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COUNTY NEWS NOTES

INTERESTING NEWS NOT TAKEN FROM EXCHANGES.

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

While handling a gun on Tuesday, Geo. Fox of Wheaton, accidentally discharged it, the cartridge passing through his foot. He will navigate with crutches for a while.

Judge Pond, of Sycamore, presided at the September term of the county court on Tuesday. Probate business was the order of the day. The term adjourned to Sept. 21, when Judge Batten will be home.

The thirty-sixth annual re-union of the 8th Illinois Cavalry will be held at the Sherman house, Chicago, on Monday, Sept. 18th. A large turnout of the survivors is expected. Many veterans of this regiment are residents of DuPage county.

While Wm. Lindum was hauling a load of workmen from Eola to Wheaton, employees on the electric and while driving along near the Savage farm, a clip on the wheel broke and the wagon ran into the ditch, being overturned and injuring several of the workmen.

A workman employed digging a hole near the ice house at Oswego unearthed a skeleton of an Indian. The bones were decayed but a tomahawk blade and handle were found, also a pipe lettered "Montreal." The relics are now in the possession of Eugene Schmeinholt at Oswego.

The post office department is going over the record of the rural free delivery routes to ascertain in how many instances traffic was interrupted during the springs by roads, and when the records are compiled notices will be sent to the bad routes that unless the highways are improved the free delivery will be abandoned.

The annual reunion of the DuPage county association of old soldiers and sailors will be held at the court house in Wheaton, Saturday Sept. 28th. A royal good time is expected. H. D. Compton, who is in charge of the hospital department says that everyone who was a soldier or sailor or a friend of either will be welcome.

The track of the electric railway between Warrenville and Aurora and the Batavia branch is now completed. The 89 foot steel bridge which will be placed across the DuPage river at Warrenville is aboard the cars there and ready for the workmen. The power house at Batavia is progressing rapidly. The pole setting gang is working east of Wheaton.

Elgin, the home of watches and pretty girls, extends a general invitation to the people of neighboring towns to join in the festivities planned for the week beginning Sept. 23. The celebration will be in the form of a Street Fair and Industrial Carnival. The business men of the city have contributed over \$2,000 to provide amusement for the visitor, and the proceeds of the venture will be donated to the Children's home of Elgin, a most worthy institution.

The electric light plant is crippled, and every night since the moonlight evenings Hinsdale streets have been buried in nocturnal gloom, the dense foliage which in daytime casts comfortable shade over the walks, making the darkness more intense and corresponding of greater danger to the pedestrian. The inability of the authorities to illuminate the streets properly is due to the repairs being made on the big 180 horse power water tube boiler. These repairs were begun at the beginning of the moonlight period, boiler makers from the John Davis Co. being engaged putting in several new lines. The work would have been finished before dark nights came, but by carelessness or incompetency the workmen cracked a header. Continuing the work they cracked another, necessitating 18 new lines, and entailing an additional cost of \$150.

Saturday the board of review finished an herculean task at Wheaton. Since the board held its first meeting in July it has picked up \$594,000 of property unlisted by the assessors. The assessed value of this unlisted taxable property is \$119,000, and the total gain in taxes throughout the country will be approximately \$7500, to be proportioned among the state, county, corporation, school tax, etc. of the various districts. The revenue of DuPage county will be swelled some \$800, and at a cost of about \$300 for the salaries of the board, which consisted of Jas. McClintock, C. D. Bartlett and H. M. Plummer. That the tireless efforts of these gentlemen have not been unfruitful needs no stronger demonstration than the comparison with the last two years records, the present increases being double that made in either 1899 or 1900.

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. Enquire at ticket office for particulars.

RUSHING WORK ON ELECTRIC.

Present Road Through DuPage County the Nucleus of Immense System.

Aurora people hardly realize that within a few months they will be able to get on an electric car at their doors and be shot into the shopping district of Chicago in less time than it takes many Chicago people to go downtown. An effort was being made to get the road in operation by winter and relays of men were kept working night and day. The big steel strike, however, has delayed matters. It is difficult to get rails fast enough, and the cars will probably not be running before April 1 of next year.

The plan is to send cars from Aurora to Fifty second street in forty-five minutes, and deliver them down town at points on the loop twenty-five minutes later. The effect of this on the Aurora retail business houses is problematical. It is feared by some that under the new system more trade than ever will go to the big city. On the other hand it is pointed out that much trade will be brought to Aurora from Warrenville and beyond.

The rate of fare to Chicago has not yet been announced. It will not be over 60 cents, which is the rate now paid by those able to hire a commutation ticket.

The indications are that the present system being operated from Aurora, and which later is to include the roads from Elgin, Batavia and Aurora to Chicago, is but the nucleus of an immense system involving a capital of millions of dollars. The Aurora system will be extended to take in other towns, and the proposed line from Joliet will eventually become an important radiating out of Aurora.

The roadbed is being substantially built, sixteen feet wide, of standard gauge. The rails are down between what is known as the Big Woods and the DuPage river. Gravel ballast has been distributed as far as the river.

The equipment will correspond with the roadbed. The cars and motors are being built under a guarantee of seventy miles an hour, with three stops. These cars will cost \$15,000 each.

There will be no trolley wire between cities. The third rail system will be used. This has been kept a profound secret by the builders of the road because the public prejudice against the "deadly third rail." The cars will run over a private right of way and at grade crossings which will be few in number, the cars will be sent across by their own momentum. -Record-Herald.

PLAN INTERESTING COURSE.

The Downers Grove center of the Economic league is preparing for the opening of the course for the coming season which begins October 10th. Rev. S. P. Dunlap will deliver the opening lecture on that date. His subject will be "The next step in the evolution of good government." The center now numbers over forty members and it is hoped this number will be doubled at the beginning of the year's course. Each member has been assigned some duty for one evening during the year and in this way it is hoped to make the meetings most interesting. The executive committee is working for splendid results and from the interest taken believes they will be attained. The course will cover eighteen meetings and will close with a banquet June 19th. The officers of the center are F. A. Dawes, president; John Rathenford, vice-president; O. M. Searles, secretary; D. G. Graham, treasurer. The executive committee is composed of L. W. Winchester, F. E. Dowe and H. S. Wheeler.

OPENING OF DANCING SEASON.

Prof. Anderson will give an opening reception at Carpenter's hall, over Carpenter's drug store, Saturday evening, Sept. 14th, from 8 to 11 p. m. All arrangements will be made with a view to making this reception a pleasant event. The music will be furnished by Chicago musicians and the evening promises to be a most enjoyable one. Prof. Anderson will personally conduct the classes and receptions this season and he cordially invites all patrons and friends of the school to attend. Admission 35 cents a person. Term of 10 lessons \$2.50. Children's class will open Saturday, Sept. 14, from 2 to 4 p. m.; admission 25 cents. Term of 13 lessons \$3.00. He will give special parties for the children this year.

COLORADO.

That is the title of a very beautiful seventy-two-page book published by the C., B. and Q. railroad. It is most entertaining and informative, besides being illustrated with exceptionally fine engravings. The rates to Colorado are so cheap this year that many will take their vacation there. They should ask the C., B. and Q. ticket agent for this book. Price, 6 cents.

Local and Personal Paragraphs.

Bargains at the Fair. White Rose gasoline, Nash's. Additional local news on fifth page. Thos. Peters was over from Naperville Tuesday on business.

A new line of neckwear, the latest styles and color effects, at Nash's. Jos. Haas and Will Roth will play at the LaGrange band concert tonight.

Lemon, cherry and raspberry phosphate, full pint bottles 10 cents at Gerwig's. Mr. J. B. Thompson of Mayfair visited last week with his aunt, Mrs. F. Belden.

Mr. and Mrs. James Collins and son Loxley were the guests of L. R. Puffer Sunday. Miss Ella Wertzler returned Tuesday from a two weeks visit with her aunt in Chicago.

Mrs. W. R. Wells is spending a month with her father, H. E. Nourse, at Waukegan, Wis. Henry Paul and daughter, Mrs. Jonas Foster, are visiting the Escher family at Leadville, Colo.

Mrs. Somers of California, is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. M. B. Downer and family here. Misses Anna Jackson and Anna Carlson of Chicago, were guests of Mrs. Gust Johnson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hoffman of Millard avenue, spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. J. L. Harden. Miss Bertha Prince will teach in one of the departments in the Downers Grove schools this coming year.

C. B. Blodgett and Frank H. Cramer attended the annual meeting of the board of supervisors at Wheaton Tuesday. Letters from Earl Herring announce his steady improvement. Miss Anna Herring who is with him will remain there for a time at least.

Owing to the illness of her mother, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Roth have moved from Downers Grove and will live at the farm near Lisle for the present. Those desiring to join the Downers Grove foot ball team are requested to be present at a meeting to be held Saturday at 3 o'clock on the foot ball field.

The section hands are preparing the ground for the new brick walk on Main street on the Burlington's right-of-way, which was ordered several months since. Mrs. Johnson has decided to sell her bakery business owing to her contemplated removal from Downers Grove. Anyone wishing to purchase can receive favorable inducements.

The ladies of St. Andrew's Mission will hold a lawn fete Wednesday evening, Sept. 18th, at the home of L. B. Waples. Ice cream, sherberts and cake; also tea, coffee and chocolate will be served. All are invited.

Annual reunion, Soldiers and Sailors association of northern Illinois, at Polo, Sept. 18th and 19th, 1901. Fare and one third for round trip. Tickets on sale Sept. 17, 18 and 19; return limit Sept. 20th. Inquire of ticket agent.

In the interesting city of Aurora, on the 18th of September, at 10 o'clock, in the First Baptist church on Galena street, will open the Woman's Christian Temperance union convention of the 8th district. All Christian and Philanthropic societies and temperance organizations are invited to send fraternal delegates. Every local union is desired and expected to send a full representation.

Miss Laura Hughes entertained the young ladies of the female military company Monday evening. The young ladies are making rapid progress in their drills under the instruction of Frederick A. Dawes and are arranging to give an exhibition of their talents soon. New uniforms will be secured and the company gives promise of being among the best of crack female drill teams.

The Chicago Telephone company has taken a five year lease of the V. Fredenbogen brick office building on Main street; and as soon as the switch board, instruments and other paraphernalia is installed the Downers Grove central exchange will be located there. The name of the new manager has not yet been announced, though in all probability a man will be sent here from the Chicago office. L. E. Traver who has been acting as "trouble man" here will be promoted to manager of the McHenry exchange. Mr. Fredenbogen has moved his office into the building at the corner of Main street and Maple avenue. The telephone people are rushing the alterations on the building preparatory to making the transfer.

Oil. Family Safety. Ice cream salt at Rang's. Haller keeps Lipton's teas. Best oil in town at C. S. Hughes. Mrs. Levi Mertz visited relatives at LaGrange Monday.

Ralph Hoover has a position as clerk in the store of S. F. Haller. Attorney L. W. Winchester is in Canada on a business expedition. Cremona and Childs five cent cigars 7 for 25 cents at Haller's Saturday.

George McNaught will go to the Buffalo exposition tomorrow for a weeks stay. F. M. Nulty and Miss Weiss of Chicago, were guests of Miss Lizzie Kramps Sunday.

Wm. Straube and family are at home from their vacation trip to Lake Geneva. Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Rounds expect to leave soon for a trip to the Buffalo exposition.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sweeney are the parents of a new daughter born last Thursday. Be sure to attend the lawn fete Sept. 18th, corner Warren avenue and Washington street.

Does your collar saw your neck? Get on Nash's exchange list and always wear new ones. J. C. F. Rommeiss entertained a party of Modern Woodman neighbors Tuesday evening.

Walter Dunn, who is in Colorado for his health, is making rapid progress towards recovery. David Holland teaches at Fullersburg, commencing Monday, for the school year—9 months.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Searles and son returned from their vacation outing at Colorado Springs Tuesday. C. M. Liljedahl has again entered the mercantile field having purchased a stock of merchandise at Hinsdale.

Sabbath services at the Congregational church. Morning—"More than conquerors." Evening—"Helps for young Christians." Horace and Harry Courtright, Jr., are visiting their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Courtright at Fowler, Ind., this week.

Mrs. Helen Johnson of Austin, and Mrs. S. Bull of Chicago, were guests of their sisters, Mesdames E. Skinner and J. W. Worley this week. The young ladies drill corps will meet on Monday evening as usual. The drill this week was omitted owing to the absence of the captain.

Mrs. M. Stevens of Chicago, was the guest of Mesdames Saunders, Worley and Skinner last week. The ladies were former school-mates. Bishop Muldoon was entertained at the home of Mr. Cook on Oakwoods avenue while here this week, conducting the St. Mary's confirmation.

FARM FOR SALE.—112 acres within 1 1/2 miles of Downers Grove corporation, good land, fair improvements and on easy terms. Enquire of C. K. Ros. The Downers Grove Fair offers inducements to parents this week in school outfits for their children at low prices. See their large ad on the fourth page.

Miss Emma Skinner resumed her course in music at the American conservatory in Chicago Monday, where she enters the senior class for the piano. Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Easton attended the wedding of his cousin, Edward Easton to Miss Hattie Parson in Chicago Tuesday.

A wordy altercation on Main street Saturday evening came near resulting disastrously for one of the belligerents. An apology smoothed matters over, and bloodshed was averted. Mrs. J. C. F. Rommeiss entertained a party of 13 ladies at luncheon yesterday. Notwithstanding the so-called unlucky number the affair passed off very pleasantly to all attending.

The deposition of F. R. Owens was taken before D. G. Graham, Notary Public, to be used in an important mining claim suit in court in Alaska. Mrs. Harriet Winslow rendered efficient service as stenographer and typewriter for the occasion.

Mrs. C. V. Carpenter and Mrs. W. A. Tope and their children returned Sunday from the Buffalo exposition. They were on the grounds at the time of the assassination of President McKinley and on their way to attend the President's reception at the music hall when the fatal shots were fired. They witnessed the thrilling scenes incident to the capture of the assassin and the removal of the President, but were too far away to see the details of the tragedy.

SIDEWALK ORDINANCE NO. 60.

Ordinance Providing for Brick Walk on East Curtiss Street.

AN ORDINANCE providing for a brick sidewalk on the north side of Curtiss street, between Belden Place and South Washington St., in the village of Downers Grove, county of DuPage and state of Illinois.

Be it ordained by the president and board of trustees of the village of Downers Grove, Illinois.

SECTION 1.—That a sidewalk 482 feet in length shall be constructed on the north side of Curtiss street, between Belden Place and South Washington St., in said village, immediately in front of the following lots and parcels of ground to-wit:

Lots two (2), three (3), four (4), five (5), six (6), seven (7), and eight (8), in block two (2), of Curtiss addition to Downers Grove, county of DuPage and state of Illinois.

SEC. 2.—That the entire cost of said sidewalk shall be levied upon the said lots and parcels of ground.

SEC. 3.—Said sidewalk shall be constructed under the supervision, and to the acceptance of the street commissioner of said village, and the same shall be constructed four feet eight inches in width, of vitrified brick as follows:

The ground upon which sidewalk is proposed to be laid, shall be thoroughly underdrained with good tile, six inches in diameter, and the foundation upon which the walk is to be laid, shall be made of cinders twelve inches in thickness, of the kind made by the Streator Paving Brick company, of Streator, Illinois, or equal in quality, and commonly known as "Repressed Pavers," said brick shall be laid flat in sand and firmly imbedded therein, and shall be placed so that when the walk is completed, the surface shall be reasonably smooth and sufficiently convex as to carry the water falling thereon, off the walk.

SEC. 4.—That the owners of said lots and parcels of ground are hereby required to construct said sidewalk in front of said lots and parcels of ground, agreeable to the provisions of said Section 3 of this ordinance, within thirty days after the publication thereof.

SEC. 5.—Upon default of said owner or owners, to construct that part of said sidewalk immediately in front of their lot, or lots, or parcels of ground, within thirty days after the publication of this ordinance, it shall be the duty of said street commissioner to cause the same to be constructed in behalf of said village at the cost of said owner. The said street commissioner shall certify to a bill of the cost of said sidewalk, constructed by the village of Downers Grove, in front of said lot, showing in separate items the cost of grading, materials, laying down and supervision, and file it in the office of the village clerk, together with a description of said lots, the name of the owner or owners thereof, and the frontage of his respective lot on said sidewalk.

SEC. 6.—The village collector is hereby designated as the officer to collect the special tax herein provided, and to whom warrants for the same shall be directed.

SEC. 7.—The village clerk shall in all respects comply with the provision of an act of the General assembly of the state of Illinois, entitled "An act to provide additional means for the construction of sidewalks in cities, towns and villages," in force July 1st, A. D. 1875. If said act is in delinquency after return of said warrant by the village collector, it shall be the duty of said clerk to make a report of such special tax in writing to the county treasurer and ex-officio county collector, on or before the 31st day of March, A. D. 1902, as required by said act.

SEC. 8.—This ordinance shall be in force from and after its passage and legal publication.

SEC. 9.—All ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Passed September 4th, 1901. Approved September 4th, 1901. CHAS. MOCHEL, President. BERT C. WHITE, Village Clerk.

CIRCUIT COURT JURORS.

Following are the petit jurors summoned for the October term of circuit court: Addison—Fred Mess, Henry Heidemann, Louis Rathje, Herman Banks, Bloomington—Otto Becker, John Gardner, C. F. Hoseman, Chas. Kohrs, Winfield—A. H. Hills, Geo. Benjamin, C. J. Bender, C. H. Hoy, Milton—E. S. Lake, J. B. Grove, John Miller, York—Henry Tedrahn, Downers Grove—Arthur Drew, J. H. Burton, Dick Krueger, Henry Sucher, Jr., J. G. Rohlander, Jr., S. Heineman, Guy Wheeler, W. C. Orchard, Wm. Tinsley, Frank Goodwin, Chas. Mihm, Lisle—Wm. Herbert, Martin Drendel, H. H. Pfister, Naperville—Henry Book, Wm. Munthal, S. G. Biedelmann, H. W. Myers, Calvin Steck, Phillip Hammerschmidt.

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FEASTS CELEBRATED.

LARGE CLASS CONFIRMED MONDAY BY BISHOP MULDOON.

Noted Prelate Assists in Observing the Patronal Feast of St. Mary's Church—Many Attend Impressive Ceremonies.

The patronal service of St. Mary's church—the nativity of the Blessed Virgin—was observed this year with more than usual splendor; the cause being the administration of confirmation to a class of 73 by the Rt. Rev. F. Muldoon, the auxiliary bishop of Chicago. On Sunday morning the pastor, Father Votycka, preached at both masses, taking as his text the dastardly attempt at assassination of our President and drawing pertinent lessons therefrom. The prayers of the congregation were asked for the President's recovery. In the evening Father Nawsocki of St. Mary's, Chicago, celebrated solemn vespers, and Father Dore of West Chicago, one of the best orators of the Chicago diocese, preached a beautiful and eloquent panegyric on the Blessed Virgin.

On Monday morning there were five masses celebrated, the morning devotion ending with a high mass, sung by Father Byrger of Hammond, Ind., at which the choir rendered finely Leonard's mass in E flat. Fr. Growskowski of Kensington, preached at this mass in Polish on the Lord's supper.

In the evening the societies of the parish, together with the confirmation class escorted Bishop Muldoon to the church where, after an impressive address lasting over half an hour, he administered the sacrament of confirmation. Dr. Skulik of LaSalle, preached in Polish at this service.

The Bishop was the guest of the pastor, while Messrs Cook and Schmidt gave their carriage to his disposal. Altogether this celebration was a success and will remain long in the memory of those who participated. The church was filled at all devotions, almost the whole congregation received the Holy Communion, and Monday evening even standing room was scarce long before the beginning of the service. The decorations, thanks to the ladies and young ladies of both nationalities, profuse and tasteful.

CONTESTS AT LEMONT.

Horse pulling matches, pony races and a rug of war between Jake Klein and Tom Ludrick drew a large crowd of sports to the Lemont race track Tuesday afternoon. The principal events were the cause of considerable money changing hands. In the tug of war, which was for \$10 a side, Klein won over Ludrick. In the team pulling match Harry Liebunguth's boys and a pair owned by Tom Hommerding contested for honors. Liebunguth's team was defeated by having a too heavy handicap. A wagon was loaded with stone the wheels chained and blocked. Hommerding's horses were to pull the wagon over a 3-inch block, while Liebunguth's were to pull over a 4 1/2-inch block. Following these events several exciting pony races between Roy Klein's pony and ponies owned by Frank Chivers and Ed. Cheese. Roy won all the races which were three in number.

AN EXCELLENT APPOINTMENT.

Gov. Yates seems to be getting his share of criticism in the performance of his official duties. The trouble seems to be that there are not enough offices to go around. The associate editor can hear testimony to the worthiness of one of his appointees on the Lincoln park board, B. A. Kennedy. We have been acquainted with Mr. Kennedy for over 25 years and know him to be capable, conscientious and earnest and no suspicion of bribery or "hoodlumism" will attach his acts or record. He is general superintendent of the Deering Harvesting works and a busy man but does not neglect coming to Downers Grove quite frequently to visit his mother who resides here. The appointment came to him unexpectedly. In politics Mr. Kennedy is a democrat.

WILL HUFF KILLED.

D. J. Huff received the intelligence Tuesday of the death of his son, Will Huff, at Jacksonville August 21st. The young man came to his death in an accident on the Chicago and Alton railroad there on that date. He was on his way from Michigan to Winslow, Arizona, to take a position. Owing to the absence of means of identification on the body his father was not notified until yesterday. The young man was 24 years old. The remains were buried at Jacksonville. D. J. Huff will leave tomorrow for that point to learn the details of his death and remove the body to Yorkville for burial.