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ANNUAL PATRIOTIC BANQUET.

Patriotism the Theme at the Methodist's Second Annual Function.

Patriotism of the type that inspired the American revolution and the declaration of independence was the dominant feature of the toasts responded to at the second annual banquet of the Methodist church at the Auditorium last Thursday evening. Stirring pictures were drawn of the heroism of Washington, patriotic songs were sung and the program was filled with features intended to develop the spirit of love of country and of good citizenship. Recent wars in which our country has been engaged also furnished many thoughts by which the same lesson—patriotism—was taught, and the expansion spirit was dominant in a large number of the addresses.

Seats at the banquet were taken shortly before 7 o'clock. Four long tables were entirely inadequate to accommodate the vast throng; but the crowd came more to hear the feast of reason than to eat, and all were satisfied. Rev. Edgar H. Libby invoked the divine blessing, and the guests proceeded with the enjoyment of the varied menu provided. Programs containing the menu and arrangement of toasts, printed in patriotic colors, with the American flag on the title page and a handsome picture of the church, were placed at each plate.

Following the banquet, Rev. Truman E. Greene, in behalf of the church and its allied organizations, welcomed the guests and officiated as toastmaster, taking occasion during the evening, in introducing the speakers, to make many brilliant remarks, which were varied with amusing anecdotes and kept the guests in constant good humor. The orchestra, composed of Messrs. S. H. Frey, Will Roth, Will Heintz, E. J. W. Dietz, W. H. Babcock, F. C. and Wm. Lancaster and A. E. Courtright, opened with an overture—"Golden Fleece"—which was followed by Misses Caroline Martin and Ollie Lamb in a vocal duet, "The Battle Eve," and responded to an encore.

F. A. Dawes responded to the toast "Mr. Filipino's Birthday." He reviewed the rapid strides made by our nation in history-making during the past century, the struggle for freedom of the Cubans and United States' intervention. The Filipino's birthday, he said, was on that memorable May 1st, when Admiral Dewey sailed into Manila bay and struck the fetters from their hands in relieving them from Spanish oppression. The United States must for the present, he said, control the Philippines until such time as their inhabitants are sufficiently intelligent for self government. The responsibility now rests with the United States to govern their colonies wisely—not for profit alone—but in such a manner as will assist the present belligerent subjects to future self-government, and found a state where liberty will be protected by equal laws. In shattering the shackles of Spanish tyranny from the Filipino, destiny placed the islands under our control, and where the flag is once planted it must remain—the emblem of justice and liberty.

Charles Carpenter had his theme—"The Heroes of '61." He read his response, and elicited applause in his eulogy of Washington and Lincoln and his reference to the flag as the symbol of a nation stronger and more glorious than ever before in its history. There were many heroes, he said, who did not wear the blue. These were those who were forced by circumstances to remain at home, where, however, they, with heroic bravery, sustained and aided the man with the musket—"the hero of 1861."

Miss Mabel Lamb gave a brilliant and witty response to the toast "Bachelors," in which she took occasion to give the village a twinge on the lack of public improvements. She deplored the fact that Downers Grove contained more bachelors, both masculine and feminine, than any other town of equal size, and hoped that a way might be devised to have some of them happily married and that they might live so ever after.

A quartet composed of Miss Mabel Manner, Mrs. Eva L. Greene and Messrs. Vincent Lovell and Harry Bryce gave a selection.

"Our Dutch and English Cousins" was the subject of a toast assigned to W. D. Herring. He referred to the history of the Transvaal and to the relations of the Boers and Britons, and stated his sympathies were with the English. He denounced the policy of the Boers, and stated that they were incapable of self-government.

Harry S. Wheeler had for his toast "Practical Politics." Practical ideas must, he said, be applied to political economy. Washington was a practical patriot. He gave his views of treating matters of a political nature. The child of today is the man of tomorrow. He would begin by training him now

for the duties which would confront him when he had grown to maturity. To this end he advocated establishing schools where self-government of the pupils attending should be a feature. Let patriotism be instilled into his every-day life, but have practical knowledge to back up the patriotism. "George Washington, the Ideal Patriot," was treated by Mrs. Harriet Gibbs Winslow in a response of exceptional merit. He, she stated, was the patriot who had achieved more greatness than any other hero. His indomitable courage led him to success when others would have failed. He stands in history as one of the greatest figures in the annals of time. The wisdom he displayed placed upon him the stamp of a genius. Many phases of Washington's life were taken up in detail and elaborated on with word pictures. She spoke of the humanity of the humble though great leader, and drew stirring pictures of his heroism and the troops in the snow-covered camps and battle scenes of the revolution. The people love the man, she said, and love to call him father.

Interspersed with the toasts were musical selections by Misses Lamb and Martin, and a bass solo, "The Bell Buoy," by S. H. Frey, with orchestra accompaniment.

The toast, "Men for the Hour," responded to by Howard P. Jones, closed the speaking. What was needed, he said, were men of character. Not more, but better men; not simply increased numbers, but improved quality. Men for the hour must be patriots. Today man's service should be first to his country. Love of country is the underlying sentiment of this nation.

"My country right, my country wrong—my country, right or wrong—my country," is the slogan of millions. Earth has seen the growth and decay of empires, the rise and fall of dynasties, but more than any preceding time the present hour is potent for the advancement of the welfare of humanity or the decline of the race to chaotic barbarism. We are on the eve of a change. The fever of personal and national aggrandizement, so long rampant in the older nations, has affected this country and now whether we will or no we have taken our place in the world movement. If we can preserve intact the sturdy common sense which has made America foremost in trade, continue the patriotism which so far has marked the councils of the nation, and maintain the bravery which has made the fame of the American soldier, then American citizens may well lay claim to the title Men for the Hour.

Toast Master Greene in closing thanked the audience for their presence and hoped that the annual banquets might be continued to teach the lessons of patriotism drawn from the life of Washington, whose birthday the occasion commemorated, and hoped that should he be called to another field he would be remembered with an invitation, promising in advance his acceptance thereof.

A double number by the orchestra ended the banquet and the audience joined in the strains of "America," closing one of the most enjoyable functions ever given in Downers Grove.

IN MEMORIAM.

At a regular convention of Maple Grove Lodge No. 929, Knights of Pythias, held at Downers Grove, February 21, 1900, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, It has pleased the Supreme Chancellor, in His infinite wisdom, to remove from worldly labor to eternal rest in the celestial lodge above our esteemed friend and brother, Robert Buck; and,

Whereas, It has been thought fit and proper by the members of this lodge that the memory of our departed brother should be kept alive in the memories of this lodge, and that the archives of our lodge may bear witness to the memory and virtues of our departed brother; therefore be it

Resolved, That one page of the records of this lodge be devoted to the memory of Brother Buck, in whose departure the community has suffered the loss of an exemplary citizen, the widow a loving husband, and our lodge a true and faithful brother Knight; and be it further

Resolved, That to the family we, the members of this lodge, tender our heartfelt sympathy in this their hour of deep sorrow. Be it further

Resolved, That the foregoing resolutions be published in the Downers Grove Reporter, and that they also be engrossed and presented to the widow as a slight mark of our esteem for our departed brother.

G. H. BUNGE, C. W. WEBER, BERT C. WHITE, Committee on Resolutions.
FRANK J. GORMAN, C. C.
Geo. W. GLENNY, K. of R. and S.

Men's Light-weight Buckle Arctics, sizes 6 to 8, at 75 cents per pair while they last. J. W. Nash.

Local and Personal Paragraphs.

White Rose gasoline, Nash's. National Light oil at Nash's. Buy Standard oil of E. E. Morris. "A Debt of Honor" at the Auditorium March 13th.

Be sure you attend the lecture at Carpenter's hall on March 7th.

E. C. Stanley was in Ottawa, Ill., over Sunday, the guest of his sister.

Electric light wiring and fixtures. A. J. Lundberg, the electrician, bank building.

Miss Lizzie Davis has been quite ill for several weeks, but is slowly gaining in health.

The marriage of Henry Lehman and Miss Amelia Offerle occurred Sunday at the residence of the bride's parents. J. W. Morford is making extensive repairs and improvements on the farmhouse on Ed Wootton's place south of town.

Superintendent Searles entertained an old friend school superintendent at Connorsville, Ind., Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Escher, who visited friends here last week, departed Wednesday for their home in Leadville, Col.—Clarion.

Principal Searles and the president of the board of education are representing the Downers Grove schools at the National School Superintendents' association in Chicago this week.

J. B. B. Moop desires to announce to his former patrons that he has closed out his grocery business, and wishes to thank them for the patronage extended him. All who are indebted to him are requested to call and make immediate settlement of their accounts.

The Oaks Dramatic club, of Austin, will give an entertainment at the Auditorium Saturday evening under the auspices of the Downers Grove club. The program will consist of the comedies "The Doctor" and "The Baron's Wager," with Mr. and Mrs. J. K. O'Neil in the leading roles.

The East Grove Ladies Aid society met at the home of Mrs. J. C. F. Romoiss, Wednesday afternoon, February 21. After much work was finished they adjourned to meet at the home of Mrs. Elmer Dexter Wednesday afternoon, March 7th. A barrel of clothing was sent to the poor of Chicago this week.

The C. E. society will hold an oyster supper and entertainment in the basement of the Congregational church on tomorrow (Friday) evening. Supper served from 6 to 8 o'clock. We bespeak for the young people a large attendance, as the proceeds are to be devoted to a good cause. Everybody make it a point to drop in for supper.

A law suit will be heard before Judge Graham Friday as a result of the horse race between Naperville parties with their road horses, between that place and Downers Grove some time ago. The race was for \$50 a side—the winner pocketing the money. Now along comes the losing man with a suit to recover on the ground that the wager was a form of gambling.

During the recent spell of sleighing which we enjoyed, a young couple were out for a pleasant drive one evening, and coming to a very fine piece of road the young man asked the lady if she believed in palmistry. "I believe," she replied, "that if I could see the lines in one of your hands I could foretell that we would have a very pleasant evening." He grasped the lines in one hand and the situation in the other. We promised not to mention names.

Downers Grove was snowbound yesterday by the heaviest fall of snow in some years. In the twenty-four hours ending last night over a foot fell and gave employment to the snow plows in keeping the walks clear of the drifts. Two trips were made, but the snow would no sooner be cleared off than the stormy northeast wind filled up the trenches made by the plow. This morning pedestrians were glad to observe the crew making a third round. Sleighing will be in season for some time as a result of the storm.

Willie Wing, an employe of George Moy's Chinese laundry, has severed his connection with that institution as a result of a disagreement between the sons of the Flowery Kingdom. Willie, contrary to orders, went to the city Sunday and smoked such a "strong pipe" that returning on the last train he slept and was carried through to Aurora, consequently the laundry remained closed until Mr. Moy returned from Chicago late Monday morning. This so increased the celestial employer that he fired his Mongolian assistant without further delay. Wing took a trip back to Chinatown in the city Tuesday.

Oh, Family Safety. No smoke; no more dim chimneys. The best oil in town, only 14c per gallon, at C. S. Hughes & Co.'s hardware store.

Mrs. Fred Binder has been seriously ill for some time.

Mrs. E. C. Schaeffer, of Ottawa, was a caller in Downers Monday.

Episcopal Church—Services as usual on Sunday at 3:30 o'clock p. m. No Sunday school.

Hughes & Gallup have put in a stock of paints and oils—the Monarch ready mixed and Senour floor paints.

Dr. T. F. Leech has rented the Burnett house on Curtiss street of W. H. Barnhart and will take possession today.

The regular monthly meeting of the Library association will be held in the library room next Tuesday, March 6th, at 2:30 o'clock.

Mrs. H. P. Kellogg has returned from her sad mission in Benson, Vt., and will soon be at home to her friends on Lyman avenue.

Rev. Pope, the new minister at the Baptist church, arrived with his family this week and will occupy the Daily residence on Maple avenue. He will commence his pastorate Sunday.

Hughes & Gallup desire to make special mention of their delicious cheese. They have all kinds—Edam, brick, Limburger, and the very best New York full cream cheese on the market.

The lecture that was to have been given on February 28th was postponed for one week on account of the severe storm, consequently Mary Rose Beritzhoff will speak before the ladies of Downers Grove Wednesday, March 7th, at Carpenter's hall. All ladies are cordially invited to attend. No admission will be charged.

The Downers Grove Dramatic club, as a benefit for the widow of the late Robert Buck, will, on Tuesday, March 13th, present the beautiful drama, "A Debt of Honor." The piece is sparkling with comedy and has a story of absorbing interest. Those who will attend have a dramatic treat in store for them.

The marriage of Miss Julia Mochel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Mochel, and Mr. Florence Liebundguth, son of Peter Liebundguth, was solemnized yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, south of town. Rev. J. J. Meyers, of the Lacey church, officiated. They will commence housekeeping on the R. O. Curtiss farm, south of Downers Grove.

The marriage of Miss Gertrude Roth and Fred Jones took place in Chicago yesterday. The couple left for a visit at Lincoln, Illinois, with the bride's sister, Mrs. Fred Tittle. The groom is employed as florist at Prince's greenhouse and is a worthy young man. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Roth, and is a bright and energetic young lady with a host of friends.

One of the prettiest parlor entertainments of the winter was given by the Ladies Library association on Tuesday evening at the delightful home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Edwards. Music, recitations and the experiences of twelve bachelors and maids, in their endeavors not to live a life of single blessedness, and their reasons for being single all these years, were given, creating much amusement. All the performers did well. The affair was thoroughly enjoyed.

A dozen young ladies and gentlemen took possession of the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Caldwell last Saturday night in consequence of a surprise on the young ladies of the house, the Misses Laura and Irene Caldwell. After enjoying music and games they were served with refreshments. Those present were Bertha Mochel, Inez McVean, Florence Moody, Bessie Herring, Bessie Sharp, Harly Clarke, Melville Downer, Basil Clarke, Ralph Herring, Pierce Downer and Arthur Ambrose.

The Illinois State Board of Health is issuing circulars notifying the public of the prevalence of small-pox throughout the state and recommending properly performed vaccination as a safe and positive protection. The disease now in existence is happily of a modified type, causing but few fatalities. It may, however, assume the most virulent form within a month, and through the influence of the wide dissemination of the germs of small-pox create an epidemic involving the loss of thousands of lives. Vaccination is the sole protection. This is necessary not only for the protection of the lives and health of the people, but also of business. One case of small-pox may cost a municipality thousands of dollars.

FIRE IN EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Fire damaged the interior of the Episcopal church to the extent of about \$75 last night, shortly after 7 o'clock. The blaze originated from an overheated furnace and was discovered by Wm. S. Waples, who gave the alarm by ringing the church bell. The fire department responded pluckily and dragged the heavy hose cart through the big drifts of snow—in many places over three feet deep. The seat of the fire was directly over the main register of the furnace. When the firemen arrived the flames were burning around the edges of the register and had eaten their way back between the joists a distance of ten feet either way. Chief Davis and his men carefully laid a line of hose and turned a stream on the fire, quenching the flames without damaging the building to any great extent. The damage was caused mainly by the smoke and is fully covered by insurance. Services were to have been held at the church last night—Ash Wednesday—and the janitor had built a fire in the furnace late in the afternoon to warm the building. The fire gained such headway that overheating of the register resulted.

NEW MINISTER ARRIVES.

Rev. C. J. Pope, who recently received a unanimous call to the pastorate of the Baptist church of our village, arrived from Fort Madison, Iowa, on Monday of this week. Master Walter Pope accompanied his father, while Mrs. Pope and two little daughters will follow. The Daily property on Maple avenue has been rented and will be their home after March 1st. During the past two months the pulpit has been filled by very excellent men. People felt themselves favored to hear again Rev. E. W. Annable, who was a lay member here for so many years, and who received his ordination at the hands of this church. At best, however, a church without a regular pastor is in a somewhat disorganized condition, and all are rejoiced to welcome the pastor and the renewed energy and greater activity which his coming means. Rev. Pope begins his work in our village March 1st, and will, therefore, occupy his pulpit next Sunday.

WITH THE MERCHANTS.

Artistic wall paper at Buck's. Try Morris' Standard gasoline. Additional local news on fifth page. Piano to rent; inquire at Straube's factory.

Blue flame oil for blue flame stoves at Nash's.

The only place in town to buy blue flame oil is at Nash's.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin convinces you of its merits the first dose you take.

The Senour floor paints are the best on the market. For sale by Hughes & Gallup.

Will exchange dentistry for hay, oats, grain, or potatoes. Dr. A. W. Morrow.

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NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.

Notice is hereby given of the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank of Downers Grove, Ill., to be held Saturday, March 10th, 1900, in the bank building, at 2 o'clock p. m., to hear the reports of its officers, to elect directors and transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting. W. H. EDWARDS, Secretary.

RATES FOR COMMERCIAL LIGHTS.

Village Board Fixes Rates to Be Charged—Engage Electrical Engineer.

The subject of rates to be charged by the village to consumers of commercial electric current, which has been under consideration by the village board for some time past, was decided by that body at a meeting held Tuesday evening. President Gallup and Trustees Prince, Woelfersheim, Mochel and Pearsall were present, Trustees Bush and Hughes absent. After careful consideration the following schedule of rates was decided upon:

Rates for light upon meter basis were fixed at three-quarters (3/4) of a cent per watt hour, with discount of 10 per cent for prompt payment, village to furnish meters at the uniform rate of \$12, regardless of capacity. This charge does not cover the cost of meter, but is merely a deposit, which will be refunded on return of meter to village. The schedule for flat rates per month was fixed as follows:

One 16-candle power light	\$.50
Two 16-candle power lights	.55
Three 16-candle power lights	1.25
Four 16-candle power lights	1.70
Five 16-candle power lights	1.85
Six 16-candle power lights	2.00

Each additional light up to and including twelve lights, 25 cents each, and 20 cents each for each additional light over twelve, with a discount of 10 per cent for prompt payment.

The plant will run from nightfall until 1 o'clock a. m. during the spring and summer. The board authorizes the statement that in all probability next fall and winter the plant will be operated all night for the above rates. It is expected that the plant will be in operation about the first of April.

The committee in charge of the matter have engaged the services of Frank L. Sloat, formerly of Streator, as electrical engineer, who will have charge of the lighting plant and general supervision of the property. The engineer's salary will be \$75 per month. In this connection the village desires to announce that wiring of houses will be done by the engineer at the exact cost of material and fixtures.

RULES FOR LENT.

The rules for the observance of Lent were read in the Roman Catholic church Sunday morning. Announcements were made of the special services to be held on Ash Wednesday and in the early part of Lent. The rules are as follows:

During Lent, by special induit of the Holy Father, the following regulations will be observed in the archdiocese:

Flesh meat may be used at all meals on Sunday and once each day at the principal meal on the following days: On all Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. On all Saturdays, except Saturday of ember week and holy Saturday. Flesh and fish are not allowed at the same meal.

Custom, tolerated by the church, permits coffee, tea or chocolate, with a small piece of bread, to be taken in the morning. Custom allows the use of eggs, butter, milk, etc., at the evening collation.

The following persons are not obliged to fast—viz: The sick and those in feeble health, women nursing children, all who are engaged in laborious and exhaustive occupations, the young who have not completed their 21st year, and those who have reached the 60th year of their age.

Those who are excused from fasting, on account of age or hard labor, may use flesh meat more than once on the days on which it is allowed. All who are exempt from the law of fasting should endeavor to perform during Lent some other acts of piety and charity.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

We wish to notify the citizens of this county that we have secured the agency for Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin the great cure for constipation, indigestion, sick headache and stomach trouble, and guarantee it to do as recommended. We always keep the best drugs on hand and solicit a call, promising the very best of everything.

Yours truly, BUSH & SIMONSON.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

Notice is hereby given that I will be at the office of James McClinton, in Hinsdale, Tuesdays and Wednesdays after February 1st, and at the postoffice in Downers Grove Fridays and Saturdays after February 1st, 1900, for the collection of taxes. All personal property taxes must be paid before March 1, 1900. H. GEO. FROUTY, Collector.

A. J. Lundberg desires to announce his removal from the bank building to Hughes' hardware store, where all orders may be left. Wiring done at the lowest possible price, and he guarantees them to be as low as prices made by the village electrician.