

DOWNERS GROVE REPORTER.

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Schools Begin Tuesday.

Fall Term of Downers Grove Schools Open on that Date.

Seven New Instructors are Engaged—Synopsis Given on New School Law which is Very Strict.

The Downers Grove schools will open next Tuesday morning for the fall term. The school buildings have been thoroughly renovated and placed in readiness for the hundreds of scholars who will resume their studies next week. The principal change in the buildings has been the repairing of the old portion of the Maple avenue school. A new roof has been placed on the old rooms, steam heat has been installed and the rooms repaired. Some repairing has also been done in the north side building. In fact everything about the buildings is in excellent shape for the commencement of work.

The corps of instructors has been decidedly changed since last year. With the exception of Supt. O. M. Searles and five teachers an entirely new corps of teachers has been engaged. The exceptions are those of Misses Cassa B. Graves, Susie R. Wickel, Grace E. Stover, Maude Cobb and Agatha Sweet. The complete roster of instructors is as follows: Miss Gene Parker, of Colorado, Miss Elsie Zaumbrecher of Evanston, high school; Mrs. A. B. Warner of Chicago, eighth grade; Miss Cassa B. Graves Wapello, Iowa, seventh grade; Miss Edna Holderness of Kenosha, sixth grade; Miss Susie R. Wickel of Naperville, fourth and fifth grades; south building. Miss Mary Jensen of Chicago, fourth and fifth grades, north building; Miss Carrie L. Reeves of Englewood, third grade, north building; Miss Grace E. Stover, second grade; Misses Alice Nourse and Agatha Sweet first grades.

Superintendent Searles announces that under the school regulations all pupils must be vaccinated or they cannot attend.

A decided change in the compulsory education law was made at the last session of the legislature, which makes the parents or guardians liable to a fine for not sending their children to school and local authorities are required to enforce the law. In part the law reads as follows:

"Every person having control of any child between the ages of 7 and 14 years shall annually cause such child to attend some public or private school for the entire time during which the school attended is in session, which period shall not be less than 110 days of actual teaching; provided that this act shall not apply in any case where the child has been or is being otherwise instructed for a like period of time in each and every year in the elementary branches of education by a person or persons competent to give such instruction, or whose physical or mental condition renders his or her attendance impractical or inexpedient, or who is excused for temporary absence for cause, by the principal or teacher in charge of the school which said child attends. For every neglect of such duty prescribed in section 1 of this act, the person so offending shall forfeit to the use of the public schools of the city, town or district in which said child resides, a sum of not less than \$5 or more than \$20 and costs of suit, and shall stand committed until such fine and cost of suit are fully paid. Any person having control of a child, who, with intent to evade the provisions of this act, shall make a false statement concerning the age of such child, or in the time such child has attended school shall for such offense forfeit a sum of not less than \$5 or more than \$20 for the use of the public schools of such city, town or district."

MAIN STREET PROPERTY SOLD.

By a recent important transfer of real estate Charles Mochel comes into possession of the desirable Main street property of John Stanley. The property has a Main street frontage of 151 feet and has a depth of 238 feet, and lies between the alley south of Mertz & Mochel's store and Curtiss street. Negotiations for the purchase of the property have been pending for some time but were only completed last week. Parties who are posted on property values think the figure at which the property sold—\$5,000—very low.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, holds Sunday services on the top floor of the Oldfield building at 10:45. Subject for September 6th, "Substance" Sunday school for children at noon. This church holds regular Wednesday evening testimonial meetings at 8 p. m. in Oldfield hall. Reading room for the benefit of the public open every Wednesday afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock at 109 Gilbert avenue. All are cordially invited.

REUNION 105TH VOLUNTEER INFANTRY.

DuPage and DeKalb County Veterans Met at Wheaton Yesterday.

Scores of veterans of the 105th Illinois volunteer infantry met at Wheaton yesterday in annual reunion and for a few hours lived over the days of the war. Wheaton left nothing undone to make the day pleasant for the soldiers and a grand good time resulted.

The morning session was given over to the transaction of business and election of officers. The meeting was called to order at 11:30 o'clock. Sycamore was decided upon as the place for holding the reunion next year.

The following officers were elected: E. M. Phelps, president; Warren Peters secretary and treasurer.

Dinner was served by the Wheaton Woman's relief corps at 12:30 o'clock in the Masonic hall. The afternoon meeting convened at 2:30 o'clock when a program was given, including speeches by prominent members of the regiment. Following the speaking the day was given over by the veterans to a good old-time reunion, a wipping stories and renewing acquaintances. Judge Geo. W. Brown delivered the address of welcome which was responded to by Lieut. Willard Scott of Naperville. Short addresses were also made by Capt. T. E. Rogers of Downers Grove, D. B. Givler and Thos. Betts of Naperville, Mrs. Frank Hubbard of Chicago, and others.

About 60 members of the old regiment were present, more than a dozen of this number going from Downers Grove.

ENTERTAIN CITY VISITORS.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Sams entertained a company of about 35 friends from the city last Saturday afternoon and evening. The inclement weather did not deter anyone from thoroughly enjoying the outing. Games of croquet and base-ball in the afternoon and the music and singing rendered by the Misses Blanche, Sadie and Josie Kenatka and Herman Olson were enjoyed by all. An elegantly prepared lunch was served in the evening to the great satisfaction of their appetites, which from the exercise and the fresh country air were in good condition to partake of a hearty meal. The party returned to the city on the 8:50 train after having their pockets and all other wearing apparel available filled with apples, each person expressing their gratitude and hoping that they would soon have occasion to repeat the visit.

MAY USE MOTOR CARS.

Gasoline motor cars instead of locomotives on 25 or 30 short branch lines and possibly in the Chicago suburban service are to be used on the Burlington road. General Manager Delano has been figuring on a substitute for steam on a number of branch lines throughout Illinois and the West that are not making much money, on account of the high cost of operation. "By such a change we would be enabled to abandon long, expensive trains with locomotives and operate gasoline cars," said Mr. Delano. "This would mean but two men to a train, or rather a car instead of four or five men that are now necessary on trains for the same service. The motors might also be used in the suburban service." Passenger Traffic Manager Eustis, of the Burlington, it is said, is anxious that the motor cars be tested as soon as possible.

SLUSSER DEFEATS BRYCE.

Harry Slusser defeated Harry Bryce in the tennis tournament semi-finals Saturday in a closely contested match. The players were very evenly matched and many duce games resulted. A large number of spectators witnessed the games and freely applauded the brilliant plays. Four sets of a five set match were played, Slusser winning by a score of 8-6, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2. The closing match of the tournament will be played next Saturday when Slusser plays the final or challenge match with E. H. Huntington, Jr. Huntington is recognized as the star local player and Slusser will find him, by long odds the hardest proposition in the club. The games promise considerable excitement and a large crowd will no doubt witness the match.

BURGLARS AT NORTH SIDE HOMES.

Thieves entered the home of John MacLean, 136 Highland avenue, Saturday night and carried off a suit of clothes. Members of the family were awakened and frightened the marauders away before anything else was taken. The same night about 12:45 Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Waples were awakened by the noise of some one forcing a window. They found the screen had been removed from the kitchen window and an effort made to force the lock. The burglars ceased their efforts to gain an entrance when the family was aroused and fled.

Local and Personal Paragraphs

Watermelons at Gerwig's. White Rose gasoline, Nash's. Additional local news on fifth page.

Mrs. Florence Hanson left Thursday for Spokane, Wash.

Mrs. Gus. Warner left Monday for a week's visit in St. Louis.

B. C. Davies left Thursday for a two weeks' visit at Toronto, Canada.

Charles Aldrich is visiting with the Haymond boys at Sandwich this week.

Louis Berry, a former employe of the piano factory, has moved to Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Frank A. Berner leaves this week for El Paso, Texas, on a land inspection tour.

Miss Maurine Sayers of Marengo, Iowa, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Arthur J. Gray.

Mrs. M. E. Stanger and father, H. A. Colville, are visiting relatives at Mishawaka, Ind.

Miss Jessie Potter of Chicago was the guest of her cousin, Miss Edith Graham over Sunday.

Miss Nora Bloom who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. B. Miller, returned to Normal Tuesday.

Patrick and Henry Welch from the south part of the county transacted business here last Monday.

J. M. Davis and family, who occupied the Escher place at 33 East Curtiss street, have moved to Grossdale.

Dr. Alexander Gray and wife of Cary, Ill., were the guests of his brother, Arthur J. Gray, over Sunday.

Farm Wanted; to rent—From 20 to 40 acres, liberal terms for suitable place. Smith, care McClary farm, Downers Grove.

Millinery opening, Tuesday, Sept. 8 Advance styles in fall and winter millinery. Second floor bank building, Miss Goodspeed.

Charles Kilbourn is at the St. Anthony de Padua hospital where he recently underwent a successful operation for appendicitis.

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

Miss Caline Lily, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Guy Lily, formerly of this city, was united in marriage to Lester Ohlde, Monday, Aug. 31, at Hinsdale, their present home.

Geo. Klein of Williamsburg, Iowa, arrived Sunday for a few days visit with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Jake Klein, Sr., and to make the fall furniture purchase for his large furniture store at that place.

Misses Mabel and Louise Stanley leave next Monday for Toronto, Canada, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, and Natharwood, N. Y., expecting to be gone two months. Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Stanley will return with them.

William Nunn, an attorney with offices in Chicago and at Wheaton, was found dead in his Wheaton office yesterday morning. Mr. Nunn was a candidate for judge of DuPage county on the democratic ticket in 1890, when he was defeated by Judge H. E. Gary, now president of the United States Steel company.

The north side restaurant in the Rogers building on North Main street has been entirely refitted and refurbished and now opened as a first-class hotel and restaurant. Mrs. J. W. Melaney is the new proprietor and is prepared to serve meals and lunches at all hours. First-class meals and rooms newly furnished, with pleasant parlor and home-like surroundings, are some of the attractions offered guests.

James I. Rounds, for a number of years a pupil of the great Josef Vilhm of Chicago, can accommodate a limited number of pupils in violin playing. Mr. Rounds took a special course of study under Mr. Vilhm in the American conservatory, and afterwards in the American Violin school, to fit him for the duties of a teacher. Parties desiring to join his class may communicate with him, addressing box 238.

The remaining four cases of the village of Downers Grove against Jake Klein and Frank Prentiss for disturbing the peace and being disorderly were heard before Justice Schwartz of Naperville last Thursday and Friday. By agreement the three charges against Klein were heard at once before a single jury. The charges were being drunk and disorderly, carrying concealed weapons and assault. The jury found him guilty and fined him \$100 for the first offense and \$50 each for the other two counts and costs. The jury in the Prentiss case fined him \$25 and costs. It is stated that all the cases will be appealed.

National Light oil at Nash's. Cook's Flaked Rice at the Fair. Best oil in town at Curtiss & Hearty's.

Capt. T. S. Rogers returned Saturday from his eastern trip.

Fred L. Mertz is the possessor of an elegant new tambourine drum.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Reed of Chicago spent Sunday with Mrs. Weiss.

Mrs. A. B. Cole and daughter, Clara, spent Thursday night with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Thompson are visiting at their old home at Lincoln, Neb.

Miss Grace Stover is attending the Normal school in Cook county this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hughes returned Wednesday from their vacation trip in the east.

A. L. Palmer and daughter, Miss Louise, visited relatives in Nashville last week.

Mrs. J. J. Ralston spent several days last week in the city visiting friends and relatives.

The meat markets will close at ten o'clock Labor day and no deliveries will be made.

Dr. Munson L. Ward who has been spending the summer at Ed Timpke's has returned to Chicago.

Charles Mattox leaves today for his home at Orlois, Md., where he will spend the fall and winter.

Two automobiles plowed their way through the Main street mud Saturday and narrowly escaped miring.

Mrs. Emma J. Miller left last night for St. Joseph, Mo., for an extended visit with her brother, H. D. Foster.

Thos. Bunning gives prompt attention to trunks or baggage and express teaming. Telephone 293, or leave orders at Curtiss & Hearty's.

Friends of Mrs. T. B. Rogers will regret to learn that she is again in poor health and confined to her bed, but hope her illness will be but temporary.

"Strength and vigor come of good food, duly digested. 'Porca,' a ready-to-serve wheat and barley food, adds no burden, but sustains, nourishes, invigorates."

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Cleveland were here Monday. They have sold their little farm near Cass where they have lived many years, and will soon move to Lamont where they have purchased a home.

The Ladies' Library association will hold a reception at the library rooms, Friday, Sept. 11th from two until five and from seven until nine o'clock. A sale of bakery goods, candy and popcorn will be held.

Earl Herring, who has been here for a month visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Herring, leaves today for Denver, where he is now making his permanent home and where he expects to engage in business. Miss Anne Herring, who accompanied him home, will not return to the west.

Capt. T. S. Rogers has further improved the appearance of his handsome residence property on Warren avenue by the addition of several hundred feet of cement walks and curb. All the plank walks have been torn up and cement substituted throughout. A. F. Beidelman did the work.

By a number of alterations, improvements and additions, W. S. Carpenter's hall will be made one of the most convenient places for dances, parties and lodge purposes possible. The alterations include the addition of two lavatories and closets besides several lockers and closets for the use of lodges. The ventilation is being improved by the addition of a skylight in the corridor and changes in the air shaft in the hall. Other improvements are the installation of electric lights and a gas stove for use when suppers are given. The floors in the corridors and ante-rooms will be covered with linoleum and the entire hall will be newly papered throughout.

J. W. Hughes easily defeated Herbert Lloyd Tuesday at the special election to choose a trustee to succeed E. C. Kuenzel. Lloyd received but 54 votes to Hughes' 149, almost three to one, and shows pretty conclusively what the citizens of Downers Grove think of a man of Lloyd's stamp. The result was at no time in doubt. No special effort was made on election day by the friends of Hughes to get out the vote. Lloyd on the contrary developed his entire strength. The total vote cast was 204. One ballot was spoiled and thrown out. Polls were open in the village hall from seven until five o'clock and were in charge of J. W. Tacker, H. E. Courtwright and G. N. Jones as judges, and Geo. Hoffer, E. Woehral and C. H. Steats as clerks.

FIREMEN'S PICNIC TO BE ON LABOR DAY

Fourth Annual Outing of the Downers Grove Firemen Next Monday.

Labor day, next Monday, will be a big event for the local firemen. On that day occurs the fourth annual picnic of the Downers Grove Fire Department and all preparations have been completed for making this one of the best in the history of that organization. In addition to the regular program of games and races, dancing and music will be features. The Hinckley Military band of Hinckley has been secured and will furnish the music. This year the picnic will be held in Lyman's Grove, just west of the village, and every convenience for the comfort of those attending will be provided. The parade will be given at 11 o'clock and the races begin promptly at 2 o'clock. Following are the events scheduled (first prizes of \$2.00 and second prizes of \$1.00 will be awarded in each event except in the tug of war, for which a box of cigars will be given the winning team):

100 yard race, free for all, for men; 75 yard race, free for all, for women; 50 yard three-leg race for men; 50 yard race for fat men; highest jump; broad jump; tug of war, any ten men against ten men of fire department; putting the shot; potato race for boys of 16 years and under; 75 yard race for boys 15 years and under; 75 yard race for girls 15 years and under. Messrs. C. F. Davis, Warren Devereaux and George Baker compose the committee in charge of the sports.

CASS ITEMS.

It is stated that Harry (Gregory) will retire from farming and engage in the life insurance business in the near future. Edgar Andrus and Miss Helen Walton were calling on friends here Monday. Mr. and Mrs. John Brown and family of Downers Grove spent Sunday at Charles Oldfield's. Mrs. James West visited with Mrs. John Sinyard last Sunday. Mrs. F. L. Hearty and son, Rollie, of Monticello, Ind., arrived in Cass Sunday for a short visit with relatives. Charles Oldfield and son Charles, Master Rollie Hearty and W. J. Sinyard visited the stock yards Tuesday. Chester Hearty, Jack Taylor, Louis Kieffel, Henry Liebundguth and Earnest Elson expect to leave Thursday for Wisconsin for an outing. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Sinyard of Archer, Iowa, are visiting relatives in Cass for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Oldfield spent Sunday in Lockport with Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Shepard. Mrs. Elmer Oldfield and family spent last Wednesday at Mrs. Henry Leibundguth.

TRIED TO WRECK A FAST TRAIN.

Charles Weidert, a lad about 14 years of age of Aurora, Ill., while visiting at the home of Edward Ehrhardt, about two miles west of Naperville, on the line of the C. & N. Q., placed a railway tie on the north track, intending thereby to wreck the train known as No. 47, it being the Minneapolis express. The train struck the tie but did not leave the tracks, although the passengers were considerably shaken up by the sudden stop. Young Weidert is a boy of good appearance and comes from a good family. He was bound over to await the action of the October grand jury by Justice Schwartz Tuesday.

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 long in Nebraska. Send today for a copy of the book. No charge. P. S. Eustis, Passenger traffic manager, 209 Adams street, Chicago.

MASONS NEW HALL FINISHED.

The new Masonic hall in the Oldfield building has been completed and is ready for use by that society. The hall has been transformed into one of the finest lodge halls in the state. The pillars supporting the roof have been removed and replaced by a truss, electric lights have been installed and the rooms and halls handsomely tinted in harmonizing colors. The hall is at present occupied by the Masons, Eastern Star and Odd Fellows, and the Christian Scientists also hold their meetings there. The Odd Fellows held their first meeting in the new quarters Saturday evening.

Best of all Flour made from the very best northern grown hard spring wheat makes more bread and better bread than any flour in this market.

Reviewers Finish Work

Raise Assessment of Naperville Park Addition 150 Per Cent.

Naperville City Attorney Healy to Warrenton and is Ordered to Refrain From Meeting—Other County News from Exchange.

The work of the board of review is practically completed. They have decided to do nothing in equalizing assessments between the various townships on either real estate or personal property. There has been a few individual changes on real estate assessments. The amount of personal property dug up will not be known until they complete their labors. Up-to-date they have added to the assessable property many thousand dollars. Owners of Naperville Park addition lots have been informed of a sudden increase of the valuation of their property to the extent of 150 per cent.

The business men of Aurora who advanced nearly \$4,000 to guarantee expenses of the chauteauque assembly at Riverview park are highly elated at the great success of the affair. It closed on Sunday with a days attendance of 10,000 people, and for the entire ten days it averaged 4,000 people. The program each day were highly entertaining, the talent being the very best in the several lines. After paying all expenses the assembly has \$800 towards next year's meeting.

John Haight, the city attorney of Naperville, has displayed such hostility to the construction of the water works system, even going to the extent of threatening to discontinue his petition for confirmation of the special assessment which the city might cause to be filed, that the city has employed H. H. Goodrich as special counsel and has directed Haight to refrain from interfering in any manner with the proceedings.

Nathaniel Hamblin, of DuPage county, was on Friday, appointed chief clerk of the newly organized general staff of the army. He was chief clerk to General Sheridan when he was in command at Chicago, and went to Washington with him when he became commanding general of the army.

John Gatum, the aged and wealthy Will county farmer who shot and killed his favorite son in July during a quarrel is dying of grief. He has been taken from the jail to the hospital and the doctors say he will not live to see the grand jury indictment for murder pending against him.

The Meacham school in DuPage county, Miss Nettie Gallo way teacher, captured the second prize, a handsome United States flag, offered by State Superintendent Bayless, for showing the most marked improvement in the condition of its yard within a given period.

Ira Remus, a resident of Chicago, was arrested at Hinsdale on August 18, charged with stealing a running horse from the pasture of George Bamcroft, one mile west of Warrenville. At the preliminary examination he pled not guilty and was bound over to the grand jury.

Christian Voight, an old and highly respected citizen of Wheaton, dropped dead Monday afternoon after a forenoon spent at work and feeling as well as ever. The coroner's jury pronounced the trouble neuralgia of the heart. Deceased was 77 years of age.

August Hanson, a crazy painter, who has been wandering about in the vicinity of the Dunham stock farm for two weeks past, terrorizing the women, was taken into custody Saturday and removed to the Elgin asylum.

DeWitt C. Pratt of Aurora, one of the oldest photographers of the state, died at his late home in that city on Monday evening. He was born in Homer, Cortland county, N. Y., Aug. 14, 1822.

Forty head of horses have been shipped from the Oaklawn stables of Wayne in the Iowa state fair at Des Moines. One of them weighs 2,400 pounds and is said to be the largest horse in the world.

Wm. Polleworth of Bartlett has been sentenced to a year in the penitentiary. He discharged a shotgun at his brother, Henry, several weeks ago, and the injured man narrowly escaped death.

Samuel D. Welden, a prominent contractor and resident of Wheaton, died August 23, of congestion of the lungs.

A business man's association has been organized in West Chicago for the mutual protection of the mechanic.

The postoffice at Warrenville has been discontinued—rural delivery now serves its former patrons.

Window glass is at a premium in Wheaton as a result of the terrific hail storm a few weeks ago.

Work has been commenced on the DuPage county jail.