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CAMPAIGN IS OPENED

REPUBLICANS GATHER AT BURLINGTON PARK SATURDAY.

Yates, Mason, Hopkins, Reeves and Other Republican Speakers Make Hits with the Crowd.

The campaign in DuPage county was formally opened at Burlington Park last Saturday afternoon and evening, with a big rally and picnic, at which Judge Yates was the principal attraction. Capt. T. S. Rogers of Downers Grove acted as master of ceremonies, and called the crowd to order at 2 o'clock. The Illinois Quartette of Aurora opened the program by singing "Illinois."

Congressman A. J. Hopkins of the Eighth District was the first speaker, and for an hour kept the crowd applauding his clever hits. He was followed by Congressman Reeves of Streator, who also scored several telling hits. Senator Mason who arrived during Reeves' address, in a half hour speech flayed Bryan for his contradictory attitude upon the question of the peace treaty with Spain and exposed the Democratic inconsistency on the trust question.

Judge Yates, escorted by Assistant General Manager Carpenter of the Burlington road, and accompanied by several nominees on the state ticket, arrived on a special train at 7 o'clock. He was met at the train by the DuPage county band and the entire gathering and given a warm welcome. Rousing cheers greeted the candidate when he stepped on the speakers stand. "America" was sung by the entire audience after which Judge Yates proceeded with his speech. He paid his compliments to the large number of German-Americans present, and in a fifteen-minute talk convincingly answered the Democratic arguments. Judge Yates was hoarse from much speaking, but was full of energy and had every man in his audience with him from start to finish.

Following Judge Yates, Joseph Brucker, the editor of the Illinois Staats Zeitung, addressed the German-Americans in the audience in a speech which was constantly interrupted by applause. M. O. Williamson, candidate for State Treasurer, was introduced and made a good impression upon his auditors. The speaking closed with an address from T. T. Bluthardt of Chicago.

Senator Mason's speech sparkled with telling hits, and found especial favor with the crowd. He said in part:

The real issues of the campaign are practically the same as they were in 1896, and the great issue between the two parties is now as it was then, whether we are to give the labor of this country to the laboring people of this country. I do not in any way intend to belittle the issue of sound money; I do not intend to overlook any of the great questions involved, but I respectfully insist and our history shows it to be true, that when those who labor with their hands are employed and receive a fair day's wages for a fair day's work, the country is prosperous and happy; and also, when people are unemployed and protective duties are taken away, and we purchase the product of the labor of other countries, disaster and ruin come to the people, and every time we have tried it the plain people have been clothed with the badge of poverty and often fed themselves at the public soup houses of Democracy.

Message of Protection.
No matter how many millions of bushels of grain there may be in the granaries of the land; no matter how many millions of dollars of gold and silver there may be piled up in the vaults in the banks; as far as the great body of American people is concerned the wheat may rot and the money may rust unless we are offered the opportunity and the profits of labor.

The Dog and His Reflection.
I remember once having heard Mr. Speaker Reed describe that intelligent American by telling a story of the dog crossing a stream upon a plank, carrying the home market, a bone, in his mouth, and as he advanced over the water he saw his reflection which he took to be another dog. And the other dog had in his mouth the "markets of the world." Of course you remember that in his frantic efforts to get the markets of the world he lost his home market and went supperless to bed.

Of course there are many things to be talked about in this campaign besides the tariff, including imperialism, trusts, militarism, free silver, etc., and you will notice as the campaign proceeds how one party is looking for, praying for, hoping for prosperity, while the other party is full of dismal doubts and despair. The hum of the threshing machine is music to the Republican heart, while it brings tears to the heart of Democracy which can only be comforted by the weevil, cut worm and chinch bug. Drouth and crop failure brightens the eye of Democracy for it foretells sorrow and disaster and is an encouraging sign for Democracy. A good price for hay, corn, oats and wheat adds hope to the Republican heart while 40-cent wheat hangs her loving arm around the neck of the sad-eyed son of Nebraska.

I will be expected to speak upon the subject of imperialism, whereas, imperialism, pure and simple is not in this campaign. Both parties in their platforms stand by the republic and condemn imperialism, and if there was any man in the United States who believed that President McKinley was even tainted by imperialism, his course upon the Chinese question long after the adoption of the platform must make clear indeed his devotion to the doctrines of the pure republic.

Whatever title Spain had in the Philippine islands we bought and paid for. Many of us thought she had good title, but in the treaty of peace we bought and paid \$20,000,000 in gold and assumed the debts of Spain to American citizens in Cuba. God did not buy the islands for us or compel us to buy them. A good many Republicans did not want to buy them; quite a few Democrats did not want to buy them. It took two-thirds of the United States senate to adopt the treaty with that purchasing clause in it. No one man in or out of public life could influence so many votes in favor of that purchase as did William Jennings Bryan, and the fact is that he was so strongly for the treaty that he came to Washington and in person advised the ratification of the treaty, which not only made us purchase of Spain the title to the Philippine islands, but under and by which we entered into solemn obligations to give other nations of the world certain privileges there for a certain number of years. Without Mr. Bryan's influence the Philippine islands could not have been purchased. The treaty containing that clause lacked a good many votes when he came to Washington. It was hoped that we could amend the treaty.

Future Will Answer Questions.
I am not arguing the question of whether the hope was a wise one or not; the future will answer many questions for all of us, but the fact remains that by the aid, advice and active support of Mr. Bryan, the treaty was confirmed and the islands purchased, and from that hour until this, the president of the United States has no more right to part with the title to one inch of that ground than he has to dicker for the sale of the commonwealth of Illinois. And now that I am on this subject, one upon which I have been so much misunderstood and so wilfully misquoted, I am sure that this forum will give me one minute.

ANNUAL HARVEST FESTIVAL.
C. S. Hughes & Co., have preparations almost completed for their second annual harvest festival which will be held next week Friday and Saturday, Sept. 29th and 30th. The one given last year was such a success that the proprietors determined to make the affair an annual occurrence, and was designed primarily so that the people of Downers Grove and adjacent territory may come and meet old friends and make new acquaintances, while taking a two days holiday. The store will be decorated with the garnered fruits of the harvest, and exhibits of various kinds will be chief among the attractions. During the festival refreshments of ice cream, cake, and lemonade will be served free to adults. Each evening the Zenda orchestra, under the direction of S. H. Frey, will give free concerts at 7:30 o'clock. Other features will make up an attractive program which Hughes & Co. promise will eclipse their former festival. Everybody is invited to attend. The program for the concerts follows:

- Friday Evening, Sept. 28th at 7:30.
Union Forever March.....Sconroy
Reiner's Overture.....Godfrey
Fantastic Waltz.....Zikoff
The New Century March.....Brooke
Hope Springs Sacred.....Barnard
Ten Minute Intermission.....
At Coontown's Picnic.....Line
The Merry Minstrel.....Voelker
Meck's Serenade, Schottische.....Toner
The Forest Cakewalk.....Frey
Ellis Green's March.....Kinsley
- Saturday Evening, Sept. 29, at 7:30.
Fortune Teller March.....Herbert
Sons Social Overture.....Kaala
Irene Waltz.....Benett
Union Forever March.....Sconroy
Nearer My God to Thee.....Brothers
Ten Minute Intermission.....
Bunch O'Blackberries.....Hottel
National Overture "America".....Schlegel
Zelta Schottische.....Hazel
Amor Del Cor. Waltz.....Seider
Marching Through Georgia.....Selected

GRAND JURY.
Following are members of the Grand Jury, summoned to appear for the October term of Circuit Court:
Addison—William Marquardt, Emil Schwedtfeger, Bloomfield—Martin Stark, Edward Schaper, Wayne—Robert Ross, Winfield—J. O. Carr, J. T. Horsford, W. T. Reed, Milton—E. H. McChesney, Emil Ehinger, Harry Gates, York—E. F. Fletcher, Fred Wetland, Chas. Meck, Downers Grove—Hugh M. White, Fred Anderson, J. C. F. Merrill, John R. Jarrett, Lisle—Michael Dieter, Irving Goodrich, Naperville—John Augsburg, E. B. Coffin, Wallace Jones.

Local and Personal Paragraphs.

White Rose gasoline, Nash's. Burn Muzzeys Pennsylvania oil. Additional local news on fifth page. Drink Gona Mocha and Java coffee. H. G. Barr is at present living at home. The finest watermelons on ice at Rang's. Herman Stremier has gone to Leaville, Colo. Lester Barr visited the Drainage canal on Sunday. October New Idea Fashion sheets now ready at Haller's. Friendship Hearts, 25 cents, engraving free at Sommers. John Hall returned Tuesday from his visit in Pennsylvania. Mrs. R. D. Parker has been visiting friends in the city the past week. The Sommers Alarm clock, \$1, fully guaranteed. Sommers the Jeweler. Odd sizes in ladies and childrens rubbers at 10 cents per pair at Haller's. Attend the meeting at the village hall Saturday evening to organize local republican club. H. S. Goodspeed of Pheobus, Va., spent Thursday with Mrs. J. J. Goodspeed and family. Dr. and Mrs. F. H. Kennison contemplate extensive improvements on their home on Prince avenue. Miss Nettie Tenny, who has been spending the summer at Bay View, returned home Saturday, Sept. 15. Miss A. Barton of Riverside, attended the dance Friday evening and spent the rest of the week with Miss E. Saas. Miss Susie Edwards leaves the first of next week for the south, expecting to remain away during the school year. H. I. Seider, has rented part of E. Woehrel's cigar factory, for the purpose of manufacturing his patent inkstand. A Chicago Milliner will make and trim stylish hats. Call 116 Benton avenue, or address Miss Goodspeed, Village. Mrs. McCarty of Chicago, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Chaplin and calling on other friends for the past few days. Lost—Valuable scotch collie; color black; long nose; strayed from premises of owner Monday noon. Reward for return to 156 Middaugh avenue, Downers Grove. A dance was given at Oldfield Hall Friday evening which was well attended. Tickets were 50 cents, with refreshments extra. A Chicago orchestra furnished the music. The officers of the Dramatic Club for the year are: J. R. King, Director and Stage Manager; Fred Enns, Business Manager; F. E. Miller, Stage carpenter, and property man. Mrs. S. M. Hawk, of LaGrange, is making her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Tenny, a two-weeks visit. She arrived here in time to assist in nursing her mother, through her injuries. James Pentorey returned Monday from a trip through the west, visiting Denver, Salida, Grand Junction and Salt Lake City. While in the latter city he met Frank Stanger and visited with him for several days. Monday evening Mrs. A. L. Tenny, met with a bad accident in falling down a flight of stairs. Dr. Gourley was called to examine injuries, and although very painful, they will not prove serious. Mrs. J. B. Page and Miss Jane Bird of Hinsdale, will open their regular drawing class Saturday morning, Oct. 6, 1900, at the home of Miss Bird in Hinsdale, corner Fourth street and Garfield avenue. Hours, ten to twelve Saturday mornings. Terms, \$5 for twelve lessons.

Some objection to the proposition to pave Main street, before sewers were established, has been met by the committee in charge of the matter, by providing that the two 15-inch tile sewers now laid in Main street be taken up and relaid, and house connections made before the paving is done. This will care for the Main street sewerage for all time to come and should remove any objection property owners may have had to signing the petitions for paving that thoroughfare, especially in view of the fact that the width of the roadway has been reduced from 50 to 40 feet to lessen the cost of the improvement. Property owners should not hesitate longer to secure this greatly needed improvement. It is the desire of the committee to hasten the details as much as possible in order that the sewers may be laid this fall, and have all in readiness as early in the spring as practicable for the laying of the pavement.

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. Fancy Jersey sweet potatoes at Haller's. J. R. King and mother, returned Sunday at Quincy. Dead shoe stock at your own price. J. W. Nash. Call at Haller's and see the new milk can washers. Geo. Houk is spending a two week's vacation in Minnesota. Buy Velvet Starch and receive a beautiful pron at Haller's. The best and largest assortment of home baked goods at Rang's. We do high grade watch repairing only. Sommers the Jeweler. Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Bunge returned Monday from their visit in Nebraska. Ask for Osner's School Boy shoes they stand all kinds of weather, at Haller's. A family named Bottles have moved into the Bartle house on South Washington street. Mrs. H. C. Post and Miss M. E. Post, have returned to Chicago after visiting Mrs. C. H. Wood. Ladies Shoes, Razor Toe, sizes 2 1/2, 3, and 4. Former Price \$2.95, now 98 cents at Haller's. D. G. Graham has been appointed administrator of the estate of the late John Graves, deceased. Mrs. C. K. Roe returned Monday from a visit of several weeks with relatives at Grand Rapids, Mich. Miss Laura Hughes has accepted a position with the Giles Merchantile Co. at Colorado Springs, Colo. Miss Maurine Sayers of Marengo, Iowa, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. A. J. Gray, returned home Friday. Miss Murphy of Galesburg, and Miss Drolets of Chicago, were at Downers Grove with W. W. Barry Tuesday evening. Mrs. A. B. Cole of Ottawa, took dinner with her parents Monday night on her way to Dubuque, Iowa, for a short visit. F. D. Lowman, editor of the Sandwich Free Press, was here a few hours yesterday calling on friends, and made this office a pleasant call. Ed Huntington and Frank Willard, and the Misses Lulu Smith and June Bird, and Mr. and Mrs. Gallup took a trip to St. Joe, Mich., on Sunday.—Doings.

Thursday Sept. 27, the Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. Church, will serve luncheon at the home of Mrs. Charles Carpenter, 154 South Main street, from 12 until 2. Judge Batten is home again in Naperville, a patient sufferer with his annual affliction, hay fever, although not incapacitated from attending to business.—Clarion. For Sale—Cottage, barn, and 50 feet, \$650; 2 acres near in \$325; 30 acre farm land cheap. Please call Fredenhagen's Real Estate Agency 64 Main street Village, or 157 Washington street, Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Peet and son are here making their farewell visit with their aunt, Mrs. D. H. Naramore and cousin before leaving America for their home in Constantinople, Turkey. The Downers Grove ball team had a game scheduled with the Butler Paper Company nine Saturday, but the organization failed to show up, and a game was arranged and played with a picked nine. The regulars won by a score of 13 to 6. Those persons who have not laid in their winter supply of coal, are anxiously wondering the effect the strike at the anthracite mines will have on the local coal market. Local dealers have advanced their prices seventy-five cents a ton, but state they do not think the strike will be of long duration. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Fowler celebrated the 20th anniversary of their marriage by inviting their friends to their home last Tuesday evening. The friends in turn most agreeably surprised their host and hostess by presenting them with an elegant dinner-set. An evening of social enjoyment was spent, closing with a dainty collation. Those participating in the surprise were: Messrs. and Mesdames W. H. Banker, J. Fairweather, S. H. Frey, Fred Heil, T. R. Greene, W. H. Jones, D. B. Knisley, F. C. Lancaster, F. E. Lower, A. E. Olson, Wm. Shansbrook, O. L. Sutherland, H. S. Wheeler, Miss Hattie Kenney, Miss Anna Myers, Miss Maggie O'Donnell, Miss Varson, and Mrs. Foster.

DEATH OF JOHN GRAVES.
Eccentric Character Long a Resident of Downers Grove, Died Thursday. John Graves, a well-known and eccentric character of Downers Grove, who for years, has made his home on North Main street, near the Park road, died Thursday evening from dropsy, and the infirmities of old age, aged 90 years. Mr. Graves had been confined to his bed about a month but had been unable to get about since an accident in the spring when he was thrown from his wagon and injured. The funeral was held from the house Saturday morning at ten o'clock, and interment made at the Cemetery at Lisle. Rev. T. R. Green conducted the services. John Graves was one of the pioneers of the county having settled here on a farm near Lisle in 1830, and has since made this county his home—at Lisle, later at Belmont, and for the past nine years in Downers Grove. Born in New York state, November 24th 1810, he was married to Maria Upright and emigrated to Illinois. Ten children were born to them, though all are now dead save one, Mrs. Lucy Crawford of Manhattan, Ill., who was here at the funeral. Three grand-children are all that remain of the once large family. They are: Mrs. W. E. Farrar of Downers Grove, Mrs. Marie Barr of Joliet, and John Graves of Texas. John Graves because of his eccentric character, was perhaps the most widely known, though least understood of any man in the county. At one time he was credited with being one of its wealthiest residents, but much of his money was in late years sunk in unprofitable investments. His peculiarity gained for him the reputation of a miser, though this is denied by those more intimately acquainted with him. In many ways his eccentricity was manifested, chief of which was his simple ways of living. Possessed of abundant means and with few wants, he thought it money thrown away to spend it on himself, and consequently lived in a very simple manner. In fact his surroundings were such as to lead one to suppose him in straitened circumstances. Since the death of his wife about four years ago he had lived alone, except during the time his grand-daughter lived with him.

REUNION OF SISTERS.
Five sisters, daughters of George and Ann Ferris DeLap, together with their husbands, held a reunion here Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Parker, on Gilbert avenue. They were Mrs. May Merrill of East Randolph, N. Y., Mrs. Susan Washburn of Hainesville, Ill., Mrs. Minnie Wright of Chicago, Mrs. Fannie Parker and Mrs. Pheobe Dally of Downers Grove. The ladies are all natives of Howard, New York, and came west with their parents before the war, settling in Lake county. Their meeting here Tuesday was the first time the entire number had met together in twenty-five years. The day was spent pleasantly in remembrance conversation, and a picture of the group was taken to serve as a souvenir of the day. Some idea of the solidity of the gathering may be gained from the combined weight of the party—sisters and husbands—which was one ton, or an average of 200 pounds each. The gentlemen of the party were: Messrs. M. F. Merrill, Chas. Washburn, Chas. Wright, O. J. Dally, and R. D. Parker.

SUPERVISORS PROCEEDINGS.
Continuation of report of meeting held July 15th: On motion of Supervisor Betts the following resolution relating to swamp lands, was approved and the clerk ordered to certify the same to Isaac R. Hitt as agent: Resolved, that Isaac R. Hitt be, and is hereby authorized under the rules and regulations of the General Land Office to certify that this county has completed its selection of swamp and overflowed lands, also to waive the claim of the county to any swamp land selections which on examination are found to be neither swamp or overflowed within the meaning of the swamp land Grant. On motion of Supervisor Hill the abatement list as submitted by County Treasurer Ayres, was abated, except as to the items marked "Extend on Tax for 1900." On motion of Supervisor Bartlett the Board adjourned subject to call on Chair. H. F. Lawrence, Clerk.

FIRST TOUCH OF FALL.
The first touch of fall—the real article—came early this week and caused many to start furnaces and hunt up rusty joints of pipe in setting up the hard coal stove. Light frosts, the first of the season, were reported in low spots Tuesday morning by some, while others insist there was none. At any rate the morning air was fresh enough to make top coats comfortable.

SCHOOL DAYS AGAIN

FALL TERM OPENS MONDAY WITH LARGE ENROLLMENT.

School opened Monday morning for the fall term after a very pleasant vacation, and soon Superintendent Denison and his able corps of teachers had everything working smoothly, notwithstanding the adverse conditions, and it is expected that a successful year will result. The enrollment on the opening day was 499 which will no doubt be considerably increased. The scholars are divided as follows: North building 305, Herring building 79, Thompson's hall 43, Blanchard building 45, south building 136. This is a decrease in the first day's attendance from last year of 5, when the first day's enrollment was 504. The decrease is caused by the absence of 33 Polish children who are attending St. Mary's parochial school. A teacher from the mother country conducts the classes in Polish in the forenoon. English classes are heard in the afternoon.

The fact that the schools of Downers Grove rank with the best schools of the state, is evidenced by the following official document from the University of Illinois, which Sept. 20, M. Searles has just received: University of Illinois. This certifies that Downers Grove High School having been duly examined and approved, has been admitted by the faculty of the University of Illinois to its list of fully accredited schools, and that pupils of said school graduated therefrom doing the terms of this certificate may be admitted to the university without examination given by the order of the faculty of the University at Urbana, Ill., this 20th day of June 1900, and valid until the 30th day of June 1902. A. D. Draper, President, W. L. Pillsbury, Registrar. This official recognition of the character of work in our schools is surely very gratifying to citizens, students and teachers.

It is very evident that the young people of Downers Grove—former graduates of the High School—are taking considerable interest in getting a good education, and in fitting themselves thoroughly for a broad sphere in life. Floyd Farrar and Lynn Wheeler are students in the University of Illinois; John DeGroot is taking a course in the University of Michigan; Hibbard Green has entered the Northwestern college at Naperville; Mary Kourse expects soon to enter the Sophomore class in the University of Chicago; Harry Steiner is doing advanced work in the LaGrange High School; Irving Beards and Earl Herring will spend the year in Northwestern University at Evanston; Frank Baker expects to begin a course in one of the Medical colleges in Chicago; and Florence Spahr is preparing to teach in the Normal school at Aurora.

This is certainly an excellent record for the village of Downers Grove and sets a high water mark to future graduates. That future classes have caught the spirit of these young people, is shown from the intentions of the present senior class. At least five of them expect to continue their education in higher schools. There is no reason today why a young man or woman should not get a college education if it is desired. There are so many ways for working through the college that the poor boy really stands a better show than the rich. Having earned what he gets he can more justly value it. A young man or woman will never regret it if he does not yield to the temptation to lose himself in the Burlington office or the other great companies of the city for a salary of \$30 or \$40 per month.

Supt. O. M. Searles held a meeting of the teachers on Saturday before school for the purpose of discussing plans for the year's work. All the teachers were present, and enthusiastic over the work which they expect to do this year, even in spite of the adverse conditions that confront them. By selling a case of Larkins soap, the pupils in Miss Gray's school have secured as a prize, a beautiful oak book-case worth at retail about \$15. It is handsome, and both pupils and teachers are very proud of it. They thank their friends who were kind enough to buy the soap, for the courtesy shown.

REPUBLICANS TO ORGANIZE.
There will be a meeting to organize a Republican club at Village Hall on Saturday evening, Sept. 30th, at 8 o'clock. All voters who are in favor of sustaining and continuing the administration of President McKinley and the present prosperity of the country, are invited and urged to attend and assist in the organization.



SENATOR MASON.