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Bush Is For The People

Takes Decided Stand Against the Bosses and Gavel Rule.

Was Active in House Reorganization Thursday. Declares Speaker Miller's Boondoggle Charges Will Be Proven Only a Subterfuge.

Events at Springfield have attracted an unusual amount of attention the past week and the people of this senatorial district may be pleased at the position taken by Representative Bush in the fight the loyal "97" put up for their constitutional rights in demanding and enforcing their demands for a roll call on the Lindy amendments to the Mueller bill. Representative Bush took a prominent part in the proceedings which compelled the speaker to cease

ANNUAL SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT.

Downers Grove Schools to Give Music and Program From "Song of Hiawatha."

It is now almost fifty years since the poet Longfellow wrote "The Song of Hiawatha." But, so far as is known, his beautiful rendering of ancient Indian legends was never brought to the notice of any Indian tribe in their own home until about five years ago. During the summer of 1899 L. O. Armstrong, a Canadian traveler and scholar, invited a number of Ojibway Indians who were camping near his summer home on the shores of the Georgian bay into his house to hear Indian stories. They came, filled his house and stayed almost till daybreak, a delighted, critical and appreciative audience. They were hearing for the first time



REPRESENTATIVE GUY L. BUSH

Who Was Prominent Among the "Ninety-Seven" Who Wouldn't Stand for Miller's Gavel Rule.

gaveling amendments through when a majority of the house members were opposed to such despotic action. He also took an active part in the reorganization of the house when Miller fled, and was made a clerk. As such officer he gathered in all the original documents incident to the reorganization. Discussing the matter Sunday, Representative Bush said: "We Shermanites have been jeered at for almost four months by the 'organization' forces. The last straw came when Miller sought to force an obnoxious measure down our throats by the use of the gavel. We could not and would not, neither will we in the future, stand for the gavel. All we have asked for is our constitutional rights, and there is plenty of brains and muscle ready to assure us of those rights."

Continuing, Representative Bush said: "The fight over the traction question has brought to the surface one of the pledges Speaker Miller made previous to his election to Lorimer and the men who put him in power, in fact the main one—that no traction legislation was to be passed by the house at this session of the legislature. The Shermanites of the house and the conservative democrats have certainly placed the so-called organization, or Lorimer-Yates combination, strictly on the toboggan slide. Miller has proven himself to be but a 'tool' in the hands of the 'organization,' but through the efforts of the 'insurgents' the people are to be protected. Judge Sherman should have all the credit and is today a bigger man than all of them. Miller in all probability will be impeached and a Shermanite placed in the chair as speaker to preside during the balance of the session, which will not adjourn sine die according to the ideas of the organization without any traction legislation,—wherein the 'boondoggle' applies."

Representative Bush gave it as his opinion, as it is the opinion of nearly every one, that the cry of "boondoggle" regarding the Mueller bill is but a subterfuge raised by the organization bosses to defeat the measure. Mr. Bush thinks that on the ballot recount in Lorimer's district the "boss" will be ousted. Notwithstanding Lorimer's backing of Hanney, Mr. Bush thinks he cannot be re-elected circuit judge.

Throughout Mr. Bush's home town, and in fact the entire county, he is being praised for the part he took in the recent events in the house. Men like Mr. Bush proved in the emergency of last week that they were true representatives of their constituents and courageous upholders of the rights and dignity of the legislative body to which they belonged.

a poetic version of their own legends, the story of their tribal hero Manabojho and the myths that had been told about their campfires for generations. It is a well known fact that Longfellow gathered his material from the books of Mr. Schoolcraft, an Englishman who married an Ojibway maiden, learned and spoke the language of his bride and became an adopted member of the tribe. At the suggestion and by the help of Mr. Armstrong these Ojibway Indians (one of the most intelligent and progressive Indian families on the continent) undertook to act a drama arranged from Hiawatha. The first public performance was given in 1900 and it has been repeated every year since that time. About five full blooded Ojibways take part in the play, the most of them being young men. The characters of Hiawatha and Minnehaha have always been taken by members of the royal family of Ojibway chiefs.

The Ojibways have many beautiful melodies, handed down from the remote past. These are said by the best musical critics to be unlike anything known to the musical world and fully equal in grandeur to the best works of old world composers. Some of these melodies have been harmonized and no doubt more of them will be. Frederick R. Burton, an author and musical composer of Yonkers, N. Y., has been making a close study of Ojibway music for some years. This gentleman spends his summers near the Ojibway reservation and is one of the managers of the musical Indian drama of Hiawatha, as given by these Indians at their home.

The schools of Downers Grove are preparing an entertainment in which some five or six of these original Indian melodies will be given, together with such costume and setting as may be possible to their limited means and resources. It is hoped that the friends of the schools who wish to enjoy this unique entertainment will refresh their memories by reading again "The Song of Hiawatha." While nothing like the beauty and charm of the outdoor performance can be hoped for indoors, it is not too much to say that a most delightful surprise is in store for all who patronize the entertainment. The Downers Grove Schools have never disappointed their friends. They hope to more than please them this time. Full program next week.

Orders for Pennsylvania and Standard oils and gasoline may be left at Bush & Smonson's drug store. Muzzey will promptly fill your cans. Telephone 421.

Local and Personal Paragraphs

White Rose gasoline, Nash's.

Cook's Flaked Rice at the Fair.

Best oil in town at Curtis & Heartts'.

White lead, dry colors, oil and varnish at the Fair.

M. B. Downer made a trip to Mt. Vernon, Iowa, this week.

The best fried cakes at the baker's Fresh every day. Telephone 234.

Mrs. F. N. Bond returned Monday from Florida and is now visiting in LaGrange.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Miller returned the first of the week from a two weeks' visit in Cincinnati.

Mrs. Arthur Gregory and son have returned from a week's visit with relatives in Indiana.

Geraniums, pansies and all varieties of choice bedding plants may be secured at C. S. Foote's greenhouses.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy L. Bush will occupy the McVean residence at the corner of East Maple and Fairmount avenue.

Capt. and Mrs. J. A. Kearney left Downers Grove this week. Mrs. Kearney will visit at Spring Lake, Mich.

For Sale—Cheap. "Quick Meal" gasoline range, only used few months, good as new. 73 East Curtiss street.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Stanley left Friday for Salt Point, N. Y., where they will spend the summer with their son.

T. H. Smith of Kansas City and Miss Mae Holman of LaGrange were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Barber and family Sunday.

Robert J. Darley leaves Saturday for Pittsburg, where he will take his new position as traveling freight agent of the Burlington.

Mrs. Hattie Law has rented the Roe cottage on East Curtiss street and will occupy it this week. Miss Anna Roe will have her studio at 131 Carpenter street.

John H. Spiking of King City, Mo., was here this week looking after his property interests and visiting James Sucher and R. M. Heavenor, former army comrades.

Mrs. H. H. Woelfersheim gave a party for her daughter, Henrietta, Friday from 4 until 8 o'clock, at which a large number of the latter's little friends were pleasantly entertained with games and other amusements.

Call on Gollan & Wolf at Fuller's greenhouse for bedding plants. They have a nice assortment of geraniums, coleus, pansies, ageratums, verbenas and heliotrope; also vegetable plants by the dozen or hundred. Prices reasonable.

The funeral of the late Austin Richards, who was a well known former resident of Downers Grove twenty years ago, was held here Tuesday morning, burial being made in the village cemetery. Mr. Richards' death occurred at a Quincy hospital Sunday.

Complaints are numerous regarding the large number of dogs running at large in the village. Ladies and children especially are annoyed by this evil and are often afraid to go out on the street for fear of being attacked by the curs, many of which are vicious and absolutely dangerous.

F. O. Rang states that owing to his recent illness he was left somewhat deaf and consequently fails to hear parties calling to him when passing in the wagon. This explanation is made so that patrons will not think he is neglecting his customers. He would suggest that the bakery cards be put in the windows.

The approaching entertainment to be given by the Roundtree Historic club of Chicago promises to be a pleasant feature in the spring amusements. The club is under the leadership of H. B. Roundtree of the Chicago school of oratory. Mr. Roundtree's impression is the gathering of a cast of intellectual conversationalists is preferable to an aggregation of actors. Two comedies will be presented, "Fascination" and "The Usual Way." Billy Lawson is in the cast.

Invitations were issued Monday for a May party and cotillion to be given in Carpenter's hall Saturday evening. The affair will be all the name implies. Summer costumes for the ladies and shirt waists and duck trousers for the men will be in order. The early part of the evening will be given over to a program of dances, to conclude with a cotillion which will begin at 10:30. Numerous pretty and novel figures have been arranged for the German and the favors will be appropriate. In addition to the dance, tables will be reserved in the anterooms for cards, and frappe will be served. Music will be furnished by the Ideal orchestra. Howard P. Jones, Wm. H. Blodgett and Hugh M. White have charge of the arrangements.

National Light oil at Nash's.

California Toka grapes at Gerwig's.

Additional local news on fifth page.

A full line of Devos's ready mixed paints at the Fair.

Pumper-nickel every Tuesday and Saturday at Raog's. Telephone 234.

Darwin Kimball has moved from the village to the farm southwest of Downers.

A. R. Heckman was here Tuesday arranging for some repairs on his property here.

Dennis Delaney has moved his family out from the city and occupies his East Grove property.

Mrs. John Soergel of Chicago was the guest of the family of her brother, William Fraenkel, Sunday.

Hugh M. White leaves today for Plankinton, South Dakota having been summoned by a death in the family.

Repairs are being made on the Good-enough property on Maple avenue which will be occupied by G. N. Maxwell.

The village schools will give a Hiawatha musical taken from the "Song of Hiawatha," at the Auditorium, Saturday evening, May 9.

C. W. Meyrich, who recently purchased the Wetten property, 44 Maple avenue, moved his household effects here from Glen Ellyn Saturday.

James O'Mara, superintendent of the Downers Grove Furniture company, has moved his family out from Chicago and occupies the McVean cottage at 70 Benton avenue.

Dr. A. S. Washburn and family have moved into the Herring residence on East Maple avenue recently vacated by the Stover family, who now occupy the Mertz place on South Washington street.

Miss Hattie Schump of Ottisbon, Ia., a niece of Mrs. Thomas Bunning and who was visiting her aunt some few months ago, is undergoing a second operation for tuberculosis of the glands of the neck at the Mercy hospital.

Rev. George C. Moor of La Porte, Ind., was here Thursday attending the funeral of the late Prof. E. H. Nourse and shaking hands with old friends. Mr. and Mrs. Moor will both visit friends here for a few weeks in the near future.

By a recent change George T. Hughes has disposed of his coal and ice business to the Illinois Lumber and Construction company, who took possession Tuesday. Mr. Hughes has so far made no plans for the future but his many friends hope he will remain in Downers Grove.

Next Sunday morning Rev. H. Booth Hazen, pastor of the Baptist church, will have for the subject of his discourse "The Significance of the Communion Supper." This will be followed by the communion service. In the evening Mr. Hazen will speak on "What Shall I Bring in My Approach to God?"

The board of education met Monday evening, declared the result of the election and the incoming board organized, all members being present. O. M. Searles was elected secretary and President Graham announced the following committees: Teachers and schools, F. E. Dowe, L. W. Winchester, M. Slusser, Finance, B. C. White, L. W. Winchester, J. W. Worley, Building and grounds, C. B. Blodgett, F. E. Dowe, B. C. White. Board adjourned to regular monthly meeting next Tuesday evening.

The music committee of the Congregational church is preparing for its annual May fete, which will be given Thursday, May 14. The committee, which is composed of Misses Martha Downer, Gertrude Fraenkel and Mabel Messner, promises a number of pleasing features. They are, in fact, planning several surprises in the way of striking innovations for the amusement of the public and are not yet prepared to make any announcement of the program except that it is expected to excel anything that has previously been given.

One of the brightest and best burlesque entertainments of the season will be presented at Hopkin's theater for the week commencing Sunday matinee May 3, by Frank C. Carr's "Thoroughbreds," an organization which has made an enviable name for itself in the field of burlesque. The company is composed of a number of high-class vandyville artists and a large chorus of handsome girls. The first number which is introduced is a laughable skit entitled "A Wooden Wedding," which abounds with witty lines, humorous situations and lots of pretty music, which is well rendered by a large chorus who appear to great advantage costumed in some stunning gowns.

FOREIGN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES.

State Law Relating Thereto Published by Request of Downers Grove Fire Department.

Section 1. Foreign fire insurance companies shall be taxed or licensed. All corporations, companies and associations not incorporated under the laws of this state, and which are engaged in the city of—, in affecting or soliciting fire insurance shall pay to the city treasurer of the city of—, on July 15th, 1899, and annually thereafter, upon the 15th day of July of each and every year following, a sum equal to two per cent of the gross receipts of premiums received by such corporation, company or association, or their agency or agents, for business affected or transacted, for fire insurance within the city of—, for the year ending July 1st preceding said dates. The sum above named shall be as a tax or license fee upon all such corporations, companies or associations transacting such business within the city of—.

Sec. 2. Agents shall report receipts of agency. Every person acting as agent or otherwise, for or upon behalf of any such corporation, company or association, shall on or before the 15th day of July, 1899, and the 15th day of July of each and every year thereafter, render to the city clerk of the city of—, a full, true and just account, verified by oath, of all the premiums which during the year ending on the first day of July 1899, and the 1st of July of each and every year succeeding, shall have been received by him, or any other person for him, in behalf of any such corporation, company or association, and shall fully and specifically set out in said report, the amount or amounts received as premiums for fire insurance.

Sec. 3. Agents shall pay tax or license fee. The said agent or agents shall also at the time of the making of the above mentioned report, pay to the city treasurer of the city of—, the said sum of two per cent upon the gross receipts of such corporation, company or association, obtained as premiums for affecting fire insurance in the city of—, as is specified in section 1 of this chapter.

Sec. 4. Company failing to report or pay said tax shall not transact business. If such account be not rendered on or before the day herein designated for that purpose, or if the above mentioned rates for the said tax or license fee shall remain unpaid after that day, it shall be unlawful for any such corporation, company or association, to transact any business of fire insurance in the said city of—, until the requirements hereof have been fully complied with; nevertheless, this provision shall in no way affect the validity of any risk that may be taken in violation hereof, between such corporation, company or association, and the person so insured.

Sec. 5. Violation—penalty. If any such corporation, company or association fail to render the account or report herein designated, by the day required by this chapter, or if the above mentioned rates, as a tax or license fee, shall remain unpaid after the day designated, to-wit, July 15, every such corporation, company or association shall forfeit and pay to the said city of—the sum of two hundred dollars upon conviction, for each and every offense, and in addition to such penalty, the city of—shall recover in an action in its name, for its use, against such corporation, company or association so failing to make such report, or pay such license fee, or tax the full amount of said license fee, which would be due under the provisions hereof.

Sec. 6. To what fund tax or license fee shall be applied. Any and all sums so received under the provisions hereof shall form and constitute a fund, to be kept separate by the city treasurer of the said city of—for the maintenance, use and benefit of the fire department of the said city of—.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE.

Downers Grove Lodge, No. 750, I. O. O. F., Downers Grove, April 25th, 1903.

—Resolutions of condolence. Whereas the members of this lodge fully realize how inadequate are words to convey our sincere and heartfelt sorrow for the loss sustained by our worthy brother, Samuel H. Hoffer, in the death of his beloved wife, yet as a slight testimony of this feeling, be it resolved that while we must reverently bow to the will of our Heavenly Father "who doeth all things well," we deeply and earnestly sympathize with our brother and his family in this hour of their great bereavement. Resolved that in the life of her who has gone it may be truly said, "Well done thou good and faithful servant." Resolved that a page of our records be set aside for a copy of these resolutions, that a copy be presented to Brother Hoffer and one furnished to the Downers Grove Reporter for publication. D. G. Graham, A. F. Beideman, Henry Legenhansen, committee.

Mertz & Mochel have a fine line of the best makes of refrigerators and ice chests, which they are selling at the lowest market price.

Betts Elected Chairman

County Board Re-elects Thomas Betts as Head of Board.

Chairman Names Yearly Committees—Report of Claim Committee Approved—Barn Building Committee Appointed.

The board of supervisors held a special meeting at the court house in Wheaton Wednesday, April 22, A. D. 1903, pursuant to the following call, which was duly published: Wheaton, Ill., April 13, 1903. To H. F. Lawrence, county clerk and ex-officio clerk of the board of supervisors of DuPage county, Illinois. Dear Sir: You are respectfully requested to call the board of supervisors of DuPage county in special session to convene at the court house in Wheaton on Wednesday, the 23d day of April, A. D. 1903, at the hour of 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, C. D. Bartlett, A. W. Kohley, supervisors.

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

On roll call all members answered to their names, the full board consisting of the following members: George A. Fischer, A. H. Fairbank, Wm. Hammerschmidt, Frank H. Cramer, C. D. Bartlett, W. W. Stevan, Jas. McClintock, A. W. Kohley, Jacob E. Bender, Amos E. Churchill, C. B. Blodgett, Thos. Betts.

On motion of Supervisor Hammerschmidt a ballot was then taken for permanent chairman.

On motion of Supervisor Bender the chair appointed two tellers to receive and count the votes. The tellers appointed by the chair were Supervisors Bender and Bartlett.

The result for permanent chairman was as follows: Betts, 7; Bartlett, 5; Bender, 1; McClintock 1.

Supervisor Betts having received the majority of votes cast was declared the chairman of the board for the ensuing year.

Minutes of last preceding meeting read and declared approved.

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

On motion of Supervisor Bartlett the board took a recess to 1:30.

On convening for afternoon session the chair announced the following committees for the ensuing year: Finance—Wm. Hammerschmidt, A. H. Fairbank, George A. Fischer. Claims—George A. Fischer, Amos Churchill, F. H. Cramer. Fees and salaries—J. E. Bender, W. W. Stevan, A. W. Kohley. Court house and grounds—C. B. Bartlett, F. H. Cramer, C. B. Blodgett. County farm—Amos Churchill, J. E. Bender, W. W. Stevan. Special—C. B. Blodgett, A. H. Fairbanks, F. H. Cramer. Judiciary—A. W. Kohley, W. W. Stevan, Jas. McClintock. License—A. H. Fairbanks, Wm. Hammerschmidt, J. E. Bender. Counsel—F. H. Cramer, A. W. Kohley, C. B. Blodgett. County supplies—Jas. McClintock, Wm. Hammerschmidt, C. D. Bartlett. Rules—W. W. Stevan, Jas. McClintock, A. A. Fairbank.

On motion of Supervisor Bender the following report of the committee on claims was approved: Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Board of Supervisors: Your committee on 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 order for the several amounts, to-wit:

Ill North Hosp care Co inmates to Apr '03 \$41 25
N. E. Motter, printing blanks etc. 52 25
P. F. Pettibone & Co, books and blanks for Co officers 24 00
A. L. Hamilton, printing blanks etc 14 00
R. T. Morgan, expenses to Springfield 14 00
W. W. Stevan, car fare for transient passenger 2 00
C. H. Fuller, repairs at Co farm 21 00
W. W. De Wolf, deputy fees 899 00
H. F. Lawrence, fees for making assessors' books 899 00
Eimhurst News, pub proceedings from March 15, 1902, to March 15, 1903 15 00
M. G. Garney, justice and state's attorney fees, people's case 8 25
A. T. Arnold, witness fees people's case 7 50
Wheaton Elec Light Co, light for March 13, 1903 11 00
Ill Fed School for Girls, care Co inmates to April 1, 1903 26 00
Callahan & Co, Ill report 2 75
Chicago Tel Co, toll to March 20, 1903, and rent 14 00
O. Schmidt, conveying prisoners to jail 3 00
A. W. Kohley, committee work & mileage 32 00
J. E. Bender, same 7 50
Moved by Supervisor Kohley that Supervisors Bartlett, Hammerschmidt and Bender, who have heretofore been appointed by the chair as a committee to procure plans and specifications for sheriff's barn, be appointed the building committee for the erection of said barn. H. F. Lawrence, Clerk.