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COUNTY'S DADS MEET

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF COUNTY SUPERVISORS.

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Proceedings of the board of supervisors of DuPage county, Ill., at a special meeting held at the court house in Wheaton, on Monday the 15th day of April, A. D. 1901, pursuant to the following call, which was duly published: Wheaton, Ill., April 5, 1901.

To H. F. Lawrence, county clerk and ex officio clerk of the board of supervisors of DuPage county, Ill.

Dear Sir: You are respectfully requested to call the board of supervisors of DuPage county together in special session to convene at the court house in Wheaton on Monday, the 15th day of April, A. D. 1901, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of organizing and appointing the various committees for the ensuing year and to transact such other business as may come before them. Yours truly, Wm. Hammerschmidt, C. B. Blodgett, A. W. Kohly, Jacob E. Bender, C. D. Bartlett, supervisors.

The board was called to order by the clerk and on motion of Supervisor Churchill, Supervisor Hammerschmidt was chosen temporary chairman. The credentials of the newly elected members of the board were examined and read and being considered in due form, as by statute required, they have qualified and filed their bonds, were on motion of Supervisor Bartlett declared members of the board of Supervisors of DuPage county.

On call of roll the full board, consisting of the following members, were present: Geo. A. Fischer, Jacob E. Bender, C. D. Bartlett, A. H. Wiant, John Christie, Amos Churchill, Wm. Hammerschmidt, Jas. McClintock, C. B. Blodgett, F. H. Cramer, A. W. Kohly and Thos. Betts.

Moved by Supervisor Bartlett that an informal ballot be taken for permanent chairman for the ensuing year. Motion prevailed.

Moved by Supervisor Bender that the chair appoint two tellers to count the votes cast for permanent chairman. Motion carried.

Whereupon the chair appointed Supervisors Bender and Bartlett tellers.

On the informal ballot Supervisor McClintock received seven votes, Supervisor Bartlett four and Supervisor Bender one.

On motion of Supervisor Churchill the board took a formal ballot and for permanent chairman.

On formal ballot Supervisor McClintock received seven votes and Supervisor Bartlett five. Supervisor McClintock having received a majority of votes cast, was on motion declared permanent chairman for the ensuing year.

Supervisor Bartlett was called to the chair by Chairman McClintock while he retired to make up the list of committees for the year following.

Minutes of last preceding meeting were read and declared approved.

Communication or resolution from Commissioners of Cook county were read to the board and was on motion of Supervisor Hammerschmidt laid on table.

On motion of Supervisor Hammerschmidt the board took a recess of fifteen minutes.

On re-convening the chair presented the following list of committees for the ensuing year, which on motion of Supervisor Bartlett was declared approved:

Finance, Wm. Hammerschmidt, F. H. Cramer, G. A. Fischer, Claims, J. E. Bender, Thos. Betts, G. A. Fischer Fees and Salaries, F. H. Cramer, A. W. Kohly, Amos Churchill, Court House and Grounds, C. B. Blodgett, Thos. Betts, C. D. Bartlett, County Farm, C. D. Bartlett, J. E. Bender, John Christie, Special, A. W. Kohly, Amos Churchill, A. H. Wiant, Judiciary, A. H. Wiant, John Christie, J. E. Bender, License, John Christie, Wm. Hammerschmidt, F. H. Cramer, Counsel, Thos. Betts, Amos Churchill, C. B. Blodgett, County Supplies, G. A. Fischer, C. D. Bartlett, Wm. Hammerschmidt.

All bills and communications on file with the clerk were read and referred to their respective committees.

Committee on claims made the following report, which on motion of Supervisor Churchill was declared approved.

Mr. Chairman and Gentleman of the Board of Supervisors:

Your committee to whom was referred the claims beg to report that they have examined all claims presented and recommend the payment of the following and that the clerk be directed to issue county orders for the amounts to the several claimants to-wit: Chicago Telephone Co., rent to July 1st, and toll to March 31, 1901.

Wheaton Electric Light Co., March	12 75
Ill. Northern Hospital, care county patients to April 1	15 00
Humane Restraint Co., Two pair armlets and wristlets	11 50
Callagan & Co., Appellate report	2 72
John Cramer, apprehending horse thief	50 00
John Mulcahy, deputy fees	39 00
Frank Hageman, livery hire	19 00
Frank Holstein, material and repairs on old house at county farm	32 62
D. G. Graham, fees in peoples case	3 60
Dr. W. A. Tope, medical services in insane case	15 00
R. T. Morgan, expenses at Springfield, postage, etc.	19 70

Respectfully submitted, JACOB E. BENDER, Chairman. On motion of Supervisor Hammerschmidt the board adjourned to call of chair. H. F. LAWRENCE, Clerk.

THAT NEW DEPOT PROPOSITION.

Downers Grove undoubtedly needs a new depot quite as badly as did Hinsdale, Riverside or LaGrange. The revenue derived by the Burlington company from Downers Grove is perhaps as great as from any of the other towns named. Yet each of the other places will have handsome, modern stations while this village will be compelled to endure the present old superannuated relic of the prehistoric ages for an unknown number of years. The present structure dates from the period when some of the oldest settlers wore knickerbockers. A thing of shreds and patches, racked and almost in ruins it stands, a barnacle on the fair face of the village, and a congregating place for all the loafers in the corporation. With such an eye-sore, and its accompanying background of stockyards, sheds and outhouses to greet the chance homeseeker on alighting from the train, it is not surprising that Downers Grove residents charge discrimination by the railway company in favor of the towns mentioned. But underlying the refusal of the company to provide an adequate station, commensurate with the importance of the town as the terminal of the suburban system, is perhaps a good and sufficient reason—the lack of those public improvements necessary to attract residents—sewers and paving. The Burlington company stands ready to invest more money in its equipment here whenever Downers Grove makes itself attractive with public improvements. This is but another reason that may be urged on the taxpayers of the village for the advancement of permanent improvements.

REVIVING "UNCLE TOM'S CABIN."

The classic Auditorium in Chicago is about to be the scene of one of the most remarkable productions ever made in this country—Wm. A. Brady's marvelous rendering of "Uncle Tom's Cabin." This production which has been crowding the New York Academy of music to the doors since December, and is to be sent direct to Chicago, in a special train of ten cars. Only an exceedingly good play could have survived the maltreatment through which the work of Harriet Beecher Stowe has continued profitable. Interpreted by such people as are Wilton Lackaye, the Reb Shemuel of "Children of the Ghetto," Theodore Roberts, the Canby of "Arizona," Odell Williams, the Squire Bartlett of "Way down East," L. R. Stockwell, for twenty years at the head of a "Tom" company of his own; Artie Hall, the celebrated vaudeville; Mrs. Anna Yeamans, the "Cook Lady" of "Why Smith left home;" Mabel Amber, formerly leading woman with James K. Hackett; and Emily Rigi, an emotional actress of recognized ability, the familiar situations must take to themselves new force and the familiar lines new humor and pathos. To these qualities much is said to be added by the singers of an auxiliary corps of 350 colored jubilee shouters. During the engagement at the Auditorium, afternoon performances will be given on Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Decoration day, the former being bargain matinees at especially low prices. Every seat in the house will be reserved, and elevators will run to convey passengers to the balcony.

The people of Downers Grove take a great deal of pride in the appearance of their yards and streets, and much has been done in the way of beautifying through individual effort. If every one would keep his own property looking clean and neat, from the back yard to the middle of the street, the whole neighborhood would soon show the same improvement. There is something contagious about floral gardening. If one person starts to plant shrubs and flower beds other people in the vicinity look on and ask themselves why they cannot do the same thing, and the first thing you know the whole block is being spaded and planted with flower seeds. In this way the beauty of Downers Grove can be enhanced.

SUMMER EXCURSION RATES.

Reduced round trip rates to Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo, Glenwood Springs, Salt Lake City and Ogden in June, July, August and September. Inquire at ticket office for particulars.

Local and Personal Paragraphs.

Try Rang's coffee cake. White Rose gasoline, Nash's. Garden seeds in bulk at Nash's. Officer Nicholson was over from Hinsdale yesterday.

May Fete at the Auditorium, Tuesday evening May 21st.

Guy L. Bush chaperoned a party over to the drainage canal yesterday.

Queen Mary Rolled oats are fine; you had better try a package. At Haller's.

J. A. Nash of Richmond, Ill., visited with his brother and friends here this week.

Diamond Bug Killers, not a poison, but kills all bugs and insects, for sale at Haller's.

P. C. Gallup writes to change the address of his paper from Los Angeles to Redlands, Cal.

Ed Blodgett of Elgin is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Blodgett and old friends.

J. D. McVean will build a brick sidewalk on the Fairmount avenue front of his Maple avenue property.

Daniel Dunn has the contract for building a barn for Levi Mertz on his property at Curtiss and Washington streets.

Mrs. C. V. Carpenter gave a matinee party to a few of her friends Saturday afternoon to see Janice Meredith at the Illinois.

Wm. Straube starts next week for his farm in Hamilton county with a carload of horses bought of Frank J. Prentiss.

Mrs. Wisegarver, mother of A. C. Wisegarver, is here visiting him. Saturday they will leave for a two-weeks trip to Texas points.

Lost—Two \$20.00 bills in post office Wednesday morning. \$10.00 reward will be paid for return to this office, or Mrs. Emil Maydrich.

Geo. H. Howland, who has been employed by the Standard Oil company here for the past year, will leave Friday for his home in Utica, N. Y.

John Rutherford is interested in knowing what became of the Craig fountain fund raised for placing a fountain at Main and Curtiss streets. So are others.

The coffee served at the Episcopal church Bazaar, Saturday, May 4, was Haller's celebrated 35 cent coffee, three and one half pounds \$1; it was good. Better buy some.

Mrs. E. Maydrich of East Grove, was unfortunate in losing \$40 in currency Wednesday morning while down town shopping. The sum lost was in two twenty dollar bills.

Young and old should attend the May Fete at the Auditorium Tuesday next. It will awaken pleasant recollections in the minds of the dear ones who are nearing the end of life's journey. Special attention will be given to the comfort of the elderly visitors.

The Zenda Orchestra will give a concert under the auspices of the ladies' aid society at the Methodist church tonight for the benefit of the church repair fund. Harold J. Green of the Soper school of oratory will give the "arena scene" from Quo Vadis.

The Burlington company has the automatic signal at the Maple avenue crossing in operation. This will materially lessen the danger of crossing the tracks at this point. The device is a system of electrical gongs, connected with the three tracks, which are rung upon the approach of trains.

Sabbath services at the Congregational church. Morning—Christ's answer to the four greatest problems of human life—1. Man's relation to himself; 2. Man's relation to his fellows; 3. Man's relation to God; 4. Man's relation to the future life. Evening—Evolution and its effect upon Christian belief.—3d sermon. Special musical service by the choir.

The regular meeting of the Economic League will be held at the Congregational church, Thursday evening, May 16, at 8 o'clock. The topic of the session is "The Origin and Evolution of Trusts." Mr. Stusser will make the opening address. Members are requested to read portion of magazine devoted to first week review. Members are requested to come loaded for discussion and questions.

The state authorities of Missouri have just allowed the expense bill incurred in the famous Alexander Jester murder trial which was held at New London, Bulls County. Jester, it will be remembered was tried for killing Gilbert Gates, a brother of John W. Gates, the steel magnate. The expenses allowed amounted to \$8,125.46, the second largest bill ever allowed in the state and exceeding the Ducrest case by nearly \$5,000.

Oil. Family Safety. Haller keeps Lipton's teas. Best oil in town at C. S. Hughes. Fancy California fruits at Nash's. Sun bonnets to fit all kinds of heads at Haller's.

Will Stewart and family occupy the Austin house on Curtiss street.

Miss Sophia Parks was the guest of Downers Grove friends Sunday.

Bert Woods spent several days with relatives at Naperville last week.

A full line of moose skin shoes for men, boys and youths, at Haller's.

Don't fail to see the Fire Cracker Drill next Tuesday evening at the May Fete.

Miss Alberta and Vivian Selter are spending a few days with their aunts in the city.

Rev. D. T. Kahl and wife of Savannah, spent Sunday with her brother, Edwin Frank.

Wm. Mergenthal Jr. of Chicago, was here yesterday renewing acquaintances with old friends.

Policeman Kearney found a sum of money on Main street. For further particulars enquire of him.

The farmers south of town say that rain is needed badly. The recent rains here did not reach very far into the country.

It is easy enough to talk about improvements for Downers Grove, but work is required to secure them. That is what counts.

Bishop Fallows gave an address before the Economic league Thursday evening, on the "Present trend of the industrial and commercial systems."

The annual school supper given by the pupils of the Downers Grove high school will occur at the Maple avenue school building tomorrow, Friday, evening.

See, among other things, "The winding of the Maypole," at the Auditorium next Tuesday evening. It will cost you fifteen cents, but will be well worth the money.

Attorney Winchester and D. G. Graham drove over to the county seat Wednesday and enjoyed a pleasant visit with the courteous and accommodating county officials.

WANTED—Girl for general housework; wages \$5.00 per week to competent girl. Address or call upon Mrs. L. P. Conover, S. E. corner 3rd and Lincoln streets, Hinsdale, Ill.

Lost—On the road between Hinsdale and Downers Grove or in Downers ladies gold watch and chain. Slide on chain set with three small stones; watch Elgin gold hands. Liberal reward is offered for return of same to this office.

I wish to state that I suffered a damage by fire on my residence at East Grove on May 8, insured in D. G. Graham's agency and I received the full amount of Mr. Graham and hereby recommend him as an honorable and prompt man in adjusting losses. Wm. Woodson.

Strayed or Stolen—One brown Shetland pony and one bay two-year-old colt. Strayed from farm of J. R. Wallace, 2 miles south of Downers Grove Wednesday, May 15. A suitable reward will be paid for their return or information leading to their recovery. Address J. G. Wallace, Downers Grove.

The subject of the lesson sermon at the Christian Science church, Auditorium of the town hall, LaGrange, next Sunday morning at 10:30, is "Soul and Body." Testimonial meeting Wednesday evening at 8. This being the nearest church of the denomination to Downers Grove, the people are invited to avail themselves of these services.

Assessor Frank A. Rogers has about completed his labors of listing the property of Downers Grove township and together with his assistants, J. E. K. Roblin and Geo. T. Hughes, is preparing his books to return to the county treasurer and supervisor of assessments on June 1st. Real estate assessments were made two years ago. That assessment stands for four years except when there are improvements added.

The Chicago Telephone company has recently been concentrating its efforts in building up the Downers Grove exchange list, and will in the near future have over one hundred telephones installed. About seventy new contracts have already been signed. Of this number about forty are residences and business houses in this village. The remaining thirty are contracts secured from the farmers south of town. Those in town who have new instruments installed are W. J. Haring, F. A. Dawes, Fred Warmuth, C. E. Graves, Levi Hertz, Miller's Hotel and A. M. Campbell.

WEDNESDAY CLUB MEETING.

Election of Officers and Committee—Change Name to Women's Club.

The Wednesday club held its annual and the closing meeting of its season's work at the Downers Grove club rooms yesterday afternoon, and incidentally the final meeting under the title of the Wednesday club. Hereafter the organization will be known as the Downers Grove Women's club. This was deemed advisable in view of the fact that the latter title would carry greater prestige than the old caption and the change in name was adopted unanimously. The reports of the officers of the year's work gave encouraging information and the coming year is expected to disclose still greater results.

The election of officers for the year resulted in the following being chosen: President, Mrs. J. C. White; vice-president, Mrs. Cora Hancock; recording secretary, Mrs. F. A. Dawes; corresponding secretary, Mrs. M. A. Sacksteder; treasurer, Mrs. M. E. Stanger. The chairman of the various committees are as follows: House, Mrs. C. W. Weber; music, Mrs. L. H. Thomas; program, Mrs. S. H. Frey; village improvement, Mrs. E. J. W. Diets; finance, Mrs. Geo. T. Hughes; social, Mrs. C. S. Hughes; membership, Mrs. S. H. Frey.

Following the election of officers the program committee reported on the program arranged for the club's meetings during the coming year, and the organization adjourned for the summer recess to meet the first Wednesday in October.

VILLAGE ETCHINGS.

Quiet rested like a garment over the village. Quiet so intense as to be almost oppressive. Now and then the clamor of the church bells broke the Sabbath stillness with a clanging invitation to worship.

The streets were deserted save here and there groups of two and three walked slowly towards the Lord's house whence the insistent noise of the bells issued. Over all the spring sun shed its warm rays tempered to a welcome coolness by the breeze which swayed the tree branches and raised little eddies of dust along the highroad.

Within the village all was still and in keeping with the day.

On the outskirts of the town in the woods usually so peaceful another scene was enacted. There beneath the wide spreading maples, already tinged with the glory of green, a rude stockade was built and within bunched together were a number of wild bronchos. Their rough sides bore traces of the life of the range and their frightened movements as they surged in an aimless eddy told of the untamed impulse to be free which possessed them.

Around the stockade stood a ring of men and boys, the high collars and natty coats of the city clerks mingling with the overalls and jumpers of the boys of the farm.

Now and again a man, stalwart and sun tanned, would enter the enclosure and with swift circling lariat noose one of the struggling herd. A quick hard pull and the frightened beast with staring eyes and choking throat would be dragged from its mate.

Time and again this scene was repeated and horse after horse was dragged from the corral. Then the ring around the fence circled to the side. Quickly a huge saddle was strapped on the quivering beast, tortured to submission, and a sturdy form sprang into the saddle. "Let her go Adolph" was the cry, followed by a maddened rush then a pause and a series of frantic jumps. "See them go," "Look at him buck," "There he's down," accented as horse and man rolled in the dust. Up again and in the saddle. Around the corral driving the crowd of men before him, ran the horse and still the rider sat unmoved. Down in the gully, beneath overhanging boughs which threatened to unseat the daring rider dashed the pair. Frightened by the noise and tumult and desperate at the unwelcome burden which refused to be shaken off the untamed steed would struggle in frantic endeavor till at last it stood with heaving flanks and drooping head, broken.

All through the day the contest between man and beast continued and still the church bells pealed their unheeded invitation.

Not until the shadows deepened and the sun sank behind the tree tops did the woods regain their quiet.

DOG TAX NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to all owners of dogs within the limits of the village of Downers Grove that the annual dog tax is now due and payable at the office of the village collector, and that the sum of one dollar for each and every male dog and two dollars for each and every female dog must be paid before June 1st.

BERT C. WHITE, Clerk.

FOR SALE.

Two hundred dollars buys 60 feet east front, lot 5, block 26, Princess addition; assessments paid. C. F. Smith, 222 E. 55th street, Chicago.

AROUND THE COUNTY

INTERESTING NEWS NOTES TAKEN FROM EXCHANGES.

Matters of Prominence Concerning Places and People in DuPage County and Surroundings.

The Naperville Lounge company is erecting a new \$8,000 building. They employ one hundred workmen.

August Swanlund of Aurora, has been sentenced to serve six months in the DuPage county jail for sending improper literature through the mails.

Wm. S. Gary will occupy his summer residence at Warranville for the summer, moving back this week. Warranville has three attorneys as residents.

The rural mail route, the farm telephone and the centralization of the country schools are three agencies which are going to do much to change things on the farm.

Another United States prisoner arrived for safe keeping in the county's strong box last Saturday. There are now fifteen in the county jail branded by law as U. S. prisoners.

Over at Aurora they have a milk inspector who makes it interesting for milk peddlers when the milk falls below a certain test. Three of them were recently fined \$10 and costs.

The law firm of Hopkins, Hanchett & Dolph, of Aurora, is to be dissolved and F. G. Hanchett will retire. Mr. Bruce Scott who has been with the firm for some time will have a place in the title; the new firm name will be Hopkins, Dolph & Scott.

Burglars made a raid in LaGrange Park Sunday night. At Isham's green house \$7 was obtained. The thieves gained entrance to Henry Weeman's residence but were frightened away before securing any valuables. An attempt was also made to gain entrance to the Misses Arnold's home.

Following the lead of the Pennsylvania system, the Burlington lines next month will exclude all the vendors of fruit, novels and newspapers from passenger cars which enroute. Passenger stations of leaving books or papers to read will be permitted to walk to a car in which a supply will be kept or wait for certain commodities which the vendors will be allowed to pass through.

A similar system is in existence on the Chicago and Eastern Illinois and the Erie roads, and railway officials declare that other lines are preparing to follow the example, and that in a short time the "train butcher" will have become but an unpleasant memory.

There will be sorrow and mourning among the crow family on May 28, as that is the date set for the big annual hunt by the Nimrods of Elgin and vicinity. It is open to the world and the entrance fee is only 50 cents. Sides will be chosen and the winning side will have the entire money refunded and be given a banquet by the losers. At these hunts there are many hundred crows slaughtered, and neighboring cities have followed the lead set by Elgin a few years ago and also have crow hunts. This sort of hunting just suits the farmers, and they overwhelm the men with the gun with all varieties of favors, including invitations to the best of the substantial houses afford at meal times.

A new suburban depot at LaGrange is an improvement which the residents of that town have been trying to get for a number of years. Their wish has at last been granted by the management of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy road, and work has been begun upon the structure. The new depot might have come sooner had the town officials been willing to make certain improvements on the streets leading to the depot. Until recently town officials and railroad officials were unable to reach an understanding regarding this. The site of the depot is at Stone avenue, and it will make one of three new and handsome structures built by the company within a year for the accommodation of suburbanites. The material to be used is light pressed brick and Bedford stone trimmings.

A NEWS SERVICE UNPARALLELED

There is ample justification for the claim made by the Chicago Record-Herald that its readers enjoy every day in the week, Sundays included, a news service that is without parallel in range and completeness. The reason is obvious—the combination of the varied and extensive facilities of the two great dailies, the Chicago Record and the Chicago Times-Herald. In addition to the independent news facilities of both papers, the Record-Herald receives the complete news service of the New York Herald, the New York Tribune and the Associated Press; and when it is considered that its news columns are supplemented by all the special features so popular in the Chicago Record-Herald and the Chicago Times-Herald, it will be seen that the Record-Herald holds a unique place among the great news papers of the United States.

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