

DOWNERS GROVE REPORT

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SPEAKERS EXTOL WASHINGTON

JUDGE CARTER AND OTHERS PAY HONOR TO FOUNDER OF NATION.

Fifth Annual Patriotic Banquet Held at Auditorium Friday Evening—Several Hundreds Hear Address.

Patriotism, loyalty and pleas for good citizenship characterized the addresses made at the fifth annual banquet given under the direction of the Methodist Episcopal church last Friday evening. The responses to all the toasts, the music and the recitations all breathed the spirit of the love of country, and pointed out methods for the building up of characters such as Washington, whose birthday the banquet commemorates.

Three hundred citizens crowded the Auditorium, over two-thirds of whom took seats at the five long tables when the banquet was announced.

An immense American flag covered the front of the stage. Resting on easels at either side of the proscenium were pictures of Washington and Lincoln draped with flags and bunting. At each of the tables the decorations were in patriotic colors. Centerpieces of red and white flowers with ferns formed the principal features. Menus and programs in patriotic colors, with pictures of Washington on the first page, were beside each plate.

Following a short invocation by Rev. Charles Reynolds the supper was served. The speakers' table occupied the front of the hall, while the guests were seated at tables at right angles to it.

Rev. Truman K. Green presided as toast master and introduced the various speakers. Judge Orin E. Carter of the Cook county court was the first speaker. He pleaded for a better class of citizens; men who were firm in the observance of law, not only in great things but in little matters. He spoke of the duty of citizens in public affairs and deplored the evils of evading taxes. Good citizenship, he said, should have but one standard for business, religion and public affairs. These things were necessary in a Christian citizen's character; a belief in home, love of country and a belief in a divine being. Woman's influence, he thought, had much to do with promoting good citizenship, for without their guiding hand the country was doomed.

Mrs. Myra H. Kasenzel spoke of "The Ideal Patriot," portraying the best type of American patriots since the founding of the republic. "What Washington Meant" was told by F. A. Dawes. He spoke of the reverence in which Washington was held by his countrymen and how he in dying missed the demonstrations of loyalty to their country and to the principles enunciated by himself, which now characterize the people of the nation which he founded.

Rev. John N. Hall spoke on "Washington." He delivered a most patriotic address, extolling the great Washington, who made liberty possible, recalling his many virtues and stirring the blood of the people before him with his closing eulogy to the American flag.

Rev. T. K. Gale of Chicago gave several readings, embracing both dramatic and humorous selections. A scene from "The Lady of the Lake" won special applause. Miss Anna Roe and Chas. K. Roe gave a duet, "The Spirit of '76." Vocal solos by Miss Mabel E. Menner and a violin selection by James I. Rounds were other pleasing features of the evening.

Adding the exercises every person in the building arose and joined in singing "America," with an enthusiasm which demonstrated their patriotic feeling. Dr. Reynolds dismissed the audience with a benediction.

OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO WOMEN.

It is doubtful if any other newspaper in the United States caters so successfully to the varied interests of the home as does the Chicago Record-Herald. There is a fashion article in every issue; a department devoted to interesting items of news; variety concerning matters in which women have special interest. Miss Qu. Viva's "Woman's Beautiful" column, in which questions concerning the toilet, etc., are answered and useful hints are given; "Meals for a Day," including menus and recipes for the three meals every day; an installment of a high-grade serial story; and in addition the "Stories of the Day" column on the editorial page. S. E. Kiser's humorous "Alternating Currents," the boys' and girls' page and Dr. Withrow's article on the Sunday school lesson in the Friday issue; also entertaining and valuable book reviews, and in the Sunday issue numerous special fashion, household and other articles, all very interesting to the sex, including the best full page of fashions appearing in any newspaper; "How to Be Healthy and Beautiful," by Mrs. Henry Lyman, "A Face for the Home Dressmaker," and two full pages of beautiful colored reproductions of the latest fashions.

FURNITURE COMPANY ELECTS OFFICERS.

Stockholders Elect Directors at a Meeting Held Last Tuesday Evening.

The stockholders of the Downers Grove Furniture company held a meeting in Carpenter's hall Tuesday evening and organized by electing a board of nine directors. Over sixteen hundred shares were represented. The directors chosen were W. J. Herring, L. B. Genser and E. H. Worleferstein for three years, Capt. T. S. Rogers, Dr. W. A. Tope and G. H. Bunge for two years and D. G. Graham, Jake Klein and Dr. J. B. Dicus for one year. The stockholders voted to increase the capital stock from \$25,000 to \$100,000 and authorized the directors to take the necessary steps. The first issue of stock having been all subscribed except 150 shares. The following officers were chosen by the directors: President, Dr. W. A. Tope; vice-president, L. B. Genser; secretary, G. H. Bunge; treasurer, D. G. Graham; assistant secretary, Bert C. White. Committees were appointed on finance, factory, sales and development. It is the intention to move the co-operative Upholstering company's plant to Downers Grove and commence business immediately. There are 150 shares of the original issue remaining unsold which may be secured at the Farmers' and Merchants' bank until Saturday at the original price.

CASS ITEMS.

Roy Andrus has started for California. Buben Littleford is making a business trip to Indiana this week. Mrs. Emma Allen of Elgin was visiting her mother, Mrs. Isaac Cleveland, the first of the week. Master Orville Chilvers now wears a handsome gold watch as a reward for selling a few boxes of medicine. W. J. Binyard, a former resident of our town but now of Archer, Iowa, is the proud father of a nine pound boy at their home.

Farmers should insure with the Downers Grove Farmers' Mutual Insurance company at Laoc and get full protection at the actual cost. Albert Schiata of the west part of town got stuck in a snow drift last Monday morning going to the station with the milk, but Albert is a hustler and got to the station on time.

Rev. Mr. Parker of Cass and a roommate of his had a little experience with a blizzard last Saturday evening, losing their way on their road to Cass but arrived in time to preach on Sunday.

If the members of the Pansy club do not attend their meetings more regular the organization will soon be on the bum. Some of the prominent members think a bowling alley ought to be erected for use of its members.

What Cass seems to be in need of at present is a bureau of general information and a ladies' weekly visiting club. We suggest that the ladies meet at Chester Heart's Friday evening for the purpose of organizing a society to arrange weekly visits in Cass and vicinity. The bureau of information could be arranged later. Come everyone. A hearty welcome to all.

LOW RATES TO THE NORTHWEST.

Every day from Feb. 15 to April 30, 1903, the Burlington route will sell one-way tickets to many hundreds of points west and northwest at extraordinarily low rates. There never was, and perhaps never will be, a better opportunity to visit the great and prosperous region lying west of the Rocky mountains. On certain dates one-way tickets at proportionately low rates will be on sale to many points to Minnesota, North Dakota and Manitoba. On certain other dates round trip tickets at one fare plus \$3 will be on sale to sections of Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado, South Dakota and Wyoming. Ask the C. & N. ticket agent for our special folder telling about the cheap rates and our trains to the west and northwest.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

Headquarters Maple camp, Modern Woodmen of America, Downers Grove, Illinois. Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom has deemed it best to remove from this sphere the beloved wife of our neighbor, W. A. Tope, now therefore be it resolved, that neighbor Tope has the heartfelt sympathy of this camp, collectively and individually, with prayers for that consolation that comes from a firm faith in Him that doeth all things well and be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to neighbor Tope and a copy be spread upon the minutes of this camp and published in the Downers Grove Reporter. Alford H. Barnhart, Clarence Foster and Chas. Wells, Committee.

I want to buy four farms; describe A. Reppert, 40 Dearborn street, Chicago.

Local and Personal Paragraphs

White Rose gasoline, Nash's. Cook's Flaked Rice at the Fair. Best ice pie at Rang's 10 cents. Best oil in town at Curtis & Hart's. Mrs. Eleanor Kennedy is visiting her brother in Chicago.

Woodmen meeting tonight. Come out and help do the work. Judge Blodgett, who has been critically ill, is slowly recovering. F. J. Prentiss returned from his Michigan trip the first of the week.

Mrs. S. C. Schindler returned from her Pennsylvania visit Monday. C. W. Ballard of Austin spent Sunday with his aunt, Mrs. F. Holden.

Mrs. James Hamilton of Phoenix, Arizona, is a guest of Mrs. Brandenburg.

Max H. Schachner's father and mother came out from the city Sunday for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Brandenburg entertained the Oakwood Eucher club Thursday evening.

FOR SALE—100 foot lot on Gilbert avenue. Must be sold within 30 days. Enquire of E. D. Parker.

Quite a number of our people attended Miss Stone's lecture at the Woman's Temple in Chicago last Monday.

Dr. J. B. Burns of Payette, Idaho, is here visiting his brother, James M. Burns, and will remain several weeks.

St. Rev. C. B. Anderson, coadjutor bishop of the Chicago diocese visited St. Andrew's Episcopal church yesterday.

Julius Serres who recently purchased the Wisnager property on Boston avenue moved his family out from the city yesterday.

The Knights and Ladies of the Macabees entertained a large number of invited guests last night with a program and dance at Carpenter's hall.

Master Marshall and Henry Field with their governess spent Monday with W. S. Bryan and his niece, Miss Annie D. Martin, and had a good time riding and driving through the woods.

The Woman's club children's day program will be repeated at the club room this evening at 8 o'clock and all are invited to attend. There will be no admission fee at the door, but a silver collection will be taken.

The Royal neighbors of America spent Tuesday evening visiting Martha Washington camp, E. N. A., at Naperville. They received a royal welcome and had a very pleasant time. Two candidates were initiated and a generous lunch was served.

The first prize for the best exhibition of rural school work in DuPage county was awarded to Miss Josephine Corcoran, teacher of Clarendon Hills school. The exhibition was held at Wheaton court house, Feb. 18, 19 and 20, and was most excellent. It consisted of written papers showing the work done in the different grades, a fine display of maps in ink and water colors, essays and manual training work.

This office will issue the annual catalogue of the Downers Grove nursery of A. B. Austin this week. This nursery is constantly growing in the variety of desirable trees, shrubs and plants offered for sale, as well as in increasing custom, by handling only the most reliable stock. This year the catalogue is more comprehensive than previous editions and contains a number of lithograph plates showing attractive fruits and flowers.

The mention of the fact that Tom Miner's Bohemian Burlesque will be the attraction at Hopkin's theater for the week commencing Sunday matinee March 1 is sufficient guarantee to insure an excellent performance, for this aggregation has for so long a time stood as one of the premiers of its class. They will this season present a somewhat different style of performance than they have heretofore given. It will consist of a complete musical farce in two acts and is entitled "A Bohemian Beauty." There will be interspersed during the farce several good specialty acts.

The Modern Woodmen entertained its members and a large number of invited guests Monday evening with a program and dancing. The program opened with a piano solo by Miss Emma Skinner. She was followed by Mrs. Chas. Coleman, who gave several clever recitations. Miss Susie E. Wickel gave a piano solo and a team of black face comedians from Chicago gave a sketch. J. B. Huling made a short address on the benefits of woodcraft. Following the program refreshments were served and the remainder of the evening given over to dancing. During the evening Harry Snyder entertained the guests with a phonographic concert.

National Light oil at Nash's. California Toka grapes at Gerwig's. Additional local news on fifth page. James P. Mitchell has been ill during the past week.

Fresh fish every Wednesday and Friday during lent at Klein's. Clara Coe of Ottawa, Ill., visited her grandparents over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Russell are making an extended visit at Streator. Frank C. Hewitt of Aurora was a visitor at D. G. Graham's last week.

Miss Kimball of Chicago has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. H. Clamplitt, this week.

Miss Edith Graham attended the lecture given by Miss Stone in the city on Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Huntington were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Willard of Chicago, Sunday.

Mrs. W. C. Bartle, Mrs. W. C. Stanley and Mrs. H. I. Snyder have been on the sick list the past week.

You never had a fine fitting shirt until you wore Wilson Bros'. Sold by V. Thelin; and every thing else in the line.

The monthly meeting of the Ladies' Library association will be held in the library room next Tuesday, March 2, at 2:30 o'clock.

Next Sunday morning the pulpit at the Baptist church will be filled by Rev. W. H. Head of Chicago. There will be evening service.

Wagons from the Hinsdale laundry call Monday for bundles and return Thursday. Service the best and prices reasonable. Note changes in ad on eighth page.

The Royal Neighbors of America held a social meeting Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. James Godfrey. Refreshments were served and a very pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

A. C. Drew will hold a public sale of his personal effects at his farm, five miles south of Downers Grove, Friday, Feb. 27, commencing at 10 o'clock. The property consists of 83 head of cattle, 7 head of horses, 30 acres of standing timber and a quantity of agricultural implements and household goods. Jas. Drew is the auctioneer and Jas. Raby the clerk.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, holds regular Sunday services at the Masonic hall at 10:45 Subject for March 1st, "Man." Sunday school for the children at noon. This church holds regular Wednesday evening testimonial meetings at 8 p. m. in Masonic hall. Reading room for the benefit of the public open every Wednesday afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock at 103 Gilbert avenue. All are cordially invited.

Next week Thursday evening, March 5, the closing entertainment in the winter entertainment course will be given by the Slayton Grand Concert company. This company has a national reputation and its engagement cost the committee more money than any other one in the course and it is expected to be the best that has been given. Those who have not season tickets should at least attend this entertainment. Tickets are on sale at the drug stores, D. G. Graham's office and at the door. Remember this entertainment course is for the benefit of the public and furnished at actual cost.

Services will be held in the Congregational church next Sunday morning at 10:45 o'clock. Preaching by the pastor, Rev. Charles Reynolds; subject, "A Talk About the Stars." Sunday school at 11 a. m.; Christian Endeavor meeting at 6:45 p. m. in the church parlors. A church prayer meeting is held every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, the subject of reference being the Sunday school lesson for the following Sunday. All are welcome to these services. In the evening the church will be closed to unite in a union service at the M. E. church, where Rev. Dr. Terry of the Biblical Institute will speak upon "The Preparation of the World for the Coming of Christ." All are invited.

Twenty-five large trolley cars, each of which will run, if need be, at the rate of 180 miles an hour, are being built at the Stevenson Car Works at Elizabeth, N. J., for the Aurora, Elgin and Chicago Traction company of Illinois. These cars will be a triumph of mechanical and building art. They will cost the company \$17,000 each and will be a delight for the passengers who will ride in them. The sliding seats are of wicker-work, the windows large and the platforms are vestibuled with a double thickness of plate glass. The cars are 47 feet long over the bumpers and 39 over the bodies, the length being chosen so as to enable the cars to make the turns of the union loop in Chicago. Each car will seat 56 passengers. Heat and light will be electric. The value of the 25 cars will be about \$425,000.

DIED SITTING IN HER CHAIR.

Mrs. Carrie Sheehy Found Dead by Neighbors Monday—Bright's Disease.

Sitting in a chair by a table on which in sleep, Mrs. Carrie Sheehy, aged 90 years, was found dead at her home on Prince street by neighbors Monday. Mrs. Sheehy, who had been in ill health for some time, has lived alone since the death of her husband seven years ago. Last Friday she was treated by Dr. W. W. Gourley, who warned her of the danger of being alone in her condition of health, which was then critical, Bright's disease, with other complications, was her ailment. Her nephew from Chicago was here last Sunday visiting her, and she was about the house that day. Monday the neighbors failed to see her around, and Mrs. Valentine Wunder, who lives opposite, called during the morning, but did not gain admittance, as no one answered her knock at the door. Shortly after noon she again called without result. Looking through a window she saw the aged woman sitting in a chair. Calling her husband they forced the door and entering found the woman dead. Dr. Gourley was called and pronounced death due to Bright's disease, with hypertrophy of the heart as a contributory cause. The remains were taken to Graceland yesterday afternoon, where they will be placed in a vault, pending the return of a sister who is visiting in England. The funeral will be held when the sister returns. Mrs. Sheehy has lived in Downers Grove since 1888. Her husband, Terence Sheehy, died in June, 1895. She had no children and lived alone.

UNION SERVICE SUNDAY EVENING.

Next Sunday evening the Congregational, Baptist and Methodist churches will unite in a union service at the Methodist church. Dr. B. M. Terry of the Methodist Theological Seminary at Evanston will give an address on the general topic, "The Preparation of the World for the Coming of Christ." Dr. Terry holds one of the most important chairs in the seminary, is a scholar of wide reputation and the author of numerous books. This address is the first of a series of addresses by distinguished scholars. The second will be given about a month later by some distinguished man representing the Congregational church. The purpose of this special series of addresses is to furnish a background for the large class who are studying the Life of Christ under the leadership of Prof. Searles. The public is most cordially invited to hear Dr. Terry next Sunday evening. Prof. Terry will also preach at the Methodist church next Sunday morning.

A NEW BOOK ABOUT NEBRASKA.

The best and most comprehensive work on Nebraska ever produced has just been issued by the Burlington Route. It has 48 finely illustrated pages packed full of just the sort of information a prospective settler wants. In addition there is a large sectional map of the state which is accurate in every detail. There is no country under the sun where men of push and energy have a better chance to succeed. It is a paradise for "good settlers," for they will not be compelled to rent land in Nebraska. Send today for a copy of the book. No charge. P. S. Postle, Passenger traffic manager, 308 Adams street, Chicago.

SCHOOL REPORT.

Following is the report of the various rooms in the Downers Grove schools for the month of January, 1903:

TEACHERS	PRESENT	ABSENT	TOTAL	PERCENT
Mabel E. Menner	16	29	45	35.5
Sadie A. Thompson	17	28	45	37.8
Agatha Sweet	20	25	45	44.4
Maudie Cobb	19	26	45	42.2
Phyllis E. Allen	19	26	45	42.2
Maudie L. Nicholson	23	22	45	51.1
Bertha Prince	22	23	45	48.9
Susie B. Wickel	23	22	45	51.1
Grace E. Stover	23	22	45	51.1
Cassia B. Graves	25	20	45	55.6
Elsie Patterson	15	30	45	33.3
Totals	227	299	526	43.1

O. M. Searles, Supt.

HANGED HIMSELF IN A CELL.

SAMUEL TOWNSEND OF HINSDALE HUNG HIMSELF WHILE CONFINED IN JAIL.

Samuel G. Townsend, aged about 30 years, born in York township, but whose parents now reside in Hinsdale, hung himself in an unoccupied cell in the jail house on the corner of John Street, three miles south of Hinsdale on Tuesday, "Sammy," as he was familiarly called, was a painter by trade and his occupation was struck on the head by a nail falling from a building above which struck him on the head by a nail. He has been in the jail since he was arrested on Sunday last. He was taken to the jail on Sunday last. He was taken to the jail on Sunday last. He was taken to the jail on Sunday last.

Mr. Townsend passed the time Tuesday morning, taking his children to school. Noticing the siding gone he went to investigate. Seeing tracks in the snow leading from the house to the barn where he found a man hanging by a rope from a cross beam. The following note was pinned to the wall where he was hanging by an open blade of a Jack-knife:

"To whom this may concern: I am Samuel Gilbert Townsend, of Hinsdale, and I have tried to be a good fellow but I guess I have failed. Friends of Hinsdale please don't look down on my folks for what I have done, and furthermore, I want to add that my mother, Stevie G. Townsend, is pure gold, and any friends of mine in Hinsdale that will please visit him and my father, mother and sister. I will speak a good word for them if there is a heaven. Sammy." The coroner's jury found that he hung himself while temporary insane.

Whiston people have been "telling tales." A real estate dealer in that county offered a prize a few weeks ago for the best name for Whiston to be used in advertising the town. The Whistonites responded in chorus. They called their town all sorts of names—and many of them uncomplimentary. The real estate man chose a committee to award the prize for the best name. President M. J. Judge, Judge Brown and Frank H. Spurgeon. When the real estate man announced his plan his friends "gazed" him. Friday he published a full list of the names submitted in competition to arrange himself on the job. Now Whistonites are horrified over some of the suggestions contained in the names. They object to being called "gumps," "unpleasant," "cranks," "dead ones," and to have their town spoken of as "a place to get off trains."

The grand jury for the March term of circuit court is announced to consist of Whiston March 2. Following are the names of the petit jury summoned for March 9: Addison—Wm. Smith, Jr.; Bloomington—C. H. Hagg, Henry Robinson; Wayne—Herman Schmidt, Fred Gioe, Dyer Park, E. B. Stone, Wisnau; James Campbell, George Jordan, Paul Goetz, E. F. Wertz, E. A. Hayward, E. Pennell, Chas. Bell, Milton—F. W. Smith, John Colvin, A. T. Ansell, York—Orie Stenschild, C. G. Schroeder, W. H. Meyer; Downers Grove—Geo. Fauthner, J. E. Joseph, G. M. Bagan, Geo. Oster, Otto Francis, G. E. Ruckley, A. E. Whitely, Rockwell Sayre, J. A. Hall, Louis—G. W. Rathbone, Adam Dieler, Jr., Henry Dieler, C. H. Andrus, Naperville—E. F. Korman, John Korman, Frank Hein.

One Joe Webb, who was incarcerated in the Yorkville jail on a charge of assault, awaiting the April grand jury, got tired of being alone. Tuesday evening while Sheriff Von was away from home, he with great prisoner his escape. He had been allowed in the corridor as it was a warmer place than the prisoner's room. Mrs. Von went to take the Sheriff's wife after supper, and Webb planned to wait and wait in the door to hold them in. As he did so he branched her to one side and in a moment had gone through the doorway and out into the street. An alarm was given and search was made for the escaped prisoner, but up to this hour he had not been apprehended.

Harry T. Chandler, one of the best known men in Hinsdale township, and familiarly known to all as "Daddy Harry" died at the home of his brother, S. S. Chandler, on Joliet street, this morning of consumption, aged 65 years, 3 months and 1 day. Deceased was among the best of the first white child born in the township, having first seen the light of day near Warrenville on the 10th of June, 1837. He never married and for the twenty years he had made his home in Hinsdale with his wife, Mrs. Chandler, and his brother, S. S. Chandler, who with one child, Mrs. Lillian, of Ames, Iowa, are the surviving relatives, with the exception of some of their children.

A number of the teachers of the various schools in the Downers Grove district are attending the annual meeting of the Illinois State Teachers' Association at Springfield.

The regular March meeting of the village board will be held Monday.

NOTEL FOR SALE OR RENT.

The American House at Naperville is for rent or sale on easy terms. Good chance for right party. For particulars address Theo. Costello, 21 Main street, Naperville.

The regular March meeting of the village board will be held Monday.