

## HEAR OF CORNELL

## Dr. Cole Addresses Rotary And Lions Clubs

Rotary and Lions just naturally fell into the program of the week, that of Cornell College. By design and mutual agreement the college is the chief topic of the day. The year, bringing the 75th birthday of the institution, gives impetus to the interest and honor is her's like that given a splendid benevolent mother.

Dr. Frank Cole brought the estimate and stated the need. Back in the years is noble history and all along the way has developed a soul, spiritual something, that has made and is making the college unique and a mighty force and influence for the good, the true, the beautiful. Hence the bigness and worthiness of the birthday anniversary. Many presents should fall her way, gifts of money to help stabilize and make permanent what has so magnificently been perpetrated through the years.

The anniversary year brings two wonderful opportunities. One, to place \$75,000 against \$75,000 that Carnegie offers and one to place \$1,100,000 against \$500,000 offered by the Rockefeller foundation. The only string to these is the time, the former must be complete by August of this year and the latter by December of next year. Must, is the word on these dates and the absolute limit. So the campaign now for the \$75,000 and next year for the larger. And this is the "why" of Cornell week, to explain and educate so that the citizens of the community will be ready to lift and make possible not only Cornell but a greater Cornell.

The attendance was large at the Rotary meeting and every member listened attentively to the story of Cornell as told by Dr. Cole. The visitor was Mr. Sam Dunn of Clinton.

## TALKS ABOUT CARTOONS

## Dr. Norton Speaks To Lions Club On Tuesday Noon

Dr. Wm. H. Norton, of the Cornell college faculty, was the after luncheon speaker at the Lions club meeting this week. He spoke on the subject of "Cartoons," and specifically of artists who specialize in this branch of the art. The cartoons of some of the leading artists tell a story at a glance for hundreds of readers that get the drift in no other way, and the danger of cursory observation, of missing the real meaning or getting the wrong interpretation, is often vital in the public welfare. Dr. Norton referred to the subtle influence of cartoons when they touched upon international as well as national interest and thus evidently by precept urged careful and discriminatory observation of cartoons. Dr. Norton is a keen observer of current public events and always commands interested attention when he comments thereon. Any way, the Lions members present Tuesday gave evident demonstration of the interest in and enjoyment of his discourse.

The Cornell wrestling team kept its record clean by defeating the University of Nebraska 18 to 0 Saturday evening. Each Cornell man won his match by a decision, although several went into overtime periods. The 115 pound was forfeited by Nebraska because their man was sick. Midkiff, wrestling in the heavyweight division for Cornell, lacked only a quarter of an inch of a fall when the whistle blew. Coach Barker and Leland Wilson gave an exhibition match before the meet started, demonstrating some of the principles of wrestling.

## Win From Nebraska

The Cornell basketball team will play Carleton Monday evening in the Cornell gym.

The Dorcas Sunday School class of the Presbyterian church will hold a bake sale Saturday morning at Patten's store. 11c

## ENJOY LADIES NIGHT

## Lions Have Gay Time At The Grill Tuesday Evening

Two score people, members of the Lions, their best friend and other friends, enjoyed the Ladies' night party given Tuesday evening at The Grill, an annual affair of the club. Grab bag novelties in pairs were drawn by guests and members, in recognition of leap year the ladies finding their masculine partners and assuming the part of gracious escorts by special dispensation of the entertainment committee. The delicious dinner was served in four courses in the main dining room, which continued to be the scene of the evening's festivities, Dr. F. F. Ebersole, president of the club, presiding as toastmaster. Lions Becker, Barker and Jackson were introduced in a stunt, a toast-debate discussion of, more or less, professional qualities that entertained the company for an hour and a half, more or less. Dr. Stratton told of "Little Events in the Lives of Great Men," with associate Lions as victims of his wit, and Lioness Hudelson most graciously

## Hear Travel Lecture

Professor L. R. Herrick of the college faculty provided the entertainment following the luncheon Tuesday at the Lions club. Assisted by Professor Roy Nelson and a stereopticon machine Dr. Herrick gave an interesting sketch of a trip abroad, from the taking of ship in an American harbor across and through the various countries visited by parties of which he was himself in charge. His description of Spanish bull fights, backed by the dramatic pictures, made a notable appeal to many of the listeners.

The meeting next week of the Lions will be the annual Ladies night party, to be held at The Grill.

E. V. R. Dvorak and two brothers-in-law, William Novak and H. W. Klinsky, left Wednesday for Chicago. They will return home Sunday.



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## DR. KEYES TALKS

## Tells Lions Of Indian Historical Facts

The Lions club speaker this week was Dr. Chas. R. Keyes, a member and a local representative qualified to speak on the special topic for which the week is designated in our state, that of Iowa Historical week. Dr. Keyes talked of the original settlers, the Red Men, and in particular related some of the more intimate occurrences which were the experiences of the noted Indian chiefs, Blackhawk and Keokuk, in the days when the white man was ever pushing him along out of the heretofore uncontested domain. Dr. Keyes also speaks Saturday evening in broadcasting from Station WSUI at Iowa City as a part of the state program of the week. "Prehistoric Red Men" will be his subject, on the air beginning at 11:15 o'clock.

## TALKS ABOUT CANDY

## Lions Club Have Novel Program On Tuesday Noon

Lawrence McKay, representing the druggist vocation in the Lions club classification roster, chairman of the meeting, presented a novel program at the week's luncheon session. Opening the exercises after the meal he passed specimens of delicious candy and made that confection the subject of an interesting descriptive talk. Referring to a particular and extensive factory he told of its production capacity and the various degrees of manufacturing chocolates and other candies. Dr. Chas. R. Keyes continued comments of the kind and told of having shown a group of students through the factory on several occasions. Dr. Fred Merritt concluded and elaborated on the subject, presenting the economic features of domestic candy making as bound up in tariff schedules and of the importation of popular ingredients of the sweets, reflecting considerable information in connection with a certain scientifically treated and famous cherry—as smothered in chocolate creams.

## HEAR OF LOCAL INVENTION

## Lions Club Devotes Program To Frank L. Hann's Device

The after luncheon time at the week's Lions club meeting was devoted on Tuesday to a demonstration of the tape cabinet patented, manufactured and being placed on the market by a newly organized corporation of local men. Rev. C. F. Stratton introduced the subject and discussed a typical service club topic, a talk that immediately commanded the attention and interest of the local Lions. The cabinet is a very compact, ingenious and valuable contribution to the work shop of the physician and surgeon, as has heretofore been outlined in these columns. It is the design and development of Frank L. Hann, long a leading business man and mechanic of the local industrial circle. The Multi Manufacturing Corporation is the name of the company putting the cabinet on the market. The officers are Frank L. Hann, president; E. E. Moots, secretary; W. J. Gruenewald, treasurer. F. W. Hann and the officers noted constitute the board of directors. It is needless to note that the enterprise has the well wishes of local business associates generally, and appropriate to add that this was materially promoted through the comprehensive information with which the Lions circle came in touch at the meeting.



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### TALKS ABOUT NORTH

#### Verne McGrath Tells Lions Of His Experiences

The weekly luncheon program of the Lions Club last Tuesday was in charge of Verne McGrath, college senior and well-known football and wrestling star. The club members were "Mac's" guests on a trip to the north woods of Canada.

Following his graduation from Clarion high school, Mac and a high school buddy set out to realize their ambition of some years' standing by heading for the Hudson Bay country in Canada. After outfitting themselves at Winnipeg, the two men headed for the wild country with a sixteen-foot canvass canoe as the only means of transportation other than their own two feet. Their experiences during the months spent in the north were recounted in a way to stir the imagination of the average business man who has to rely on golf or the garden as the only available substitute for life in the open. The search for a lost silver mine, the building of a permanent camp, the first moose, trapping experiences, a trading trip made by dog sledge among the Indians, an attack of snow blindness, eight months of work in the gold mines of the Ontario region—all these and other incidents were presented in a most interesting way by Mr. McGrath, who closed his talk with an expression of great confidence in the industrial future of Canada because of her limitless natural resources.

The club was pleased to have Will M. Gilbert, Cornell Alumnus of '04, as its guest. Professor Gilbert is a member of the faculty of Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, New Jersey.

30,000 pledged to be paid next pay day of the soldiers.

May 8

### See Africa Pictures

A trip through Africa, via the stereoptican, with Professor L. R. Herrick as guide, was the treat in store for the Lions club meeting of Tuesday noon. Mr. Herrick gave a like entertainment last winter with such acceptableness that he was recalled for another demonstration, which proved in no wise to diminish his ability to entertain with realistic travel descriptions. It is also not to be overlooked that the new decorations of the sun parlor windows and embellishment of the tables at The Grill were noted as pleasing demonstrations of the artistic capacities of the hostess.

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### TALKS ABOUT MINERS

#### Rev. Hutchinson Tells Of Conditions In Pennsylvania

"The coal mine operators of Pennsylvania are in the same disastrous situation as the farmers of Iowa," declared Rev. B. W. Hutchinson, of Collinsville, Penna., in a talk Tuesday noon following the Lions club luncheon. "Both situations are attributal in the main to the same cause, the reactionary conditions following the post-war boom inflations." Millionaire coal operators members of the large church of which Rev. Hutchinson is pastor, who bought coal lands at prices when coal was selling at \$25 per ton have been striped in financial disaster from the combined circumstances of reductions from the high prices for coal and the heavy increases of the Jacksonville scale for the miners. Thus does it appear again that it is a long way around in getting back to the conditions of a "brass tacks" basis.

Rev. Hutchinson has been a visitor in town this week as the guest of his son, Professor Mark Hutchinson, of the Cornell faculty. He presides over a fine new church in a city of 15,000 population.



6-5  
VAN METRE HEADS LIONS

Lions Club Elects Officers For  
Ensuing Year

D. U. Van Metre was chosen president of the Lions club for the ensuing year at the regular meeting of the week on Tuesday. Other nominations reported by the committee, all of which were unanimously approved were: Chas. R. Keyes, first vice president; Richard Barker, second vice president; O. V. Jackson, third vice president; Fred D. Merritt, tail twister; Lloyd C. Dean, lion tamer; G. L. Franks, C. E. Hedges, F. F. Ebersole, H. E. Hudelson and Walter Gray, directors; F. W. Wodrich, secretary-treasurer.

There was no regular speaker following the luncheon, the time being devoted to a discussion of some matters of major local interests connected with highways and the Palisades State Park.

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ENTERTAIN WRESTLERS

Lions Club Adjourns For A Two  
Months' Vacation

For the closing meeting of the year, before adjourning for the vacation months of July and August, the Lions club had the privilege on Tuesday noon of entertaining for the luncheon several wrestling stars of national fame. These visitors were Ralph Hammon from Texas, Ralph Prunty from Ames, Messrs Morrison and Hesmer from Illinois University, Lyle Morford of Clarion, and Lloyd Appleton, Cornell champion. The young men were in town training preliminary to tryouts for the Olympic games under Coach Dick Barker, head of men's athletics at Cornell. Mr. Barker introduced each of the guests with a brief resume of their athletic laurels, the modesty of the guests being a noticeable background to their notable records on the wrestling mat.

Following a short business session, the club adjourned until the first Tuesday in September.



DISCUSSES LAW

Carl Hendrickson Makes Interest-  
ing Talk To Lions Club

The history of law was the subject of a talk by Carl Hendrickson before the Lions Club at their Tuesday noon luncheon at The Grill. The speaker traced very briefly the growth of law since the early times, paying special attention to the old English common law. The growth of the custom of following previous decisions was explained as were the rights and liberties of an individual.

Following the talk he conducted a discussion of various questions raised by members of the club in regard to legal matters of general interest. Several of the questions pertained to the negotiable instruments law and the speaker's explanation was easy to understand and very interesting. It is needless to say that the members of the club and their guests enjoyed the program and received many pointers on law that the ordinary citizen ought to know and that are very helpful to him.

The club entertained a number of guests among whom were: E. B. Willix, Freeman Current, T. R. McConnell, James McCutcheon, Karl Weiss and O. S. Washburn.

6-19  
TELLS OF CONVENTION

C. F. Becker Talks To Lions Of The  
Kansas City Meeting

Attorney Carl F. Becker, who attended the Republican national convention held last week at Kansas City, a sole representative from Mount Vernon, was the speaker at Tuesday noon's session of the Lions club. Mr. Becker gave a graphic word picture of the convention as seen by a keen observing layman. He declared the convention "a wonderful example of the fact that the people are still in control of their government if once aroused and feel that a certain man is the proper one for the place." It was also evident to him that "the convention ran away from the bosses, that the bosses did not want Hoover, neither did they want Lowden. Parts of the convention were piffles, but that can not be helped, that part of it being due to the vanity of so-called leaders who wanted to keep in the lime light."

"Not since the time of Roosevelt," declared Mr. Becker, "has there been such a united demand for a man by the common people. Great farm leaders were there for Hoover. Bradfute, former president of the farm bureau, and Hearst, another former farm bureau president, made Hoover their choice. The farm parade was the result of disgruntled politicians with an ax to grind." Senator Borah, who doubts the efficiency of the equalization fee, was a noticeable power of the convention.

The outstanding point of the platform, Mr. Becker believes to be the presidential nominee's declaration that he would do something for agriculture, and Hoover's own statement as to the enforcement of the 18th amendment.



Mount Vernon, Iowa.

Mount Vernon, Iowa, incorporated August 1863, on the Lincoln highway (30) at the junction with the Military road (10), one of the first trails laid out in Iowa and running north and south from Iowa City (then capital city of the state) to Dubuque, is one of the well known college towns of the middle west. It has passed by a few years its seventy-fifth birthday, and this year of 1928 witnessed the diamond jubilee of the founding of its college, Cornell.

There is much of historical interest in the community, an item being that of a cemetery and school house at Abbey creek, just west of the town on the Lincoln highway, established about 1840. The cemetery contains the grave of a real daughter of the Revolution. This grave has been marked by the local chapter D.A.R., the chapter also having arranged to place a tablet at the crossing of the Lincoln highway and Military road, now the intersection of First street and First avenue of the town.

Mount Vernon is also the nearest town to the new Iowa state park, the Palisades of the Cedar River, destined to be one of the choice spots of nature found even in an agricultural district known as the heart of the corn belt. While its population during the school year is but 2,500 the character of its scenic and historical site, its college campus rated as one of the most beautiful and imposing in the nation, its superior surroundings of the highest type of farm land, its nearness to several thriving cities and trade centers of eastern Iowa lends assurance that a not distant future will witness a more marked development. The town's accommodations for the entertainment of transients, hotels, garages, stores, are adequate and attractive.

By A. A. Bauman

July 18, 1928



Cash deposited in Bank

State  
Lions Club

RETURN FROM CONVENTION  
7-19-28  
Lions Club Delegates Reached Home Last Friday

D. U. Van Metre, Dr. F. F. Ebersole and Fred Wodrich returned from Des Moines on Friday, where they had attended the Lions convention held there last week. Mr. Wodrich took enough time off from the convention to win the golf tournament, a signal honor as Lions from all over the United States were entered. Benjamin A. Ruffin of Richmond, Virginia, was elected president of International Association of Lions Clubs.

The new President of Lions International is engaged in the general insurance business and is a partner of one of the leading firms or architects of his city, and also a director of many other companies. He is the author of various insurance papers and insurance forms which have been adopted by the American Bankers' Association and has spoken before many bankers' conventions in various states.

Mr. Ruffin has been associated with Lions International for a number of years, and due to his pleasing personality and eloquent oratorical power he has been constantly in demand as a speaker at district conventions, charter nights and everywhere Lions have gathered.

7-19-28  
**FRED WODRICH  
WINS AT GOLF**

IS FIRST IN LIONS INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT

Wins Beautiful Trophy For A Year And A Fine Leather Golf Bag

Fred Wodrich won the golf tournament of the Lions International convention at Des Moines held during the convention of the International Association of Lions clubs last week. In winning the tournament he bested over 100 Lions golf players from all over the United States and received possession for a year of the beautiful trophy donated by Lions International to the player winning the thirty-six hole medal play championship. Possession of this trophy becomes permanent when it has been won three times. His score was 81-84 a total of 165 for the course.

Mr. Wodrich won the cup when he sank a ten foot putt on the last hole and thus scored one point better than Jack Stowell of Aurora who was second. Hugo Otopolik, wrestling coach at Ames, won third place.

The champion also tied with A. C. Leach for top honors in the blind par event for the outside nine with 35, the blind par figure.

A fine leather golf bag was presented to the winner in addition to the trophy.



9-11-28  
Lions Resume Meetings

The Lions club, following a customary vacation lapse during the summer months of July and August, reconvened Tuesday noon for luncheon at The Grill. The new president, D. U. Van Metre, presided and for the program presented a review of the International convention held at Des Moines, attended by President Van Metre, the retiring president Dr. F. F. Ebersole, and the "veteran" secretary-treasurer, Fred W. Wodrich Jr. Our accomplished secretary-treasurer, it will be recalled, won first honors in the golf contest at Des Moines, one of the leading incidental features of the international session of the Lions, which was duly and officially recognized by the local club on this occasion. Committee appointments for the ensuing year were also announced by the president.

Dr. Homer Annis of Minneapolis, an alumnus and trustee of Cornell College, and Ed Layman of Chicago, were club visitors of the Tuesday year-opening session.

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D. U. Van Metre

9-25-28  
HONOR BOY SCOUTS

Lions Devote Tuesday's Program  
To Their Work

One of the most interesting of recent member talks given at the Lions club was that of Tuesday noon on the local Boy Scouts, presented at the request of President Van Metre. The Boy Scout troop here has recently doubled its membership and made other creditable records, including tests and advancement of members. Ten of the Scouts at camp this summer made good showings. The work of the Scouts in putting up nine of the new Lincoln Highway posts officially dedicating the highway is another of the works of the boys of general interest. The Scouts are intrusted with the permanent care of these substantial and attractive markers. Mr. Wodrich also reviewed in brief the requirements each Scout passes in tests and the amount of study necessary for advancement. Scout Master Frank Benesh, who has served for three years, was cited of itself as an instance worthy of recognition in the local troop record.

Coach Kelley, of Washington high school, Cedar Rapids, was present at the meeting, and told of the preparations being made for the meeting of presidents and secretaries of the ninth district Lions clubs to be held October 10th at Cedar Rapids. A dinner and program will be given at this meeting of Lions club leaders.



10-2-28  
FETE FOOTBALL TEAMS

Lions Banquet College And High School Football Squads

The Lions club paid their annual tribute to the football squads of Mount Vernon high and Cornell College on Tuesday evening. Covers were laid for seventy at the dinner served in the parlors of the church by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church. Following the dinner, to which the hosts and guests were bidden to the dining room by President Van Metre of the club who directed that members mix by taking a guest to the table with them, a feast was given dedicated to the cause of games and athletics. The formal speaker of the evening was Frank W. Edwards, a Cornell alumnus and Waterloo lawyer, who stressed vigorously and entertainingly the policy of mixing brawn while acquiring brain polish in a talk that enlisted the approval and attention of his hearers. Other visitors called upon by Walt Gray as toastmaster, were Coaches Ronald Reed and Dick Barker, who in turn introduced each member of his respective squad to the company. Messrs Horace G. Hedges, Coach Wm. Kelley of Washington High, Ira T. Carrithers, former Coe College coach, and Assistant Coach Jud Dean of Cornell, also responded to the toastmaster's solicitations and with expressions especially acceptable to the athletic characteristics of the assembled session.

Oct 30 -  
Dr. F. F. Ebersole

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LIONS HEAR PROFS.

Keyes And Kelly Have Addressed Them Last Two Meetings

The last two meetings of the Lions club were addressed by Cornell faculty members at the usual after luncheon program. On Tuesday of this week Dr. Chas. A. Keyes told of recent revisions of the curriculum and the drift away from foreign languages and towards economics and other modern studies. Last week Dr. Harry M. Kelly, who for the past few years has been spending the long summer vacation period lecturing for the benefit of visitors in the Yellowstone park, gave an interesting talk on that subject and told of some of the wonders of this premier national park.

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LIONS HEAR BARKER

Tells Them Some Of Fundamentals Of Football

The Lions club meeting this week continued the free educational course of the members in that Cornell faculty members continued to answer to the demands for such opportunity. On Tuesday noon Coach Richard William Barker put the Lions thru a scrimmage as spectators of the game now absorbing the major interest of sport followers. His elucidating description of football plays was made clear by the aid of diagrams on a black board illustrating maneuvers that looked simple enough as carried on by this method, but which will no doubt continue to be illustrative enough as demonstrated on the field. Questions from innocent bystanders present were also answered by Coach Barker with felicity and complete appreciation of the material with which he was dealing.

LIONS HEAR ABOUT CIVIC BETTERMENT

11-6-28

A. A. BAUMAN SPEAKS TO THEM TUESDAY NOON

Makes A Number Of Suggestions For Improvements In Mount Vernon

The speaker at the Lions' club luncheon this week was A. A. Bauman. He chose for his subject "Civic Betterment for Mount Vernon". The first matter that he dealt with was street improvement. He was glad for the additional pavement but stressed the necessity for further pavement, and if that is not possible then a number of the streets that are now impassable most of the year should be rocked or graveled so as to be passable until such time as they can be permanently surfaced. He called attention to the fact that some of our best residential streets are full of dead leaves, brush and junk, sewers clogged with this debris, making such streets look more like an abandoned country road than an improved street in a town of 1500 population.

The lack of street marking should be remedied at once for if the U. S. Postal Department would enforce their rulings we would lose our city free delivery within 30 days, not a street in the town has a visible marker on it to direct a stranger, most of the houses lack numbers, both of these lacks could be corrected at little expense.

The matter of boulevard lights was brought out forcibly when he stated that a neighboring town with hardly twice our population has forty blocks of such lights while Mount Vernon has one.

He also called attention to the wonderful help that the Kepler Memorial or Palisades Park would be to Mount Vernon when it is fully developed, the town and its citizens should cooperate with the Conservation Board to speed up his development.



~~11-14-28~~  
SPEAKS TO LIONS

A. A. Bauman Continues Talk Of Last Week

The Lions club program Tuesday noon was a continuation and discussion of that of the week before on local municipal betterment. End of ways and means in connection with certain visible forms of town expression.

Next week's meeting is to be one of unusual interest, with Arthur McArthur of St. Louis, as a guest and after luncheon speaker. Mr. McArthur was a personal friend of the late James Whitcomb Riley and will speak on the life and works of that immortal American and poet. The Ladies' night program scheduled for next week has been postponed until next month.

11-20-28

Arthur McArthur

CALL MEETING TO STUDY MUNICIPAL CHRISTMAS PLANS

~~11-29-28~~

LIONS CLUB SPONSORS MOVEMENT FOR COMMUNITY TREE

Meeting Has Been Set For Next Monday Evening At 7:30 In The Mount Vernon City Hall

The Lions club at its regular meeting this week devoted the business half-hour to a discussion of Christmas festivities, the time for which is now fast approaching. Ever since the club was organized here a municipal Christmas celebration has been one of the major features of its annual program. The sentiment voiced at the discussion Tuesday noon was to be

Dec. 6  
Ladies Nite

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Business  
Xmas Program

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May we voice to you the true spirit of the Season and of Lionism. . . . .

"Whosoever of you will be the Chiefest, shall be servant of all". . . . .

From the Officers and Directors of the

International Association of Lions Clubs  
Ben A. Ruffin PRESIDENT  
Melvin Jones SECRETARY-GENERAL



# BEGIN WORK ON COMMUNITY TREE AND CELEBRATION

12-6-28

INITIAL MEETING WAS HELD  
AT CITY HALL ON MON-  
DAY EVENING

Merchants Will All Cooperate In  
Financing Municipal Christ-  
mas Tree, Treat And  
Program

Tentative plans for the Mount  
Vernon community Christmas tree  
and celebration were made at the  
meeting of the business men at the  
City Hall on Monday evening. Roy  
Nelson is chairman of the com-  
mittee in charge of the affair and  
with D. U. Van Metre will appoint  
committees to work under them.

The large pine tree in the yard  
at the Myron Neff home will be  
decorated for the community tree.  
A Christmas tree was used last year and  
served the purpose very well.  
Strings of colored lights will be  
chased and used to decorate the  
business district to give Main  
street a festive appearance. The  
Christmas trees and usual decora-  
tions will of course be used.

The community program and  
treat is planned for Christmas eve-  
ning on Monday evening, De-  
cember 24, in the high school audi-  
itorium. Negotiations are now un-  
der way for the use of a movie ma-  
chine and an appropriate film for  
the evening. The usual sing will  
be a part of the program with in-  
vitations going out to all the rural  
schools in the vicinity to be pres-  
ent and take part in singing the  
Christmas carols. The popular  
treat for the kids will be a  
part of the program.

The business men will finance the  
lights and the treat by subscrip-  
tions as they have done in  
previous years. It is a community  
program that has grown to be a popu-  
lar one, and in which the fullest  
participation of everyone is desired.

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## BARKER TALKS TO LIONS

Tells Them of Trip Abroad Last  
Summer

The Lions Club held their regu-  
lar session of the week Tuesday  
noon. Richard Barker was the  
speaker at the luncheon. He told  
of his experiences at the Olympic  
games last summer. Following  
the address the plans for the com-  
ing Christmas were completed.  
Carroll Thomas of Cedar Rapids,  
who is Executive Boy Scout leader  
for this district, was a visitor.

12-25-28

No Meeting

Dear old Pals, there still are times,

You can hear that old gang roar

And it very often happens

That their actions make one sore.

While the weeks roll 'round,

Our friendships grow again-

We're all like grown up boys

Instead of busy men.

Some of the old gang have gone,

Have travelled far from the Hill,

But fond memories linger on

When that old gang eats of the Gull

That wild gang of Ure's.

# MAIN STREET IS DECORATED WITH COLORED LIGHTS

CHRISTMAS TREES ARE IN  
PLACE IN FRONT OF  
EVERY STORE

Plans for Christmas Decorations,  
Community Tree, Program  
and Treat Going Ahead  
Rapidly

Eight strings of colored lights  
have been installed across Main  
street thru the business section of  
Mount Vernon and Christmas  
trees have been placed in the flag  
pole holes in front of each store as  
a part of the plans for Christmas  
decorations in Mount Vernon. The  
lights were lighted on Wednesday  
evening for the first time and made  
a brilliant appearance.

The decision to purchase the  
lights and to decorate the business  
section of town was made at a  
meeting of the business men held  
Monday evening. The plans  
for a community tree, a community  
program and treat had been made  
previously at a meeting a week  
before when the colored light  
opposition had been discussed.

Chairman Nelson reported pro-  
gress in regard to securing a good  
movie machine and a suitable film  
for the community program which  
will be held in the High School  
auditorium on Christmas Eve, De-  
cember 24. A community sing  
will be a part of the program, and  
of course there will be the popular  
treat for the children. Peo-  
ple from a wide territory around  
Mount Vernon are invited to at-  
tend this program which proved  
very popular last year.

The cost of the colored lights  
will be borne by the business men.  
The money to cover the cost of  
the lights and trees, treat, etc.,  
will be raised by them and public  
spirited citizens who care to con-  
tribute. The cost of the entire  
celebration is estimated at about  
\$10. The lights will remain the  
property of the town and can be  
used for decorations on any future  
occasion. The work of installing  
the program was donated by the Iowa  
Railway & Light Corp.