

PARTY AT THE PARK

MR AND MRS. GUY L. BUSH ENTERTAIN SATURDAY EVENING.

Fifty Drive Downs to Pretty Burlington Park Saturday and Spend the Evening in Dancing and Other Pleasures.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy L. Bush entertained a large party of their friends in elaborate style at Burlington park last Saturday afternoon and evening. The guests, who numbered over fifty, drove over to the pretty resort late in the afternoon, and during the time from their arrival until midnight the park was at their disposal to do as they wished. All sorts of pleasures and amusements were provided for the diversion of the guests, who enjoyed themselves greatly. Boating, dancing, bowling, and all manner of pastimes were indulged in, including strolls through the beautifully shaded drives of this charming spot. Mr. and Mrs. Bush, assisted by Mrs. William H. Radell, received their guests in the refreshment pavilion, where, during the early part of the evening, an elaborate supper was served. The crowd was hungry and eagerly disposed of the large quantities of chicken salad, sandwiches, rolls, coffee, olives, strawberries, ice cream and cakes. After supper the steam merry-go-round was placed at the disposal of the company, who, in for all the pleasures, took several rides.

The program for the evening consisted of dancing, and the dancing pavilion, brilliant with vari-colored electric lights, was the center of attraction. Lauletta Brothers' orchestra, furnished the merry-makers with exquisite music. The scene was a brilliant one, and certainly no prettier social function ever delighted the society of Downers Grove. Pretty Burlington park, naturally beautiful, was resplendent with brightly colored electric lights, and formed a handsome setting for the summer toilettes of the ladies, who blossomed out in the full glory of summer gaiety. The weather was perfect, and the host and hostess were so charmingly attentive that every wish of their guests was anticipated and filled the crowd with regret when the carriages were summoned at the time of leaving. The outing closed with the drive home through the moonlight, the party arriving here about 10 o'clock.

Among the guests who enjoyed the outing were Messrs. and Mesdames A. R. Heckman, James Lenth and Fred. N. Poase, of Chicago; W. H. Radell, William Straube, V. Simonson, Hugh M. White, E. M. Gallup and F. A. Dawes, of Downers Grove; Misses Louis Colwell, Mabel Rutherford, Anna Welden, Mabel Hunt, Lou Smith, Maud Bateman, Mabel Genser, Edith Graham, Gertrude Fraenkel, Laura Hughes, Edith Earnest and Olive Mertz, Downers Grove; Eva Hunt, Florence and Edna Wander, of Naperville; Julia Rapp and Grace Hansom, of Chicago; Grace Bird, of Hinsdale; Messrs L. E. Jones, Howard P. Jones, Warren H. Jones, W. C. Whiffen, A. R. Whiffen, Frank Willard, H. M. Bateman, R. A. Lyman, W. H. Blodgett, G. E. Ernest, Glen Edwards and Lee E. Stanley, of Downers Grove; Dr. W. C. Barber, of Naperville, and Ed. Huntington, of Hinsdale.

SUBURBAN ELECTRIC RUMORS

Again rumors of the suburban Electric's intention to extend its line westward are abroad in the land. H. C. Middaugh has offered a right of way through his property east of town, which, with other property owners he has influenced to a similar action, will make a mile of the route which the road will take on its way to Downers Grove. As soon as the road gets a franchise through Western Springs, which it is now trying to do, another application will be made to the Hinsdale council, and also to the board of trustees of Downers Grove.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Table listing real estate transfers including names like Wm J. Hegging to Wm Straube, lot 19, block 4, Prince's addition to Downers Grove, \$1600.

WRITES FROM THE PHILIPPINES

Private Harry Lee, Formerly of Downers Grove, Wounded in an Engagement.

H. P. Lee has received a letter from his son, Harry C. Lee, a member of company H, Forty-third United States Volunteer Infantry, who is stationed at an outpost at Calbayog, Samar, Philippine Islands, telling something of the life there which may prove interesting to his friends here. The letter is dated April 23d. He states that about thirty of his company were surprised and surrounded by the insurgents in their barracks on the morning of April 15th. Firing from the windows of their quarters, they were enabled to keep the enemy at bay. The firing continued all day and evening and the next day and night, until Filipinos were driven into a big church a few yards from the soldiers' quarters. By throwing torches saturated with oil from the church windows the Filipinos set fire to the barracks, and the soldiers were forced to leave the building, charging the enemy to the river and killing fifteen insurgents. Two of the Americans were killed and three wounded, of which Private Lee was one. He was shot three times in the left arm. Only ten of the soldiers were able to use their rifles, and as there were no officers and corporal, the situation was anything but pleasant. The men were kept in good spirits expecting reinforcements from Loang, where their company was stationed, but these did not arrive until the afternoon of April 19th. The first lieutenant, with about fifteen men, arrived on a steamer and chased the insurgents to the hills, and relayed the little command and got the men out of the trenches, where they had been laying in water up to their waists for two days without food or good water. Private Lee was taken with the other wounded men to the hospital at Calbayog, one of the men dying on the trip. Before leaving the outpost the Filipinos lying around were counted, and over 300 dead were found. Private Lee writes that, notwithstanding the privations, he is not discouraged or sorry he enlisted, and that he likes the country. Company H, he says, is doing good work and having more service than any other in the regiment. He expects to be home in three or four months.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

The Democrats of Downers Grove township met in caucus last Saturday afternoon at W. H. Barnhart's office and selected delegates to the county and senatorial conventions. The caucus organized by the selection of W. H. Barnhart as chairman and Harry I. Snyder as secretary.

A committee was appointed to select thirteen delegates to the county convention to be held in Wheaton next Saturday, and five delegates to the senatorial convention to be held in Geneva August 2d. The committee reported the following lists of delegates, which were adopted: County delegates—H. I. Snyder, J. W. Tucker, J. B. Moss, F. E. Roth, John Bohlander, Jr., D. G. Colville, M. B. Downer, C. R. Caldwell, B. Roth, Conrad Buschman, George Ruchty, W. H. Barnhart and F. G. Side. Senatorial delegates—E. H. Prince, J. B. Moss, F. E. Roth, Matt. Chilvers, G. H. Bunge.

A township central committee was selected, consisting of M. B. Downer, E. H. Prince, G. H. Bunge, Conrad Buschman and F. E. Roth. The delegates to the county convention were instructed to present the names of G. H. Bunge, E. H. Prince and F. E. Roth for members of the county central committee, and to cast the full vote of the delegation.

MUST FILE PETITIONS FRIDAY

At the meeting of the village caucus committee it was voted that no caucus of the voters of the village of Downers Grove be called for the purpose of nominating a village trustee to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of M. King Bush. Under the present laws it is necessary to file a petition with the village clerk fifteen days prior to election, setting forth the name of nominee and heading for ticket, signed by five per cent. of the vote cast at the last previous election. As the election in question has been set by the village board for Saturday, June 30th, 1900, petitions must be filed with the village clerk not later than Friday, the 15th instant.

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.

Local and Personal Paragraphs

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

Mrs. T. M. Wylie, of Tampico, was a visitor here this week. Mrs. Arthur Wisegarver has been seriously ill the past week. The best and largest assortment of home baked goods at Rang's. The St. Andrew's Episcopal church has been wired for electric lights.

Many of our citizens are frimming the trees in front of their premises. Mrs. J. R. Foster entertained the Foster family at luncheon Monday. John H. Graham, of Chicago, spent Sunday with his friends in the Grove. Finest uncolored Japan tea, 35 cents per pound, three pounds for \$1, at Haller's.

Services as usual at the Congregational church next Sunday morning and evening. Wanted—First-class girl to do ironing in a laundry. Apply at Johnson's steam laundry. Mr. and Mrs. Fred N. Poase, of Chicago, visited his mother, Mrs. Josephine Austin, over Sunday.

Misses Julia Sapp and Grace Hansom, of Chicago, were the guests of Miss Mabel Rutherford Sunday. Fancy California prunes, the cream of California fruit, 10c per pound; other prunes 5c to 8c, at Nash's. William Straube has returned from French Lick Springs, where he has been sojourning for the benefit of his health.

John Stanley is putting on a new roof and painting and papering the building where D. G. Graham has his office. All visiting Sir Knights and Ladies of the Maccabees are especially invited to the lawn social at J. W. Nash's on June 30th. Laundry done right at Johnson's steam laundry. We protect the clothes from wear as well as make them clean and attractive.

Orders for Pennsylvania and Standard oils and gasoline may be left at Bush & Simonson's drug store. Muzzey will promptly fill your cans. Puritan oil stoves have stood the test; over 40 stoves sold in this community. They are no experiments. Call and let C. R. Hughes explain them to you.

The occupants of the Bank building are rejoicing over the removal of the dead and dying trees on Curtiss street, which deprived them of much warmth and light. M. E. Stanger and several others from Downers Grove will attend the first annual picnic of the Eighty-second Illinois Veteran club at Lyon's grove next Sunday.

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. Lightning struck the George Hinds house, on North Main street, Wednesday morning. But slight damage was done to the building. The family had quite a shock, but were not seriously injured.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Riddler and children leave tonight for a visit with her cousin, William Helms, at Fairmount, Neb. Clint will return in a few days, while Mrs. Riddler will remain for several weeks. Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Carpenter and V. Simonson will leave Saturday for Peoria to join State Fish Commissioner Bartlett for a fishing excursion on his boat down the Illinois river. They will be gone about a week.

The board of education wishes to notify the public that the school grounds on Maple avenue must not be used as a thoroughfare, and that the climbing of the tight board fence in the rear of said grounds must not be continued. By order of the board of education. Invitations to the marriage of Miss Emma Lucy Benton to Daniel H. Merrill, editor of the Hinsdale Doings, have been issued, the ceremony to take place at the bride's home, 78 N. View street, Aurora, Wednesday afternoon, June 20th. Only the relatives and intimates of friends of the contracting parties will be present.

The death of Mrs. Ellen Clary occurred Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. H. W. Martin, on Grove street, from the infirmities due to old age. The funeral services were held at the house Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. T. R. Green officiating, and the remains were taken to her former home, at De Witt, Mich., for interment.

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. Croquet set and hammocks at Mertz & Mochel's. Tennis slippers for youths, boys and men at Haller's. E. Schultz is at home enjoying a two-weeks' vacation. Ice box for sale. Inquire of Mrs. Buck, 13 East Curtiss street. The Downers Grove schools close Friday for the summer vacation. Mrs. F. L. Sloat was here from the city yesterday visiting her husband. The July law term of the county court is in session at Wheaton this week. Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Heckman, of Rogers Park, spent Sunday with relatives here. Mr. and Mrs. John Stanley returned last Thursday from a two-weeks' visit in Ottawa. For Sale—Porcelain bath tub, heater and tank. Address P. O. box 287, Downers Grove. Mr. and Mrs. James Lenth, of Chicago, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Guy L. Bush Sunday. Miss Bernice Bennett was in LaGrange last week visiting the high school and friends there. Send in your news items. Stop us on the street and tell us the personal items you know that are of interest.

Mrs. Dan J. Miley spent several days the latter part of last week visiting her father, John Skeels, in Hinsdale. Two real estate men from Macomb were sining up Downers Tuesday and went away with a very favorable impression. 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, heliotropes, ageratum, cosmos, etc., at wholesale prices, at C. S. Poole's greenhouse. Clint Riddler has purchased the A. J. Cooper lot, and now has a hundred feet frontage to his charming residence property on Oakwood avenue. Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Saunders entertained a party of their friends at their home on Maple avenue last Thursday on their crystal wedding anniversary. 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. Right Rev. T. C. Anderson, bishop coadjutor of this diocese, visited St. Andrew's last Friday evening and administered the rite of confirmation to five candidates. Rev. E. M. Thompson, of St. Andrew's church, has gone to Wisconsin for a much-needed rest. Rev. Cross, of Hinsdale, the former rector, will officiate during his three weeks' absence. The Ladies of the Maccabees will give a lawn social at the home of J. W. Nash on Wednesday evening, June 20th. Refreshments of ice cream, strawberries and cake will be served from 6 to 10 o'clock. 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. Why go elsewhere to buy binder twine when you can get good, guaranteed standard or steel twine at 10c per pound, Deering standard or steel at 11c per pound and Deering standard manila at 13c at Mertz & Mochel's? Cook county democracy will assemble in force next Saturday in Burlington park. A host of people will spend the day under wide-spreading branches, on the merry-go-round, in the dancing pavilion and upon the placid bosom of DuPage river. The ladies of the Congregational church will entertain a company of sixty children from the Hull house on Saturday of this week. All who wish to furnish food will kindly send their donations to the church Saturday morning by 9:30 o'clock. The entertainment given by the Rathbone sisters at Carpenter's hall Tuesday evening was well attended, and the ladies cleared about \$25 as a result. H. D. Ward, of Western Springs, had charge of the stereopticon and gave many interesting views, including pictures of a number of local points of note. Portrait pictures of the past chancellors of the Knights of Pythias lodge, loaned by F. H. Huff, were especially good.

Will Call Special Election. Board of Education to Give Another Chance for Vote on New School House. The board of education, knowing the urgent needs of the district for additional school facilities, have determined to make another effort to secure more and better accommodations before the commencement of another school term. At their last meeting they adopted a new system for enlarging the present building on Maple avenue instead of again trying to build an entirely new structure. The plans prepared by an architect, and it is expected to be able to submit them to the property owners for their consideration at a mass meeting to be called in the near future.

The plan contemplated provides for razing the front part of the present Maple avenue building and erecting in its stead a 65x85 foot addition to the remaining wing, two stories in height, with basement. The new addition will be constructed of stone and pressed brick, with a slate roof, and will contain eight rooms besides the basement. Architect M. E. Bell, who is preparing the plans, states that such a structure can be erected complete at an expense of not to exceed \$20,000. The board is preparing data regarding the cost and equipment of the proposed building, together with a detailed exhibit of all materials and expense entering into its construction. These will be submitted to the property owners before the date of the special election called to vote for or against the proposition, which will be held June 30th.

BALL GAME SATURDAY. The Downers Grove Baseball club will open its season on the home grounds Saturday, June 16th, with the Siegels, a crack team from Chicago. Since last year the town team has changed management. The players this season will be under the management of R. G. Morden. The boys have been carefully prepared, and expect to be able to give a good account of themselves when they get in the game. The management expect a big crowd out to witness the opening game, and that end made ample preparation with that end in view. A number of new faces will be seen on the team, among them John Davis, late of the Canton (N. Y.) team; J. Whimer, of the Lithographers' Stars; Fred Innes, of the "Q" club, and Joseph Duncan, of the Hinsdale club. Charis Weber will be seen on the field again in a new role, and Messrs. Wells, Rice, Skeels and C. F. Davis will also take prominent parts in the game. The line-up for Saturday will be—Colville, first base; Innes, second base; Davis, short stop; Weber, third base; Whimer, left field; Rice, center field; Duncan, right field; Skeels and Wells, pitchers, and Duncan, catcher. The game will be called promptly at 3 o'clock p. m.

PROHIBITION CONVENTION. The prohibitionists of DuPage county held a convention at the college chapel in Wheaton recently and nominated a county ticket to meet defeat in November. Twenty-eight delegates were also elected to the state convention, to be held in Chicago, June 26th. The following county officers were nominated by the convention: State's attorney, Luther H. Grange, Wheaton; circuit clerk, John Alspaugh, Naperville; surveyor, J. G. Blank, Granger; coroner, Dr. E. C. Guild, Wheaton. The officers elected for the coming year are as follows: Dr. E. C. Guild, chairman; E. L. Roberts, secretary; John Sutcliffe, treasurer. The central committee chosen are Calvin Steek, Prof. H. F. Kletzing, A. L. Tenny, W. O. Pratt, Edward Warner, J. G. Blank. Professor Fischer was chairman of the convention.

GAUL'S "HOLY CITY." A chorus comprising the best talent of Downers Grove will give Gaul's "Holy City" on Friday, June 23d. The chorus, under Carlisle Tucker's direction, will be assisted by four of the best young singers in Chicago—Miss Grace Nelson, soprano; Miss Mabel Shorey, contralto; George Damers, tenor; and Carlisle Tucker, bass. It is the intention to give the work with organ and piano accompaniment, with Miss Leola Stringfield, of Chicago, at the piano. A fuller notice next week.

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 Sign Nurseries, Elgin, Ill. Have Johnson's moon call for your laundry. Good work guaranteed.

THE COMMENCEMENT

FIELD-DAY SPORTS SATURDAY. BACCALAUREATE DINNER.

At surely as early dawn, light green and warm weather all came in early June, with an much emphasis on the closing exercises of the high schools with their several important functions. The first of these was held last Friday evening at the home of H. H. Nourse, when the Juniors held their annual reception to the graduating class. A short program was ordered, consisting of a vocal solo by Miss Martha Downer, a guitar solo by Edwin Pridham, a clever little musical poem, entitled "The Class of 1900," by Miss Katherine Dixon. At about 10 o'clock light refreshments were served. The dining room was decorated in pink and green, the senior class color, and with festoons of clover, the class flower. The refreshments were served by three young ladies from the freshman class. Miss Mabel Messner admirably filled the place of toastmistress, and introduced Mr. Seales to toast the school. Harry Stisser to speak for the senior class and Edwin Nourse for the Juniors. Every member of both classes, together with the superintendent, his wife, and the teachers, was present, and a very pleasant evening was spent. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Seales, Miss Mabel Messner, Miss Katherine Dixon, Nellie Carpenter, Carrie Martin, Florence Spahr, Martha Downer, Alice Nourse, Bertha Tenny, Daisy Fisher, Myrtle Collier, Katherine Dixon, and Messrs. David Holland, Harry Stisser, Frank Baker, Hibbard Green, Frank Spahr, Edwin Nourse, Ross MacLean and Edwin Pridham, Lillian Bennett. The observance of a field day afforded more than passing interest, and a large crowd was on Downers' field Saturday afternoon to witness the sports. The events and the winners were as follows: Hurdle race, won by Hibbard Green, time, 29 seconds. Hundred-yard dash, won by Frank Spahr, time, 15 seconds. Half-mile foot race, won by Harry Stisser, time, 2:14. Girls' slow bicycle race, won by Iva Hall. Shot put, won by Frank Baker, 30 feet 1 inch. Hammer throw, won by Hibbard Green, 67 feet 10 inches. High jump, won by Frank Spahr and Ernest Baker, 4 feet 8 inches. The tennis match, won by Will Krumba. Martha Downer and Cora Wheeler carried off the prize for the doubles. The half-mile bicycle race was won by Arthur Hughes, time, 1:13. Roy Johnston won the two-mile bicycle race; time, 6:07.

On last Sunday evening the annual baccalaureate address was given to the graduating class of the high school, Mr. H. H. Van Meter, a gentleman prominent in Chicago in young people's work, was the speaker of the occasion. His words came from his own experience, and through the wisdom that acquired he interpreted the aims and objectives of life and the values that should measure action. His address was replete with anecdote, humor and keen appreciation of human nature. It was happy for the occasion and full of significance to the class. The large audience complimented the speaker with the closest attention and deep interest. The school and the community are under great obligations for this privilege of hearing him. The churchmen of the town united in the services, and a large congregation gathered to do honor to the occasion. Superintendent and Mrs. Seales, together with the high school teachers, held a reception in honor of the graduating class last evening at their home, 78 Maple avenue. The Juniors were also present to grace the occasion. An appropriate program was given and refreshments were served. Each one present was given a souvenir booklet on which was painted in water colors the flower and colors and motto of the class. Tomorrow night the eighteenth annual commencement exercises will be held at the Methodist church.

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 a member of the village board of trustees to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of H. E. Bush. The election will be opened at 7 o'clock a. m. and remain open until 3 o'clock p. m. Dated this 14th day of June, 1900. Earl C. Wynn, Village Clerk.

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