

DOWNERS GROVE REPORTER.

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

HOLD UP CONFIRMATION OF POLICEMAN AND SUPT. FOWLER.

Pay Bills Amounting to \$933—Call Special Election to Fill Vacancy—Confirm President's Other Appointees.

The board of trustees refused to confirm the appointments of J. D. Fowler as superintendent of water and electric light plant and Valentine Wohlhutter as policeman at the meeting of the village board Monday night. President Root and all members were present except Clerk White. Trustee Kuenzel was made clerk pro tem.

The report of village collector, showing receipts of \$2,026.68 on account of licenses and water tax, and the report of village treasurer were read and approved. The treasurer's report showed a balance on hand at last report of \$3,688.56; receipts, \$3,026.68; expended, \$1,028.36; present balance, \$4,686.88. The reports were accepted.

Petitions for plumbers' licenses from M. K. Brunson and H. F. Hawkins, were granted and the bonds of same accepted, together with the druggists' bonds of Bush & Simonson and W. S. Carpenter.

Protests against sewerage running over their property were read from John H. Sass and Mrs. E. Meehan and referred to street and alley committee.

The constable was authorized to collect delinquent dog tax by distress, his fee for such service to be 25 per cent. of amount collected.

A petition from the Wednesday club asking the village board to paint the electric light poles green instead of gray and black was referred to the water and light committee.

An application of M. Slusser to tap water pipes on Main street to carry water to his property on Highland avenue was referred to water and light committee with power to act.

Claim ordinance No. 92, providing for the payment of bills aggregating \$933.17, was read and passed.

An ordinance providing for calling special elections to fill vacancies in the board of trustees or other elective officers of the village was read and passed.

A resolution was introduced and passed regarding vacancy in the board caused by the resignation of M. K. Bush and calling a special election for Saturday, June 30th, to elect a trustee to fill said vacancy, the election to be held at same time and in same manner as regular elections. J. W. Tucker, W. R. Colwell and George Hoffert were appointed as judges of election, and J. R. Moss, A. L. Palmer and Harry L. Blodgett as clerks.

The confirmation of village officers appointed by the president were taken up and considered separately on motion of Trustees Bunge and Pearsall. The appointments of Treasurer J. W. Rogers, Collector V. Simonson, Attorney M. Slusser, Fire Marshal C. F. Davis, Assistant Fire Marshal I. Klein, were on motion confirmed. Action was deferred until next regular meeting on the confirmation of poundmaster, street commissioner and health officer, with the recommendation that these offices be consolidated and the appointee to be paid a stated salary instead of fees and per diem.

Upon motion of Trustees Pearsall and Bunge the appointment of J. D. Fowler as superintendent of the water works and electric light system, and the appointment of Valentine Wohlhutter as policeman, were not confirmed. President Root stated that the present officers would hold over pending the appointment of the other officers. Members of the board expressed themselves as being opposed to Mr. Fowler, owing to his method of conducting matters at the power house without consulting the board or committee in charge, and also as to his incurring expense in connection therewith without authority.

Forms of application for connection with electric light system and blanks for rendering bills for consumers were submitted, and the water and light committee was authorized to have same printed.

The village collector was authorized to procure a suitable book for the keeping of water consumers' accounts.

The water and light committee was instructed to purchase necessary coal and secure bids for yearly fuel supply.

Matter of trimming trees was left with street and alley committee to instruct street commissioner in regard to same.

The question of repairs on bridge on Curtiss street, near the intersection of Foote street, was referred to street and alley committee with power to act.

The water committee was instructed to secure fireman for power plant, and to retain the services of F. L. Stolt for another month, at \$60, to solicit consumers and do wiring for the electric light system.

On motion the board adjourned.

FRANK I. MASON A BENEDICT.

Married Tuesday Noon to Miss Mabel Clark at Quincy.

Mr. Frank I. Mason, son of Isaac F. Mason, of Downers Grove, and Miss Mabel Clark, of Quincy, were married Tuesday, June 5th. The ceremony was performed at high noon at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Clark, 777 Broadway, Quincy, in the presence of a number of relatives and invited guests.

The Rev. J. B. Wolf of the Vermont Street Methodist church performed the ceremony. The decorations were in pink and white with green background. Suspended from the ceiling was a floral bell and under it stood the couple during the ceremony. Breakfast was served immediately after the wedding service. In the dining room also the decorations were pink and white. The bride was dressed in a gown the overdress of which was of lace and ribbon, with waist of same and ruffled organ-die and satin ribbon. She wore a bridal veil and carried a bouquet of bride's roses.

The young people left Tuesday on a short wedding trip to St. Louis and St. Paul, and will spend a few days at Cassville, Wis., before coming to Downers Grove, where they will make their home at 82 Benton avenue. The house is present to the young people from the groom's father, Isaac F. Mason, and has been completely furnished and placed in readiness for their coming here.

The guests present at the wedding from Downers Grove were Isaac Mason and Mrs. G. H. Bunge, F. H. White and Mrs. M. H. White, of Chicago, were with the wedding party which went down Monday.

The bride is an accomplished young lady of charming personality and prominent among the young society people of Quincy, where she has a large circle of friends. The groom has been a resident of Downers Grove for many years and where he grew to manhood. He has a responsible position with the Burlington road, and has shown himself to be a young man of good ability and very popular among his acquaintances. They will return to Downers Grove from their wedding trip about June 15th.

Many handsome and valuable presents were received. The groom's present to the bride was a sunburst of pearls with diamond center. The bride gave a pair of diamond cuff buttons and diamond scarf pin. The groom's sister, Clara Woshrel, now deceased, gave a handsome silver tea set; Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Bunge, cut-class berry dish with silver mountings; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McVean, fancy rocker; E. Woshrel, mahogany bed-room set; the bride's parents, set of china dishes and walnut bed-room suit, and many other gifts.

CENSUS TAKER NOW BUSY.

Alonzo E. Courtright began his task of taking the census Friday, and they do say that Lon is the greatest census-taker that ever occurred. Everything in the way of population and the listing of the sexes began from June 1st. For instance, the enumerator may arrive at your house on June 5th or 7th and find that you were married on June 3d. Down you go on his list as a bachelor; your wife set down as a spinster living at the residence of her parents. The census won't recognize your marriage at all because it took place after June 1st. Similarly you may be dead since the first day of the month, but if the enumerator finds out that you were alive on that day you are a part of the population of Downers Grove and will eke out a fictitious existence in the sum total. Should a baby be born in your household after June 1st, the child is non-existent so far as the census goes. Nothing, absolutely nothing, can happen to you between the 1st of June and the date of the enumerator's arrival. The law says so, and the law goes.

NOTICE.

Have you an ash pile, unsightly rubbish or garbage about your place which you wish removed? If so, leave your name and address at the postoffice and it will be called for. A garbage route will be established this summer at the weekly cost of 10 cents a family if sufficient encouragement is given. By order of the village improvement committee of the Wednesday club.

AGENTS WANTED.

We want an active agent in Downers Grove and vicinity to represent the largest Evergreen Nurseries in the United States. A full line of hardy fruits, shade and ornamental trees, shrubs, etc. Three plans, pay-weekly. Address at once, The Elgin Nurseries, Elgin, Ill.

Wanted—Employment by the day as nurse or other work. Christine Noling, East Grove hill, opposite Mrs. Logan's.

Local and Personal Paragraphs.

Cream flour at Haller's. Boys' blouses at Haller's. White Rose gasoline, Nash's. Burn Muzzeys' Pennsylvania oil. Additional local news on fifth page.

A. E. Williams was a Piano visitor Saturday.

John Fitzpatrick, of Chicago, spent Sunday in Downers.

If you want to laugh see "The Splinters" next Thursday.

F. E. Miller spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. R. S. Soul, at Berwin.

Only 15 cents to see the spinsters' convention at the Auditorium tonight.

Finest uncolored Japan tea, 35 cents per pound, three pounds for \$1, at Haller's.

Miss Minnie Escher and Frank Sprague of Naperville were guests at J. B. Miller's Sunday.

Girl Wanted—For general housework; wages, \$4 per week. Address Z. Hurd, Downers Grove.

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

Max Wachtel, of Western Springs, assisted the REFORMER force last week during a rush of work.

Mrs. Guy Wheeler, of Millard avenue, spent the past week visiting relatives and friends in Downers Grove.

J. D. Bryce has beautified the appearance of his already tasty residence by the addition of a wide veranda.

J. I. Wier is storing his household effects pending the construction of a residence for himself on Warren avenue.

The Downers Grove baseball club will meet for practice Saturday afternoon, when every member is expected to be present.

The young daughter of R. J. Dickson, who has been ill with scarlet fever, has recovered, and quarantine will be removed today.

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

For Sale—Double seated carriage, mail phaeton and surrey for sale on reasonable terms. Inquire of Mrs. Percie A. Lyman, Maple avenue.

Angal'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.

Puritan oil stoves have stood the test; over 40 stoves sold in this community. They are no experiments. Call and let C. S. Hughes explain them to you.

Isaac Mason left Monday for Quincy to attend the marriage of his son, Frank I. Mason. He will go from there to Mount Ayr, Iowa, for a business trip.

D. G. Graham has legal blanks and all facilities for execution of wills and has had years of successful experience in that line. Give him a call. Charges reasonable.

Do you need new gutters or repairing? Now is a good time to have them looked after. Leave your orders and we can attend to same promptly. Mertz & Mochel.

A. J. Cooper and family desire to return their heartfelt thanks to the many loyal friends who so kindly and generously assisted in lightening their burden during the time of sorrow and trouble in their recent bereavement.

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 Rathbone sisters have arranged to give a stereopticon entertainment at Carpenter's hall next Tuesday evening, June 12th, at 8 o'clock. An interesting program has been prepared, and the ladies deserve a good attendance.

The present season has been an excellent one for painters and paperhangers in Downers Grove, and common labor has been plentiful at good wages. Dave Colville says that since the middle of February he has papered seventy-five rooms, using nearly thirteen hundred rolls of paper, and also painted several houses. He expects the season to run several weeks longer.

A town caucus of the democratic voters of Downers Grove is hereby called to meet in the village of Downers Grove on Saturday, June 9th, at 4 o'clock, at the office of W. H. Barnhart, for the purpose of electing thirteen delegates to the county convention and thirteen alternates; also to elect five delegates to the senatorial convention and five alternates, and the transaction of any other business that may come before the meeting. W. H. Barnhart, F. E. Roth, central committee.

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.

Mrs. D. G. Graham is visiting in Plano this week.

Croquet set and hammocks at Mertz & Mochel's.

Tennis slippers for youths, boys and men at Haller's.

F. A. Sloat spent Sunday with his family in Chicago.

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

R. H. Footberg was here from La-Grange yesterday on business.

To laugh till you cry, go and see the spinsters. Auditorium tonight.

Miss McDowell, of Ewago, N. Y. is visiting her cousin, Mrs. G. H. Pearsall.

For Sale—Porcelain bath tub, heater and tank. Address P. O. box 283, Downers Grove.

Services at the Congregational church Sabbath morning. Subject, "The Inspiration of Sacrifice."

Wanted—Two second-hand dressers or commodes; must be cheap. Address box 498, Downers Grove.

Nellie, the five year-old daughter of Mrs. McPaul, No. 153 Belmont avenue, is down with scarlet fever.

Mr. A. Lister left last Saturday for Lake Koshkonong, Wis., to spend a few weeks in fishing and hunting.

Send in your news items. Stop us on the street and tell us the personal items you know that are of interest.

Mrs. Maggie Helm and children, of Lincoln, Neb., have been the guests of Mrs. I. B. Marshall the past week.

Mrs. John Brown and children will visit relatives in the country while Mrs. McPaul's little girl has scarlet fever.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hadley, of South Chicago, were the guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hadley, over Sunday.

For Sale or Rent—Eight-room house and five lots at East Grove hill, in Paradise addition. Inquire of C. Noling, East Grove.

If in need of ice chests or refrigerators do not fail to give us a call. We are now selling same out at cost. Mertz & Mochel.

A nice variety of bedding plants, including geraniums, heliotrope, ageratum, coleus, etc., at wholesale prices, at C. S. Hughes' greenhouse.

A dance and raffle will be given at the home of George Mochel, south of town, Saturday evening, June 16th. A high-grade wheel will be disposed of.

P. C. Gallup and Glen W. Edwards spent Saturday and Sunday at South Haven Mich. Seasickness was the principal feature of the voyage across the lake.

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 ball and raffle for the benefit of St. Mary's church, Gostyn, will be given at Wendowski's hall on Tuesday evening, July 3d. A Chicago orchestra will furnish music for dancing. Tickets are 25 cents.

Why go elsewhere to buy binder twine when you can get good, guaranteed standard or sisal twine at 11c per pound, Deering standard or sisal at 11c per pound and Deering standard manila at 13c at Mertz & Mochel's?

Next Friday evening, June 8th, Right Rev. C. P. Anderson, coadjutor bishop of this diocese, will make his first visitation at St. Andrew's church, at which time the rector, E. L. M. Thompson, will present to him a class of six persons for confirmation. All who wish to meet the new bishop will be given an opportunity to do so at that time. All are invited.

This is too much. The Geneva Republican says: "The village of Downers Grove has granted two licenses to sell beer in five-gallon lots at \$600 each. Just think how uncomfortable a man must feel to know that when he wants a drink he has got to get away with five gallons." You've got your figures slightly mixed, Brother Mead. One gallon is all any purchaser is required to get away with.

Wm. R. Walton, of Pasadena, Cal., formerly of Cass, this township, has just purchased a quarter section of land near Bass Lake, Ind. The sale was negotiated by C. K. Roe, who owns the adjoining farm. Thomas Hartes, also a former Cass resident, has purchased a tract of 240 acres in the same vicinity. Mr. Roe has several tracts of desirable improved and unimproved farms in that fertile part of Indiana for sale, and this a good opportunity to get a productive farm cheap.

WILL GRADUATE NEXT FRIDAY.

Preparations Complete for Commencement Exercises of Senior Class.

The senior class of the Downers Grove high schools is on the tiptoe of expectancy, for next Friday will witness the completion of their high-school labors and usher them into the reality of life. The annual commencement exercises will be held in the Methodist church on the evening of June 15th, and a class of nine will graduate. They are Hibbard Spencer Greens, Thomas Harry Slusser, Florence Adelaide Spohr, Franklin Sillis Spohr, Caroline Helen Martin, Nellie Hobart Carpenter, David Lewis Holland, Frank Baker and Lillian Abby Bennett.

The following is the program of the commencement exercises:

Music.....Orchestra
Invocation.....C. J. Pope
Song.....High School Chorus
"Life's Epochs".....David Lewis Holland
"Bella".....Nellie Hobart Carpenter
Vocal solo—"The Nightingale and the Rose".....C. B. Hawley
"The Builders".....Hibbard Spencer Greens
"Life's Duty".....Frank Baker
Music.....Orchestra
"The Call for Volunteers".....Thomas H. Slusser
"Footprints".....Florence Adelaide Spohr
Vocal solo—"Mignon".....Gay D. Hardestol
Lillian Abby Bennett.

"Vision and Deeds".....Franklin Sillis Spohr
Music.....Orchestra
Presentation of diplomas.....Orchestra
Song.....High School Chorus
Benediction.....Rev. E. H. Libby

A new feature to be inaugurated here this year is the observance of a field day. The field-day sports and games will be held Saturday afternoon, June 9th, and various athletic exercises will be indulged in, including games of all kinds, races and feats of skill and endurance. The place for holding the sports will be Downers' field, and the sports will begin promptly at 1 o'clock. The program of sports has been arranged as follows:

Tennis, doubles.....
Tennis, singles.....
Shot put.....
Hammer throw.....
Baseball.....
Hundred-yard dash.....
Girls' hurdle race.....
Boys' hurdle race.....
Girls' slow bicycle race.....
Half-mile run.....
Half-mile bicycle race.....
Two-mile bicycle race.....

Next Sunday evening the annual baccalaureate sermon will be delivered at the Methodist church to the class by J. I. Van Meter, one of the editors of the Chicago Record. A union service will be held and all the churches will participate, together with their pastors. Music will be furnished for the commencement exercises by an Aurora orchestra.

Fourth of July Picnic.

Preliminary arrangements for the basket picnic to be held in Naperville park have been going on by the executive committee of the DuPage County Sunday School association and officers of the Naperville local Sunday-school workers' union for some time. At their last meeting it was decided to divide the events of the day into three divisions. First will be the literary part of the program, lasting about one hour, followed with a dinner, after which will come the social and athletic sports. Further details of each will be published as soon as fully arranged for. Every Sunday school in the county, it is hoped, will make an effort to be represented, for the committee is doing its utmost to give all who attend a pleasant and profitable time. The park is a most beautiful one, with a large amphitheatre, lunch hall, etc.

SCHOOL REPORT.

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

TEACHERS	PRESENT	ABSENT	TOTAL	PER CENT.	PER CENT.
Mabel Messner.....	19	50	69	1	8
Elsie Patterson.....	14	17	31	45	1
Maudie Nicholson.....	20	23	43	40	1
Agatha Sweet.....	20	23	43	40	1
Cassia Graves.....	26	19	45	43	95
Ada M. Sparte.....	26	18	44	42	94
Florence Webb.....	23	24	47	42	93
Sarah A. Holland.....	21	23	44	40	93
Jessie E. Garces.....	28	13	41	41	99
Lula Rasmussen.....	20	21	41	40	95
Anna Patton.....	18	23	41	39	96
Sadie Thompson.....	19	20	39	36	94
Totals.....	262	252	514	486	96
Total enrollment to date 617. Average number of pupils per teacher, 51.					

NOTICE FOR BIDS.

Sealed bids will be received by the street and alley committee of the board of trustees of the village of Downers Grove for furnishing material and construction of a stone arch bridge on West Curtiss street according to plans and specifications which may be seen at the office of the undersigned. All bids must be in by Monday, June 11th.

H. H. WOELFERSHEIM, Chairman.

WANT ALL THE NEWS.

The REPORTER desires to print all personal notes of interest. If you are entertaining or visiting friends, let us know. We would appreciate the favor if our readers would drop us a note or leave the item in the REPORTER box at the entrance to the office.

Ice box for sale. Inquire of Mrs. Buck, 12 East Curtiss street.

MEETING OF EDITORS

ANNUAL GATHERING HELD AT AURORA LAST THURSDAY.

Republican Newspaper Men of Eighth Illinois Congressional District Open Campaign—Yates Granted.

Republican editors of the Eighth Illinois Congressional district met at Aurora in annual session Thursday and formally opened the campaign. Over fifty country editors were in attendance, and all of them pledged their hearty support to Richard Yates. The nominee was present and addressed the convention during the afternoon session. He was well received, and at the conclusion of his speech the applause arose and voted him approval.

When Judge Yates said that he was not the candidate of any set or faction and that he had made no promises, the pent-up enthusiasm broke forth, and for several minutes the crowd showed the sentiments expressed. That the nominee made a good impression was evinced by the large number of visitors and citizens who insisted on shaking his hand at the conclusion of his address.

Senator H. H. Evans was the master of ceremonies, and if any of the visiting editors were neglected it was not his fault. He directed affairs and regally entertained the editors at River-view park, which he has established on the banks of Fox river. His electric railway, running between the park and the city, was at the disposal of the visitors, and special cars were on hand at five-minute intervals.

At the depot Judge Yates was met by the editors and escorted to the People's church, where dinner was served by members of the women's alliance of the church. After dinner the visitors repaired to River-view park, where the exercises were held.

Congressman A. J. Hopkins welcomed the editors on behalf of the citizens of Aurora. He said that the eighth congressional district would give Mr. Yates at least a majority of 11,000.

"All that the republican party has accomplished," said he, "is due to the efforts of the editors. They have been true to republican principles, and have helped to make the greatest republic in the world. When the history of 18 to 1 was advocated in 1898 the republican press of eighth district stood boldly for sound money. I say that in the quiet man at his desk who has fought out successfully all these great issues, and that is why we desire to welcome the editors who are with us today."

A. H. Lowrie, of Elgin, introduced Judge Yates, as the silver-tongued orator. In his opening remarks Mr. Yates said that he did not come to make a speech, but to get acquainted.

"This is a republican love feast," said he. "It is significant that we should be assembled here today. Six months ago today we met in Springfield, and it was with much anxiety that we looked forward to the developments which were to follow. Now we are looking forward to another love feast in November next. I feel satisfied that it will be an enjoyable affair. But we must not deceive ourselves and be over-optimistic. This campaign will demand the utmost effort on the part of every republican, and I am anxious that the editors of the state understand that we have a fight on our hands."

"I feel confident of success, but I am not overconfident. I have made no promises, and I ask you to stand by me, and I promise you that I will do my part."

At the morning session the editors elected the following officers:

President, Charles F. Burton, Aurora; vice president, John E. Marshall, Yorkville; secretary, P. E. Whitlinton, Harvard; treasurer, H. B. Faye, DeKalb.

Senator Daniel Hunt, of DeKalb, was present and took a prominent part in the entertainment of the editors.

Among the other prominent politicians were Senator Daniel Campbell and Representative Carl Mueller, of Chicago; Senator Grainger, of McHenry county; M. O. Williamson, of Galena; republican candidate for state treasurer, Capt. T. S. Rogers, Representative Guy L. Bush, of Downers Grove, and Charles T. Cherry, of Kendall county.

NOTICE OF ELECTION.

Notice is hereby given that on Saturday, the 30th day of June, 1900, at the village hall in the village of Downers Grove, DuPage county, Illinois, a special election will be held to elect one member of the village board of trustees to fill the unexpired term of, and vacancy on said board, caused by the resignation of M. K. Bush. The polls will be opened at 7 o'clock and remain open until 5 o'clock.

Dated this 6th day of June, 1900.
Burr G. Warren, Village Clerk.