

# DOWNERS GROVE REPORTER.

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## NEW BOARD MEETS.

### PRESIDENT ROOT AND TRUSTEES SWORN IN MONDAY.

Outline Policy for New Administration—Appointment of Committees and Officers—Proceedings.

The fiscal year of the village closed Monday night, therefore the meeting of the board of trustees brought with it business of more than passing importance. The old board closed its administration and the new president and board of trustees assumed control.

President Gallup and all members of the out-going board were present when the meeting was called to order. The reports of village officers were read and approved. The treasurer's report showed a balance on hand at last report of \$4,291.93; receipts, \$324.76; expended, \$942.68; present balance, \$3,688.96.

Claim ordinance No. 91, providing for the payment of bills against the village was read and passed. An ordinance was introduced and passed amending the general ordinances of the village regarding sidewalk construction, and to provide for stone, concrete and vitrified brick sidewalks upon certain streets in Downers Grove and specifying the manner in which the same shall be constructed. The ordinance is for the purpose of doing away with plank walks on prominent thoroughfares and was passed by a unanimous vote. This closed the business of the old board and on motion of Trustee Hughes the members adjourned sine die.

Village clerk Bert C. White called the new board to order. President Root, Trustees Waples, Kuenzel, Pearsall and Woelfersheim responded to roll call. Trustee Bunge was absent on account of illness. The new officers were sworn in and the board proceeded to organize.

President Root presented the following list of committee appointments: Finance—Pearsall, Bunge, Waples; board of improvement—village president, Bunge, Waples; streets and alleys—Woelfersheim, Kuenzel, Pearsall; water and lights—Bunge, Woelfersheim, Waples; ordinance—Waples, Woelfersheim and Kuenzel; license—Kuenzel, Pearsall, Bunge. President Root stated he had thought best to fill the committees from the membership as the board now stands, and in case of the return of Trustee Bush or the election of a new member to fill vacancy, the members would probably be glad to relinquish places for proper division of the work with the new member. He also stated that it seemed suitable to add to the title of the water committee and call it the water and light committee inasmuch as the new plant covered both matters and that the committee should be equally comprehensive.

The appointment of village officers, subject to the approval of the board, was made as follows: Treasurer, J. W. Rogers; collector, V. Simonson; attorney, M. Slusser; pound master and street commissioner, W. H. Mertz; fire marshal, C. F. Davis; assistant, Louis Klein; superintendent of waterworks and power plant, J. D. Fowler; health commissioner, Geo. Hoffert; policeman, Val. Woelhutter, Jr. The president recommended a stated monthly salary be paid the street commissioner and health officer, instead of per diem and fees as in the past. Owing to the absence of a full board the confirmation of the appointments was deferred until the next regular meeting. In his remarks the president recommended the repairing and renovating of the village hall. President Root stated he would make his office at the village hall Monday evenings of each week to consult with any one wishing to see him.

D. J. Huff made application for tapping water service pipe on Washington street, near Maple avenue. He was referred to water committee.

Applications for license to deliver beer were read from Weatherbee & Kellogg, Albert Janowiak and Frank Zimmerman. The two former stipulating the license fee not to exceed \$300 per year. They later withdrew restrictions regarding fee and on recommendation of the license committee licenses were granted to Weatherbee & Kellogg and Albert Janowiak on filing bond and fee of \$500 for license. The committee made no report on the Zimmerman application.

On application druggists' permits were granted Bush & Simonson and W. S. Carpenter on filing proper bonds. The bonds of President Root and Clerk White were read and on motion approved and accepted.

On motion of Trustee Waples a rule was adopted prohibiting smoking in the council chamber during sessions of the board.

Business affairs of the village were discussed at length, among them applications, permits and fees for con-

necting commercial lights with village lighting plant, and the system by which the commercial feature of the electric plant should be conducted. These matters were referred to the water and lights committee. It was decided in view of the unsatisfactory means of handling the business, that when present contracts are completed the village take no new contracts for wiring buildings for electric lights. The village electrician was also instructed to dispose of the stock now on hand as soon as practicable.

After deciding for a special meeting to be called shortly to consider acceptance of new electric lighting plant the board adjourned.

### JUDGE YATES IS NOMINATED.

Judge Richard Yates was nominated for governor of Illinois at the republican state convention yesterday on the fourth ballot, the vote being Yates 978; Reeves 564. Other nominations on the ticket were:

For Governor..... Richard Yates  
For Lieut. Governor..... W. A. Northcott  
For Secretary of State..... James A. Rose  
For Auditor..... J. S. McCullough  
For Treasurer..... M. O. Williamson  
For Attorney General..... H. J. Hamilton  
Trustees State University—Mrs. Carrie T. Alexander, Samuel A. Ballard, Alexander McLean  
Electors at Large: J. H. Herbert, B. B. Pierce  
Delegates at Large: Jos. G. Cannon, John J. Brown, H. D. Judson, John M. Smyth.

### EPWORTH LEAGUE ANNIVERSARY

The eleventh anniversary of the Epworth League will be fittingly celebrated next Sunday, May 13th, at the M. E. church. The president, Mr. C. S. Hughes, has arranged a splendid program for the occasion, consisting of a special Epworth League address in the morning at 10:30, with special music under the direction of Miss Mabel Messner. The regular league meeting at 6:30 p. m. will be followed by a platform meeting conducted by the president and Messrs. L. E. Meacham and Clarence Hale of Chicago. These young men have had wide experience in the work of the young people's societies and their talk will be of great benefit to our young people in their work here. A cordial invitation extended to everybody to attend both morning and evening.

### WITH THE MERCHANTS.

Summer underwear at Nash's. A splendid article for 50 cents.

New Idea May fashion sheets now ready. Call and get one at Haller's.

Order your summer suit of B. Roth, and be well dressed. Prices are right.

To obtain good bread buy Seal of Minnesota Flour. For sale at Haller's.

For sale—One six room house, nearly new; 100 feet of ground. Price, \$1,000. G. H. Bunge.

Cleaning, repairing and dyeing at B. Roth's tailor shop. Your old clothes made good as new.

For a delicious breakfast drink try Gona Java and Mocha coffee; only 20c per pound at Haller's.

Helps for garden making—useful things for seed time—spades, hoes, rakes etc. at Mertz & Mochel's.

The latest conceptions in spring headwear are displayed for your consideration at Selig's millinery store. Low prices prevail.

Orders for Pennsylvania and Standard oils and gasoline may be left at Bush & Simonson's drug store. Muzzey will promptly fill your cans.

B. Roth is turning out a great number of nice suits of clothes; they bear the stamp of good work and have that stylish appearance which is so desirable.

Golden weddings are taking place all over the country. The old couples evidently took Rocky Mountain Tea in their young days. 35 cents. At drug-gists.

Save fuel, save work, save dirt by using Quick Meal gasoline stoves or Standard blue flame oil stoves. Mertz & Mochel are making attractive prices on summer stoves.

A cordial invitation is extended to the ladies of the village to call and examine our oil and gasoline stoves; our prices range from \$3.00 to \$30.00. We can please you. C. S. Hughes.

A Cure for Rheumatism—The Great Blood Purifier, Kidney and Liver Regulator; 200 days treatment, one dollar. Call or address A. L. Palmer, agent, 78 Fairmount ave., Downers Grove, Ill.

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.

I have the Griffith place for rent, adjoining the village on the south; seven-room cottage, one and three-fourths acres of good land, 200 grapevines in bearing order, pear, apple, cherry and peach trees, also raspberry, gooseberry, currants, strawberries, asparagus and rhubarb. Will make necessary repairs and rent reasonable to a good tenant. D. G. Graham.

## Local and Personal Paragraphs.

Cream flour at Haller's. White Rose gasoline, Nash's. Burn Muzzey's Pennsylvania oil. Additional local news on fifth page. C. S. Hughes is selling bicycles and at prices that please.

The best and largest assortment of home baked goods at Rang's.

W. H. Edwards was transacting business in Hinsdale last Thursday.

A new line of neckwear, the latest styles and color effects, at Nash's.

S. F. Haller calls attention to a number of reasonable articles in his new ad this week.

A full assortment of baseball goods at C. S. Hughes. Call and look the stock over.

A May dancing party will be given at Gower hall at Lace, Saturday evening, May 19th.

The heavy rains of the first of the week badly needed and gave vegetation a fresh impetus.

Mertz & Mochel have a new ad which is of interest to intending purchasers of summer goods.

Guy L. Bush and C. V. Carpenter left for the state convention at Peoria Sunday. They are expected home today.

Angel's Dainty Dyes won't stain the hands. Each package dyes silk, cotton and wool. For sale by W. S. Carpenter, Central Block drug store.

Lightning burned out a fuse block in the large transformer at the corner of the bank building Monday evening, making a brilliant display for a few minutes.

Rev. E. S. Stucker and family, of La-Grange, are the guests of Rev. and Mrs. C. J. Pope. Rev. Stucker has recently returned from a trip to Palestine and the Holy Land.

For the best and cheapest wall paper call on W. H. Barnhart. Also a full line of paints, oils, varnishes, stains and enamels always on hand. Also real estate renting and insurance done.

Mrs. Emma J. Miller returned Tuesday from her several months visit in Savannah, Ga. She left again yesterday for Mt. Carroll to attend her father who is quite ill, and will return home Friday or Saturday.

Will Richards, a conductor on the Burlington, and a former resident here, died yesterday in a Chicago hospital from the effects of an operation. He was well known in Downers Grove.

Mr. David P. Hodgett left yesterday for California. He will join his family at San Leandro, and will take a position with the American Steel and Wire company in San Francisco. Dave's Downers Grove friends wish him all success in his new home.

Cases considered at the last session of the county court of interest to Downers Grove residents are as follows: Wm. F. Griffith estate, report of sale approved.—Franklin M. Roe, letters to Chas. K. Roe; W. J. Herring, D. G. Graham and G. P. Luce, appraisers; June term for claims.

Charley Owens, at Nash's store, has an old copper coin of the date of 1360. The piece of money was found by Geo. Caskey while raking his yard last week. It is supposed to be Spanish, and its history, from its coinage to its final destination in Downers Grove, would probably prove interesting reading.

The Warrenville itemizer of the Turner Democrat says: A petition is now being circulated for free rural delivery in this vicinity. It will cover a route twenty miles in extent, giving mail service to 120 stopping places. It will probably do away with the Warrenville and Warrenhurst postoffices if established.

A subscriber asks the REPORTER if it is still customary to pay a marriage fee, or whether the law has been repealed. The REPORTER believes it is customary to tender the officiating clergyman a fee for performing the marriage ceremony, the amount of which must be determined by the value placed on the bride by the groom, together with the financial circumstances of the latter. The statutes make a fee of \$2 obligatory, but clergymen are never averse to receiving more.

Many months ago Dr. J. E. Cross traveled through Naverville township prescribing for ailments which man is heir to and taking the notes of farmers in payment thereof. It is alleged he changed the figures on the notes, raising the amount, and after getting them cashed quietly disappeared. Sheriff Gorham got trace of Cross in Nebraska, and after locating him got the sheriff there to place him under arrest. Mr. Gorham started Saturday evening to bring the prisoner back to DuPage county.—Illinoisan.

### Oil. 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.

Misses and children's hats at Selig's millinery store.

Silver polish and window cleaner, 20 cents a box, at Haller's.

Samuel Curtiss of Diamond was here yesterday visiting relatives.

Drink Gona, Mocha and Java coffee. For sale at Haller's. 20 cents per pound.

Charming and dainty effects in spring and summer millinery at Selig's millinery store.

For Rent—Six room house for \$7.00 per month, on South Main street. Inquire of Geo. Hoffert.

D. K. Craig of Chicago was here yesterday shaking hands with old friends. He has recently recovered from a five weeks' siege of illness.

The Woman's Guild of St. Andrew's mission wish to thank Mrs. Stone, Mr. Davis, and all who kindly helped to make their bazaar a success.

C. S. Hughes & Co. have a new ad in this issue devoted to the Sherwin-Williams paints, in which the merits of those goods are fittingly exploited.

Mr. James A. Collins and wife, of Englewood, visited their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Puffer, last week. Mrs. Collins is a daughter of Henry Paul, of Englewood.

T. M. Wylie, a former well-known resident of Downers Grove, died at Tampico, Ill., Saturday of droupy. Mr. Wylie had been ailing but a short time and his death came very unexpectedly.

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Rosetta Harden, of Downers Grove, formerly of this city, to Edward Franklin Stark, next Tuesday afternoon, at the M. E. church—Clarion.

Time for planting grass seed—best lawn seed per pound 15 cents; 15 cents in 5 pound lots; best white clover 15 cents; blue grass lawn seed 12 cents per pound.—Don't waste labor on poor seed buy of Mertz & Mochel and get the best.

Fire destroyed the barns of William Kearnes, south of Warrenville, last Saturday night. It was supposed to be of incendiary origin, and the Naperville Mutual Insurance company offers a reward of \$1,000 for the conviction of the firebug.

The DuPage county central committee met in Chicago Saturday and organized by electing E. H. McChesney of Wheaton chairman, and H. H. Goodrich of Naperville secretary. W. B. Carleton of Hinsdale was a candidate for chairman, but was defeated.

Real estate transfers reported this week are John Allis, Jr., to Wm. Griffith, lot 1, block 3, Linden Heights, first addition to Downers Grove, \$250.—Leona McVean to Frank I. Mason, lot 14 and south 10 feet, lot 15, block 3, Straube's addition to Downers Grove, \$1,750.

It will be difficult for owners of mortgages and trust deeds to dodge the assessors on their chattels. The county officers of various counties are making lists of all instruments of that nature filed, and sending them to the county where the owner resides. If it was reported to the township assessor, well and good, but if not, you will be called on to explain.

The citizens of Wheaton have presented the Wheaton College band with a full set of instruments valued at nearly \$300. The instruments have been purchased from Lyon & Healy and will arrive at the college this week. A gentleman who has long been one of the honored trustees and benefactors of the college recently paid to the treasurer four thousand dollars toward the endowment fund. This is the second payment to that fund this year, five hundred dollars having been previously paid by a valued friend of the college in a sister state.

Work on the foundation of St. Procopius' Bohemian college was begun last Wednesday at Lisle in the presence of a group of Bohemian clergy and laymen of Chicago. The Rt. Rev. Abott Nepomuk Jaeger, head of the Bohemian Order of Benedictine Fathers in America, dug up the first shovelful of soil, and the second was taken up by the Rev. Prokop Neuzil, prior of the order. The builder, F. C. Lauer, then pushed the spade into the earth, and the workmen, amid the cheering of those present, began their labors. The building to be erected now will be 126 by 31 feet, three stories high. It will be built of stone and brick, and fitted with all the modern improvements. The cost of the building, completed according to the full plans, will be \$80,000.—Clarion.

## HOPKINS AND ROGERS CHOSEN.

Congressional Convention at Aurora Nominates Them Unanimously.

Congressman Albert J. Hopkins of Aurora and Capt. Theodore S. Rogers of Downers Grove were both unanimously renominated as member of congress and member of the state board of equalization, respectively, at Aurora, Thursday.

Chairman Rockwell of the congressional committee called the convention to order and Judge Geo. W. Brown of DuPage county was made chairman. F. E. Holmes of McHenry county was made secretary.

On motion of M. F. Walsh of Harvard a committee consisting of Dan D. Hunt, DeKalb, Merry of McHenry, M. L. Raffree of Hinsdale, W. L. Sockett of Morris, Grote of Elgin, and F. H. Lord of Kendall, were appointed to present nominations for congressman, board of equalization, delegates and alternates to national convention, and presidential elector. The same committee was appointed to draft resolutions and the convention adjourned to 1:30 o'clock.

On reconvening the committee reported a resolution nominating Albert J. Hopkins of Aurora for congressman, Capt. T. S. Rogers of Downers Grove for state board of equalization, Col. I. L. Elwood and John Stewart as delegates, and John R. Marshall and W. W. Sherwin as alternates to national convention, and Jas. H. Patterson of Grundy as presidential elector. The resolutions also endorsed H. D. Judson of Aurora for delegate at large to national convention, and were unanimously adopted.

Congressman Hopkins responded to calls for a speech on the national issues giving an interesting talk on the administration's policy regarding the Philippines and Porto Rico, as well as a lucid explanation of the Porto Rican tariff bill. His remarks were punctuated with applause and won him many friends.

Resolutions were introduced congratulating the republicans of Illinois on the prosperity of the people, reaffirming the doctrine of the republican party, endorsing the administration of President McKinley, especially as to the Porto Rican tariff bill, commending Congressman Hopkins and endorsing the business administration of Governor Tanner. A. H. Lowrie moved to amend by striking out the endorsement of the state administration, in doing which he took occasion to make serious personal charges against Governor Tanner. M. L. Raffree of DuPage ably defended the resolutions and received many flattering compliments for his conservative and pertinent remarks on the subject. The resolutions were adopted by a vote 88 to 21.

A congressional committee consisting of M. F. Walsh of McHenry, H. T. Rockwell of Kane, J. H. Ashley of DuPage, D. S. Small of Grundy, Chas. A. Bishop of DeKalb, F. H. Lord of Kendall was appointed, after which the convention adjourned.

## SCHOOL REPORT.

Following is the report of the various rooms in the Downers Grove schools for the month of April:

TEACHERS	PRESENT	ABSENT	TOTAL	PERCENT	PERCENT
Mabel Messner	20	32	52	38	72
Elic Patterson	14	31	45	31	69
Maudie Nicholson	21	24	45	47	97
Agatha Sweet	27	24	51	53	97
Cassia B Graves	25	19	44	41	93
Ada Sparks	27	18	45	36	80
Florence Webb	25	21	46	41	91
Sarah A Holland	21	23	44	40	90
Jennie E Gurnea	28	13	41	29	71
Lula Rasmussen	20	21	41	30	73
Anna Paston	18	25	43	29	67
Sadie Thompson	19	20	39	32	82
Totals	265	257	522	469	90
Total enrollment to date 617. A average number of pupils per teacher, 51. Visitors 62.					

## RECONSIDERED.

A Topeka man lost a small opal set out of his ring and went to the jeweler to have it replaced. Returning home he found the lost set and, putting it in his mouth for safe keeping, hurried back to the jeweler's to have that set used instead of the new opal. Rushing into the store he said: "Say, I've found the old set, so don't use that new one." He attempted to remove the stone from his mouth, gave a gulp, looked sheepish, and said: "I guess you'll have to use the new stone." That man needed a bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. Sold by Bush & Simonson.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE.

On account of an insufficient number of stockholders of the Downers Grove Loan & Homestead association being present for the transaction of business at the regular annual meeting on April 10th, the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday evening, May 15th, 1900, at 8 o'clock, in the directors' room of the bank building. All stockholders should attend this meeting.

GUY L. BUSH, Secretary.  
JOHN HOLLAND, President.

## BUSH AND EVANS

NOMINATED BY ACCLAMATION AT SENATORIAL CONVENTION.

Chas. H. Backus of Hampshire chosen for Lower House Over John Williams of Elgin by a Vote of 131 to 58.

For the sixth consecutive time Senator Henry H. Evans of Aurora was nominated by acclamation at Aurora, Friday, to represent the 14th senatorial district in the general assembly. Hon. Guy L. Bush of Downers Grove was renominated for the lower house by acclamation, and Chas. H. Backus of Hampshire was chosen as his colleague over John Williams by a majority of 131 to 58. John T. Phelps of Seneca called the convention to order at 11 o'clock. Capt. T. S. Rogers of Downers Grove was made chairman and A. L. Hall of St. Charles secretary. A committee consisting of Walter S. Franler of Aurora, Judge E. C. Lovell of Elgin and Chas. S. Williston of Elmhurst, was appointed to draft resolutions.

A motion to adjourn to 1:30 p. m. was voted down and the convention proceeded to nominate candidates. T. E. Ryan presented the name of Senator H. H. Evans and his nomination was made by acclamation. Hon. Guy L. Bush of Downers Grove was placed in nomination as candidate for representative by L. C. Ruth of Hinsdale and his nomination was declared by acclamation. John Phelps of Geneva placed in nomination for Kane's member of the lower house, Hon. G. H. Backus of Hampshire. A. H. Lowrie of Elgin nominated John Williams of Elgin. After several motions to adjourn had been voted down it was decided to have a roll call on the above nominations. Mr. Backus was nominated on the first ballot, the vote being 111 for Backus to 58 for Williams. On motion the nomination of Mr. Backus was made unanimous.

The nominees were called on for speeches and all responded, thanking the convention. John Williams also made a speech pledging his support to the ticket nominated.

A senatorial committee was chosen as follows: L. A. Constantine, Aurora; John Phelps, Geneva; J. M. Manly, Elgin; Wm. Hammerschmidt, Lombard; and Jas. McClintock, Hinsdale.

The committee on resolutions reported endorsing President McKinley, the state administration, Senator Evans and Representative Bush, and the republican policies generally. They closed with expressions of admiration for the late John F. Dewey and sorrow for his untimely death.

Dr. Lowrie, who fought the Tanner resolution in the congressional convention, made a fight against the endorsement of the governor but the resolutions as reported were adopted. The convention then adjourned and was marched to the People's church for a splendid dinner, on invitation of Senator Evans.

## MRS. CATHARINE B. AUSTIN.

Mrs. Catharine Blackman Austin died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. D. N. Havens on Belden place, Monday night, April 30th, 1900. Her death was due to the infirmities of old age and was not wholly unexpected, having been in ill health for a considerable time. Monday the thread of life, weighted with the burden of over ninety years, snapped and she passed into the great beyond. Funeral services were held at the home Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. E. H. Libby of the Congregational church, and burial made at Oak, where the family lived before moving to Downers. Catharine Blackman was born in Columbia county, New York, August 28, 1809. She was married to Charles U. Austin in 1828 and came to Illinois in 1849. They had five children, Asa B. Austin, Dedinia M. Havens of Downers Grove, Charles G. Austin, Simi, Cal., Edwin and Esther. With her death one of the most beloved and revered of lives passed out of existence. She was a faithful christian, and was for many years a member of the Universalist church. Her name was a synonym for charity and patience in the community, and it can be truly said that the world is better for her example.

## HAVING A GREAT RUN.

Manager Martin of the Plenum drug store informs us that he is having a great run on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He sells five bottles of that medicine to one of any other kind, and it gives great satisfaction. In these days of lagripps there is nothing like Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to stop the cough, heat up the sore throat and lungs and give relief within a very short time. The sales are growing, and all who try it are pleased with the prompt action.—South Chicago Calumet. For sale by Bush & Simonson.