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BOARD'S MONTHLY SESSION

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MET LAST THURSDAY EVENING.

IMPORTANT MATTERS CONSIDERED.

Annual Appropriation Ordinance Passed—Will Further Improve North Side Streets and the Railroad Park.

Every member of the board of trustees responded to roll call Thursday, despite the fact that the mercury was hovering close around the 90 mark. After the minutes of the last regular and adjourned meetings had been read and approved, the monthly reports of Collector Simonson, Superintendent Fowler and Treasurer Rogers were read and ordered filed with the clerk.

The recapitulation of the latter's report showed the following items: Cash balance on hand at last report, \$4900.77; cash received since, \$144.81; expended, \$901.80; leaving a present balance of \$4143.78.

Claim ordinance No. 55, appropriating funds for the payment of sundry bills and water bonds and interest was passed and approved.

The annual appropriation ordinance, appropriating money for corporate purposes, was read and was passed and approved. A full text of the ordinance will be found in another column.

The matter of building a game plate for Railroad park was left with improvement committee. It was voted to have cement letters, such as the one's designating Burlington boulevard at Grossdale, cost not to exceed \$50.00.

Trustee Mochel was named as a committee to see that the fire apparatus, hose, hose-cart, bell, etc., were placed in good repair by the fire marshal. The water committee reported that they had let the contract for painting stand-pipe to J. D. Bryce, who would commence work as soon as weather would permit.

The street and alley committee reported that the sidewalk in front of Klein's market would be raised to conform with walk in front of Chilver's property, during the week.

The street and alley committee recommended building a sidewalk on the north side of Prairie avenue in Gostyn and the ordinance committee was instructed to prepare ordinance for passage at next regular meeting.

Upon motion it was voted to continue the grading of north side streets and the street and alley committee was instructed to continue the work.

The bond of Policeman Kearney in the sum of \$500 was approved.

The street commissioner was instructed to disconnect all drain tile on the north side, leading to the lake, in order to abate the offensive drain nuisance.

Police officers were instructed to enforce the provision of the ordinance prohibiting bathing in the lake, and to arrest all offenders.

Upon motion of Trustee Root, Village Treasurer Rogers was instructed to deposit village funds in the sum of \$8,000.00.

No action was taken upon request of school board for free use of water for a fountain to be placed at the Maple avenue school building.

Upon motion board adjourned.

RESOLUTION.

Whereas, the new court house of DuPage county, situated at Wheaton, is now completed and the board of supervisors has accepted the same from the contractor, and that said building is now known and designated as the DuPage county court house; now therefore, be it

Resolved, That the circuit and county courts of said county and all sessions of the grand jury be held in the respective court rooms in said new building from and after this date, instead of the second floor of the Central block in said city of Wheaton, heretofore designated by the board of supervisors as the court house of DuPage county during the construction of the new building. Be it further

Resolved, That the clerk of this board cause a copy of this resolution to be published once a week for three successive weeks in all newspapers published and circulated in DuPage county. Dated at Wheaton, July 12, 1897.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Wm Liefer to Henry Liefer pt 1/2 blk 10 Cass's add to Hinsdale. 954
Ira Brown to Robert E. Brown its 47 and 48 blk 3 Anderson's add to Wheaton. 1000
H J Stefford to Bridget Martin its 12 and 13 blk 7 Columbia Park add to Turner. 450
Franz Boeder to Dorothea Rosman its 9 blk 3 Moench's add to Elmhurst. 1100
F O Andrews to R S Andrews. Its 28 and 29 blk 3 Stacy Park add to Glen Ellyn. 1200
Jno W LaSalle to Henry Fant its 3 and 4 blk 2 Curtis add to Downers Grove. 2700
Robert E Brown to Ira Brown. Its 23, 24, 25 & 26 blk 2 Anderson's add to Wheaton. 1200
B Lovelless to Wm Kline its 15 blk 5 Lovelless add to Turner. 300
Emil Schwabow to Adeline S. Monroe its 12 River Bluff add to Hinsdale. 300
E H Gary to E H Lewis pt blk 14 Matlory's add to Wheaton. 100

NEW LODGE FOR DOWNERS.

Knights of the Maccabees Organize a Tent Here Last Saturday Evening.

Deputy Great Commander L. M. Schrafer, who has been in the Grove the past two or three weeks working with a view to establishing a tent of the order of the Knights of Maccabees in our village, saw his labors brought to successful fruition last Saturday evening. A tent of twenty-two charter members was instituted at A. O. U. W. hall, with a very promising outlook for a large and flourishing lodge in the future. The start is most auspicious and the new lodge numbers among its members some of the most influential and substantial citizens of Downers Grove. Mr. Schrafer was assisted in the organization by Great Commander Storm of Chicago. The following officers were elected for the coming year:

Past Sir Knight Commander..... A W Morrow
Sir Knight Lieutenant..... W L Hanna
Sir Knight Second Keeper..... D K Craig
Sir Knight Treasurer..... Frank Stanger
Sir Knight Financial..... Dr W W Gouley
Sir Knight Chaplain..... Ed Wootton
Sir Knight Physician..... Dr W W Gouley
Sir Knight Sergeant..... Low Courtright
Sir Knight Master at Arms..... Sam'l Hoffert
Sir Knight 1st Master of Guards..... Ben Cotwell
Sir Knight 2d Master of Guards..... J P Colville
Sir Knight Sentinel..... J A Norpel
Sir Knight Picket..... P C Gallup

AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

To my former patrons in Downers Grove:

Having disposed of my oil route in your town, and thus severed my business relations with you, I feel constrained to make this public acknowledgment and give expression to the prompting of a grateful heart. Our intercourse was agreeable and our dealings mutually satisfactory so far as I could judge from outward appearances. I tried to deal honorably with you; and the unpaid accounts now outstanding are so trifling when compared with the gross amount of sales, that it is proof positive that you dealt fairly with me. Your continued patronage for seven years was a great help to me at a time when I most stood in need of assistance, and for which I shall always hold you in grateful remembrance. It became advisable, however, to lighten my labors, as daily exposure and incessant application to business were telling upon my health. I therefore embraced the opportunity and sold my interest in the business to Mr. Davis, in whom you will find a conscientious Christian gentleman and a man who will deal fairly and attend strictly to business. I take pleasure, therefore, in recommending him as worthy of your confidence and patronage, and have reasons to believe that he will measure up to all I have said in his favor. L. S. HALL, Naperville, July 12, 1897.

A "Q" SUBURBAN EXCURSION.

The date of that much-talked-of excursion of C. R. & Q. suburbanites to Milwaukee is settled upon for Saturday, July 17, and a very low rate of 80 cents for the round trip on the boat has been made. As so many people have their commutation tickets, no other rate will be made to the city, but steamboat tickets must be bought at the depots along the line, and will be on sale from Berwyn to Aurora. At the boat tickets will be \$1.00; children under 12 half fare; 6 years or under, free with parents. The excursionists will go in on the regular trains in time to catch the steamer by 9 o'clock. Special cars will be provided for the return trip. Caretles will meet all trains coming in and meet the boat upon its return, only charging the usual 5c fare from the depot to the boat. The whaleback steamer Columbus is the finest, fastest and safest boat on the lakes, and a most delightful trip is anticipated.

Excursions to Yellowstone Park, Hot Springs, S. D., Deadwood, Denver, Colorado Springs, St. Paul and Minneapolis at greatly reduced rates. Enquire of G. H. Bunge.

C. J. McGinnes, express messenger on the Burlington, who resides on Warren street, had his side badly sprained while handling express in Chicago, Sunday. Notwithstanding his injury he left the city on his usual run Sunday evening, but was compelled to lay off when he arrived at Omaha. He was brought home Tuesday and will be under the care of the doctor for some time.

A subscription is in circulation in the interest of the Episcopal church asking aid in completing their new structure. This is a worthy object and should receive great encouragement from our citizens. These good people have made persistent efforts to build a church home and are at that stage now that a reasonable amount of financial aid will place them on their feet with a nice commodious church building. Some of their members heretofore have been very liberal in extending aid to other church societies here and that liberality should now be reciprocated.

Local and Personal Paragraphs.

White Rose gasoline, Nash Bros. Additional local news on fifth page. Miss Edith Graham is visiting in Plano.

Go to Mertz & Mochel's for croquet sets. If you wish fence of any sort go to Brode's.

E. M. Gallup is home for a two weeks vacation. Isaac Mason is contemplating a trip to the west.

T. Holland and family drove to Le-mont Sunday. Born, July 2d, to Mr. and Mrs. E. Bohling, a daughter.

A few of our residents complain of the Illinois chiggers. Thos. Bickford left Tuesday for Dubuque, Ia., on business.

J. Henderson and Frank Black were Le-mont visitors Sunday. All the garden hose that Brode & Co. sell is guaranteed for one season.

Mrs. F. R. Owens and baby returned from their western visit Monday. William Graham of Tarkio, Mo., visited his uncle and family here last week.

Money to loan, from \$300 up, on good real estate security. Exchange office. A number of the young people are planning a camping party for next week.

We have a few good bargains to offer in second hand gasoline stoves. Mertz & Mochel.

There was an addition of three young men to the Congregational church last Sabbath morning.

Miss Ella Strupler of Naperville is making her aunt Mrs. A. Courtright an extended visit.

Beautify your lawn by using Darling's lawn fertilizer; 3 cts per pound; at Mertz & Mochel.

Light underwear season is at hand. Thompson has the better grade goods at the bargain prices.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Reed of Chicago visited last week with her aunt, Mrs. D. K. Craig, and family.

Craig's Pennsylvania gasoline burns best, burns longest and is more economical. Try a can. 74 degrees test.

Leave orders at Hughes & Gallup's for hauling trunks, freight and express. They will be promptly attended to. J. D. McVean.

A. Born, July 3d, to Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Whitney, a girl. Mrs. Dr. Miller reports mother and daughter as doing nicely.

M. King Bush and Frank M. Stanger spent Saturday and Sunday in Omaha, Neb., returning to the Grove Monday morning.

X Mrs. Dawes and daughter, Miss Lillian Dawes, of Omaha, Neb., are visiting her mother, Mrs. Bateman, on south Main street.

S. R. Smart has put in the greater part of his time since his return from the hot springs in making needed improvements about his farms.

Excursion to Milwaukee on the steamship Christopher Columbus, July 17th, at 80 cents for the round trip from Chicago. Tickets on sale now at the depot.

Evan R. Evans of Hinkley stopped off in the Grove last Friday on his way home from an extended visit at Utica, N. Y., and vicinity, his former home thirty years ago.

A business meeting of the men of the St. Joseph Society will be held at the residence of Mr. J. J. Riley, Monday evening next at 8:30 o'clock. All are requested to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Hindman are the proud parents of the largest baby that has arrived in the village for many months. It is a thirteen pound daughter, born Saturday, July 10th.

Mrs. Will Banker (nee Miss Alma Root) of St. Paul, Minn., is spending a short time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Root, and other relatives in Downers Grove, among whom is her grandmother, Mrs. Kenyon.

The Ladies Guild of the Episcopal church will serve ice cream and cake at the residence of Mrs. W. S. Waples this Thursday evening. The socials given by the Episcopal ladies are always very enjoyable and the one to be given this evening will not prove an exception.

A number of young people gathered at the home of Miss Flossie Rando on the 12th to assist her in the observance of her birthday anniversary. Dancing, games, and refreshments were the chief features of the entertainment and it was a happy company. Mrs. Harry Courtright assisted Mrs. Rando in making the occasion pleasing to the delighted guests.

National Light oil at Nash Bros. Crockery given away at Thompson's. Mrs. T. S. Marsh has returned home from Owasso, Mich.

Thompson's fruits and vegetables are always fresh and nice. Wm. Straube left last night on a business trip to Omaha.

H. M. Bateman and Ed Graves are passing vacation days in Downers. Elmer Escher and Miss Cora Escher are away for a visit of a few days.

Charles Larson of Wells Fargo express Co. is visiting with W. H. Blodgett. Get your lawn fertilizer and easy running lawn mowers at Brode & Co.'s.

John Kozrzeski and a friend from the city were here on business last Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Anderson, now of LaVergne, were callers in Downers the past week.

Miss B. A. Remington of Neligh, Neb., is visiting with Mrs. G. H. Bunge this week.

Summer fabrics for the ladies' shirtwaists in many pleasing patterns at Thompson's.

Ice cream social this evening at the residence of Mrs. W. S. Waples on the North side.

William Devereux sustained a few painful bruises in a cave-in on Grove street Monday.

Thompson is furnishing wheelmen with a nice bicycle shoe at a very moderate price.

Miss May Bibbee of Benton Harbor, Mich., is visiting her friend Miss Susie Edwards, this week.

The morning services at the Congregational church have been changed from 10.30 to 10.45.

The friends of Mrs. Gallup will be sorry to hear of her severe illness, and hope for speedy recovery.

The Police Magistrate held two sessions of court Tuesday, at 8 a. m. and 4 p. m., continued till 7 p. m.

For Rent—The Hobart property at the corner of Curtiss and Washington streets. Inquire of Levi Mertz.

Mrs. Wm. Nelson of Chicago visited Mrs. W. H. Barnhart Friday and assisted the Maccabees in the evening.

The ice distributed by Hughes & Gallup has other qualities besides cooling properties. It is clean and pure.

Misses May and Bessie Ducat and Master Reginald Ducat visited their aunt, Mrs. Burke, and family, the past week.

High-class ladies' and misses' shoes at Thompson's, at low-class prices. The latest fashions and toes in the fashionable leathers.

E. E. Bunge returned from Plano Tuesday. He leaves again to-day for Hinkley, where he will work as night operator.

Mrs. Redfield, and Mrs. Scottford of Hinsdale, lunched with Mrs. Farrar, and called on their friends in Downers Wednesday.

Prof. H. B. Larrabee, superintendent of schools in Rapid City, So. Dakota, visited his brother-in-law, Rev. H. H. Rood, this week.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Congregational church held a social this evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mayer.

Henry Block has been enjoying a vacation at home during a part of the severe hot spell. He resumed his business in the courts in the city Wednesday.

Rev. H. L. Rood of Chicago, with his wife and little boy, are spending their summer vacation with his twin-brother—the pastor of the Congregational church.

A meeting of the 4th of July committee occurs tomorrow night at the village hall. A final settlement of all matters relating to the recent celebration will be made.

Mrs. Rando and Mrs. Harry Courtright with their children, also Mrs. E. White, T. Holland, Art Rose and Glen Edwards spent a delightful day at Manhattan beach last Wednesday.

Mr. Straube is having the factory painted, something that has never happened to it before. Mr. Straube has done and is doing a great deal in business and other lines to assist in the progress and prosperity of our village. And we hope that all our people duly appreciate the value of his efforts.

The fire insurance companies represented by D. G. Graham have made a material reduction in rates to take effect on all policies on and after this date. These rates are lower than in any of the other surrounding towns and probably lower than any other place in the state. Call and get rates and insure in old reliable companies.

NEW INSTITUTION FOR DOWNERS.

Prospects That Our Village Will Become A Second Dwight.

Mr. M. M. Parmer, recently from South Dakota, having had two years' experience in the use of Ayres One-Day Cure for drunkenness, is in our village for the purpose of organizing a company to establish an institute here which, if put into successful operation, will be the means of doing great good to this community in more ways than one. The capitalist can easily discern the great profit to be derived therefrom; the business man an increase of his trade; the real estate agent an improvement in the sale of property; the christian an opportunity to save a soul; the charitably disposed a chance to lift men from the lowest depths of degradation to higher paths of usefulness. Men who have drunk the glass from their windows, carpets from their floor, clothes from the family; food from the table, honor, self-respect, integrity—all gone—objects of pity, objects of sympathy, objects of charity—to such men the Ayres Remedy is like the Balm of Gilead.

The united efforts of the classes named in operating a company for such a laudable purpose, with such a charitable object, cannot fail to be both prosperous and profitable.

A WAIL FROM THE EAST.

As a sequel to the ball game played here the 5th, comes the cry from the Hinsdale Doings that "Downers was favored by prejudicial umpires," and further that "with just decisions Hinsdale would have scored a strong victory."

It was the united opinion of all competent judges who witnessed that game that the decisions of Umpires Davis and Hedge were eminently fair. A glance at the tabulated score as published in the REPORTER last week will convince any fair minded man that Downers Grove with 15 base hits and 2 errors against Hinsdale's 10 base hits and 5 errors won by superior playing and not by "prejudicial umpires."

Such insane exhibitions of peevish disappointment are the curse of amateur athletics. Anyone who cannot take an honest defeat without crying should confine his amusements to solitaire or parlor croquet. Then his unreasonable whimpers will disturb no one.

HOTTER THAN THE WEATHER.

A dignified and grave citizen of Downers Grove who lives on Railroad street, and the top of whose head has risen above the timber line, was down in the country the other day during the hot spell, and saw an honest farmer adopt the simple remedy of placing a horse radish leaf in the crown of his hat as a preventative of sunstroke. Our respected friend followed suit and when a neighbor called in at the hospitable home on Railroad street that same evening, the subtle odor of arnica and other remedial liniments pervaded the dwelling, and the devoted wife and daughter were decorating the aforementioned bald-head with artistic scraps of court-plaster, cut bias, in order to alleviate the suffering caused by the generous blisters which resulted from the persuasive drawing qualities of the aforesaid horse-radish.

A SURPRISE.

The friends of Mrs. W. W. Alford gave her quite a surprise last evening at her home on Prince avenue. She was induced by her son Fred to go to a neighbor's, and when she returned the following friends were there to greet her: Messrs. and Mesdames J. Wells, W. S. Waples, Ballington Waples, Dr. F. Kennison, F. E. Mayer, C. H. Hartman, Robert Buck, Mrs. Cora Rando, Miss Flossie Rando, Mrs. Harry Courtright, Mrs. Ellen A. Smethurst, Miss Hattie Costello. Ice cream, cake and other refreshments were served, and everybody present enjoyed themselves thoroughly until nearly midnight. The event celebrated Mrs. Alford's birthday anniversary.

Painter Bryce and a force of artists are engaged this week in giving the waterworks standpipe a coat of lustrous paint that will make the stately landmark a thing of beauty and a joy for some time to come.

The small boy, who had industriously weeded onions under the broiling sun of Tuesday morning, received his first actual knowledge of the bitter disappointments that assail humanity, when with his hard-earned dime clutched firmly in his grimy paw, he hurried to the North side grounds and found that the much lauded circus was a myth, a mere child of fancy. There were others, notably the young man who drove three miles to get his best girl and then learned that no red-headed would be served at the store that never came.

SATURDAY'S BICYCLE RACES

WERE WITNESSED BY A LARGE AND ENTHUSIASTIC CROWD.

GUY WHEELER GETS A HARD FALL.

Lynn Wheeler and Ernest Smith Carry off First Prizes—Fast Time is Made Considering the Condition of Track.

The bicycle races scheduled for the 5th, but postponed on account of rain, called out all the people who have wheels, and several who haven't, Saturday afternoon. The crossing at Main street and Maple avenue was covered with a surging mass of men, women and little kids, who gazed with eager, earnest eyes at the headquarters of the bicycle club.

At 4 o'clock sharp the doors of the club house opened and the racers appeared in rainbow-tinted costumes. Solomon in all his glory wouldn't be ace high to some of the riders who, covered with blushes and hie thread, lined up on the chalk mark and waited for the signal. Contrary to all expectations they didn't start from that line, and the five athletes entered for the half-mile race pedaled slowly east on Maple avenue, led by Ed Zarn, whose suit would put the cheeks of a Chicago opera house soubrette to shame. E. Smith followed in orange vestments and Aylesworth, L. Wheeler and E. Scher brought up the rear in less gaudy raiment. At Benton avenue they were met by Starter A. J. Hobart and at 4:30 five vari-colored streaks lurled down the course toward the chalk mark. Zarn and Smith pumped furiously and the scratch men vainly endeavored to overhaul them. Smith crossed the line first, followed two and three seconds later by Wheeler and Zarn. Aylesworth attempted to spur but found the pace too hot for him and came in fourth. Just as the two mile race was called Scher scorching through the crowd looking for the handicapper who had given him only twenty yards.

Ed Zarn received a 30-second handicap in the two-mile race and started out amid the encouraging shouts of his friends. Fifteen seconds later the orange man started after the flying red streak like a monkey up a light rope. Aylesworth and L. Wheeler began the races together but Lynn got mixed with a rolling stone at the second corner and rested for the five-mile race.

As Guy Wheeler passed Thompson's store on the second lap he lost his pedal and just missed losing his life; as it was he plowed up 15 feet of the waterworks trench with his nose and was carried to the horse trough to sort himself out.

Zarn led for the first lap, but Smith kept closing the distance and came in an easy winner, with Zarn 19 seconds behind him and Aylesworth nowhere.

The great event was the five-mile race. Floyd Farrar led off with a minute handicap and a grim determination to get there. Zarn followed with 30 seconds start and a light-running sawing machine movement. E. Smith received 15 seconds and went down the line with a victor's smile and a cramp in his calf. Guy Wheeler didn't care to ride. Lynn Wheeler and Aylesworth started from scratch with a Zimmerman-Johnson scheme of pacing each other to victory. Once around it worked like a charm; but Aylesworth found the pace fatiguing and fell by the wayside. With admirable pluck Farrar kept his tremendous pace up and even increased his lead for three laps, but the steady grind was too much for him unpaced, and slowly but surely Lynn Wheeler, his knees working like piston rods, gained on the gamey leader, and passed him ten yards from the goal. Zarn rode the five laps in good form. Smith's cramps proved too much for him and he quit in the third lap.

The races were all good and considering the condition of the roads and the numerous corners excellent time was made. The time of the leaders was as follows:

Half-mile race—	
E. Smith, 10 yards handicap.....	1:20
L. Wheeler, scratch.....	1:22
Ed Zarn, 15 yards handicap.....	1:28
Two-mile race—	
E. Smith, 15 seconds handicap.....	4:40
Ed Zarn, 30 seconds handicap.....	4:26
Aylesworth, scratch.....	7:12
Five-mile race—	
Lynn Wheeler, scratch.....	15:20
F. Farrar, 1 minute handicap.....	16:20
Ed Zarn, 30 seconds handicap.....	25:10

A GOOD LOCATION.

For Rent—I offer for rent the south store room in my new building now being erected. The building will contain all modern conveniences. Size of store room 25x40 feet. Possession will be given Dec. 1st. Also the entire third floor of building, arranged for hall and lobby, and all conveniences. Possession given in September. Particulars apply to John J. ...