual place at first base. The Flower Show attracted him for the afternoon. If Sam makes good at the game, as he did at the Flower Show, the Elmwood boys will certainly bring home the bacon again this year.

Pavlowa, the dancing wonder, will not be able to attend the "Strawberry Dansant" to-morrow night, Friday, June 11th, Justice lawn, Narberth avenue above Windsor.

The weather man says: "Warm and clear for to-morrow night, Friday, June 11th. The Strawberry Festival and Dansant, Justice lawn, Narberth avenue above Windsor.

Follow the crowd to-morrow night, you will make no mistake, good things to eat, dancing, real music. The ladies of the Community Club provide all this at the Strawberry Festival and Dansant, Justice lawn, Narberth avenue above Windsor.

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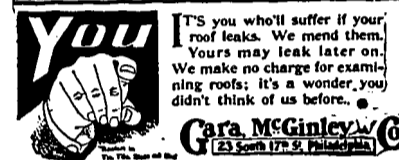
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