

# DOWNERS GROVE REPORT

TWENTY-FIRST YEAR.

DOWNERS GROVE, DuPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 1904.

## Harmonious Convention DuPage Republicans Nominated County Officers Saturday.

Resolutions Passed Endorsing Judge Ruth, Representative Bush, Capt. T. S. Rogers and Congressman Snapp.

Judge Linus C. Ruth's candidacy for the circuit bench to succeed Judge Brown was formally announced amid the cheers of his fellow republicans at the DuPage county republican convention at Wheaton Saturday and the Judge was awarded the honor of selecting his own delegates to the judicial convention. The same action was taken for Hon. Guy L. Bush, DuPage county's candidate for the legislature, in permitting him to choose his own delegation to the senatorial convention. Capt. T. S. Rogers was endorsed for the state board of equalization, as was Congressman Howard M. Snapp for reelection, and the delegates to the congressional convention were instructed for them.

The convention was purely a ratification meeting; harmony of feeling made the gathering more of a love feast than anything else; nominations were made by acclamation throughout; speeches were made by various prominent republicans and the convention adjourned without the slightest trace of friction. Chairman Howard H. Goodrich of the county central committee called the convention to order at 3 o'clock and named Allen H. Fairbanks of West Chicago as temporary chairman, and Oscar H. Givler of Naperville as temporary secretary. No contests being reported, on motion of Judge Brown the delegates present were declared entitled to seats in the convention. The temporary organization was made permanent and Chairman Fairbanks made a short speech thanking the convention for the honor of making him its presiding officer.

Wm. Hammerschmidt presented the following resolutions which were unanimously adopted.

Be it resolved, that the republican party of DuPage county in convention assembled at the city of Wheaton on the 19th day of March, 1904, that:

1. We endorse the republican administration, National, state and county.  
2. That we endorse and present the Honorable L. C. Ruth as the choice of DuPage county for judge of the 16th judicial district of Illinois, and we hereby authorize and empower him to select the delegates to which the county of DuPage may be entitled in any judicial convention to be hereafter called to nominate a successor to the Honorable George W. Brown.

3. That the Honorable Guy L. Bush of Downers Grove is our unanimous choice for representative in the general assembly from the 41st senatorial district and he is hereby authorized and empowered to select the delegates to which the county of DuPage may be entitled in the senatorial convention hereafter to be called for the purpose of nominating members of the general assembly from the 41st senatorial district of this state.

4. That the delegates this day selected to represent the county of DuPage in the congressional convention are hereby instructed to vote for the re-nomination of the Honorable Howard M. Snapp for congress.

5. That Captain T. S. Rogers of Downers Grove is the unanimous choice of the republicans of DuPage county for member of the state board of equalization for the 11th congressional district and the delegates this day selected to the congressional convention are instructed to vote for him and to use all honorable means to secure his nomination.

6. That the delegates to the state and congressional conventions are authorized to fill any vacancies that may at any time exist in the delegations or to cast the entire vote of the delegation.

7. That if any vacancy shall occur on the county ticket this day nominated by withdrawal, death or otherwise, the republican county central committee of DuPage county is authorized and empowered to fill such vacancy.

Upon motion of J. N. Redfern of Hinsdale, a committee consisting of one from each township was appointed to select delegates to the state and congressional conventions. The committee chosen was composed of H. F. Lawrence, A. L. Martin, Newton Smith, J. T. Hooper, C. V. Carpenter, F. A. Kendall, Judge Brown, F. B. Strubler and Wm. Hammerschmidt. After a short recess the committee reported the following selections which were unanimously adopted:

State delegates—Addison, Geo. A. Fischer; Winfield, O. E. Smiley; Milton, Geo. W. Brown; A. J. Johnson; York, Wm. Hammerschmidt; Downers Grove, C. V. Carpenter; M. L. Rafter, Guy L. Bush; Lisle, C. W. Loewler; Naperville, H. E. Peaslee.

were as follows: G. W. Pickering, Jao. Gardner, P. T. Tiedeman, J. W. Rogers, W. B. Carleton, Geo. W. Brown, Amos Churchill, J. H. Creager, Wm. Graue, Milton Crampton, O. H. Givler, J. A. Bell, A. L. Martin, J. T. Hooper.

The selection of a county central committee resulted in the following being chosen: Addison, Geo. A. Fischer, Ed Ahlers, Aug. Goeddeke; Bloomington, Christ. Haseman; Wayne, Homer Munger; Winfield, J. H. Creager, Allen Fairbank, C. H. Hoy; Milton, J. P. Smith, E. A. McChesney, W. W. Stevens; York, H. L. Glos, Wm. Hammerschmidt; Downers Grove, C. V. Carpenter, M. Blusser, W. B. Carleton, M. L. Rafter, Frank Cramer; Lisle, H. H. Goodrich, D. D. Barnard; Naperville, H. H. Peaslee, M. Boecker, W. M. Hampton. In the organization of the committee C. V. Carpenter was made chairman and A. H. Fairbanks secretary.

On motion of J. N. Redfern the convention proceeded to the nomination of republican candidates for county offices.

Judge Brown presented the name of Thomas Hull of Wheaton for circuit clerk and asked the nomination unanimously by a rising vote. Every delegate arose.

E. M. Schwartz of Naperville made the nominating speech naming Howard H. Goodrich of Naperville for state's attorney, M. Blusser of Downers Grove, present state's attorney, seconded the nomination in a neat speech and the nomination was made unanimously by a rising vote.

Frank J. Knight, not to be outdone by the unanimity prevailing, presented the name of Newton E. Matter for re-nomination as coroner and he was chosen unanimously by acclamation.

W. B. Carleton of Hinsdale named G. W. Wilson for the surveyorship nomination and he was chosen unanimously.

Following the nominations the convention called upon Food Commissioner Alfred H. Jones, representing Gov. Yates, W. H. Stead of Streator, candidate for attorney general, Vespien Warner, candidate for governor, and Appellate Clerk C. C. Duffy for speeches.

All referred to the convention as being the most harmonious they had ever attended. Judge Brown read a telegram from Gov. Yates expressing his regrets at being unable to be present.

### BANK'S ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers' and Merchants' bank was held Saturday, March 23, and practically all of the stock was represented. The reports of its officers showed a very prosperous year's business. The bank is one of the soundest financial institutions in the state, is conservatively managed and its business is constantly increasing in volume. The bank has a fully paid up capital of \$25,000, with a surplus of \$8,000 to which \$500 was added at the annual meeting. An annual dividend of 18 per cent was declared. The last quarterly statement showed deposits of \$175,000. The new board of directors is composed of W. A. Tope, J. Kline, T. S. Rogers, F. D. Lindley, Samuel Curtis, Fred Buschman, Levi Mertz, Geo. B. Hearst and V. Simonson. All the old officers were re-elected as follows: W. A. Tope, president; J. Kline, vice-president; V. Simonson, cashier; J. M. Nargney, assistant cashier.

### "LAUGH AND GROW FAT."

Life is such a serious business with the average mortal that an opportunity for a hearty laugh is more than welcome to most people. "A merry heart doeth good like a medicine," and so do the humorous features of the great metropolitan daily, the Chicago Record-Herald. The first thing that greets you on the first page of every issue is the humorous cartoon by Ralph Wilder, the well-known artist, that frequently tells more at a glance than could be conceived in a column of reading matter. Every issue contains also a humorous small story on the editorial page and the "Alternating currents" column, written by S. E. Kiser, one of the most popular humorous writers in the country. In addition to all these the Sunday issue always includes a comic section, guaranteed to produce laughter.

### BAPTIST LADIES' ENTERTAINMENT.

The Baptist ladies give an entertainment in Carpenter's hall on Thursday evening, March 31. A very pleasing program will be furnished by the little folks, consisting of instrumental and vocal solos and a chorus and Easter Lily drill by 26 little girls. Eight little Brownies in costume will also assist with their songs and smiles. Another important feature of the evening will be the sale of useful and fancy articles made by the ladies, also delicious home made candies and bakery goods. Ice cream and cake will be served. Admission of 15 cents will be charged for those over 12 years old. Children 10 cents.

## Local and Personal Paragraphs

### The Woehrel Olgar.

White Rose gasoline, Nash's. Additional local news on fifth page. Manna bread at Rang's, the best made—try it.

Home grown timothy and clover seed at Mertz & Mochele's.

Frank A. Berner is able to be about after a serious illness.

The small boys are playing marbles—a sure harbinger of spring.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Darnley entertained a party of friends at dinner Tuesday evening.

Miss Mabel Rutherford entertained a few friends at cards last Wednesday evening.

Correct styles in wall paper and decorations at Krams & Mertz, 33 South Main street.

The ladies of St. Mary's Altar society will meet at Mrs. E. Meehan's Saturday evening at 8 o'clock.

Dr. Charles Reynolds was called to the city Wednesday to take charge of the funeral of an old friend.

S. C. Curry was over from Wheaton yesterday where he is temporarily located representing the Mutual Life of New York.

The heavy rainfall of Monday night caused the creek to overflow its banks resulting in considerable inconvenience in flooding basements.

Miss Bertha Prince spent Sunday and Monday of this week at Batavia with Miss Sadie A. Thompson. While there she visited the West Side schools.

Wall papering, kalsomining, tinting and decorating promptly done by Krams & Mertz, 33 South Main street—high grade work only. Open evenings.

Miss Mariana Roe, who has spent the winter in Indiana to further her musical education has returned and will be at home to her pupils at 134 Carpenter street after March 25.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Echer, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Echer, J. D. Hughes and Elmer Echer spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Foster and celebrated Henry Paul's 96th birthday which occurred Saturday, the 19th.

Letters from Earl Herring to his family state that his condition has shown marked improvement since his return to Phoenix from Denver, a fact which will be pleasing intelligence to his many friends in Downers Grove.

Invitations were issued Friday for a dancing party to be given at Carpenter's hall Saturday evening, March 26. Several novel features are promised to make the party slightly different from usual. The ideal orchestra will furnish music.

Pauline Hall, who is meeting with such great success in vaudeville this week at Cleveland's theater has just closed a contract with the Schubert Brothers, whereby she will be starred in "Erminie" again. Therefore this will be Miss Hall's last appearance in vaudeville.

The school teachers of DuPage county will hold an institute in Downers Grove at the Congregational church on the 18th of April. There will be an interesting program and it is hoped that our people will attend in large numbers and show our interest in the cause of education. Dinner will be served in the basement of the church by the Ladies' Aid society for 25 cents each. Further details and program later.

A deal was closed this week whereby E. Herzberg disposed of his entire interest in the Straube Piano company to his partners, Messrs. Jacobson and Broderick and will retire from the local management of the factory here. Mr. Herzberg will return to Philadelphia where he will engage in business with his father with whom he was associated in the retail piano trade before coming to Downers Grove. He left for that city yesterday.

The St. Patrick's day entertainment given by the Ladies' Altar Guild of St. Mary's church was well attended. Rev. John F. Dore of Chicago gave an eloquent address on "The Day we Celebrate." The musical and literary features of the program were exceptionally good. Following the entertainment an informal dance was given and refreshments were served. The society cleared about \$90 as the result of the entertainment.

C. W. Meyrick's house is a shy chimney as the result of building a fire with the aid of kerosene oil in the kitchen range Saturday morning. The fire was lighted but failed to burn properly and oil was added to assist combustion. An explosion followed by a deafening report resulted. The blast blew off the top of the stove and wrecked the chimney. Fortunately no one was hurt, though Mr. Meyrick's hair and eyebrows were singed.

### National Light oil at Nash's.

Cook's Flaked Rice at the Fair. Best oil in town at Curtiss & Hearte's. Mrs. A. B. Cole spent Monday with her parents.

Wm. Straube starts on a trip to Mexico today.

Easter lilies can be had at Golan & Wolf's green house.

Lawn seeds, white clover and alfalfa seeds at Mertz & Mochele's.

Tramps are becoming numerous—a sure indication that spring is at hand.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Thompson will return this week from a visit at Lincoln, Neb.

Krams & Mertz have commenced their spring work as painters and decorators.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Schultz entertained a number of friends at cards Wednesday evening.

FOR SALE.—A splendid lot well situated, cheap, reasonable terms. Address box 437 Downers Grove.

The Knights of the Macabees will give a dance at Carpenter's hall Wednesday evening, April 13.

FOR SALE.—Singer sewing machine; mantle bed and small cook stove. Apply Clark, 221 Fairmount avenue.

Mrs. A. E. Selter is at the Passavant hospital in Chicago where she was successfully operated upon Monday and is now doing well.

Miss Pearl Bonsteel entertained a small party of friends Thursday evening with cards, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hughes.

Look over the latest effects in handsome wall paper and interior decorations at Krams & Mertz, 33 South Main street. Open evenings.

Carl Gentner, the Glen Elyan man who confessed to a series of crimes, was sentenced to an indeterminate term at Joliet by Judge Willis Monday.

A heavy thunder storm Monday night accompanied by a heavy rainfall and followed by warm weather has removed the last vestige of snow and the frost is rapidly going out of the ground.

Patrons of the library will please return all books next week Friday, April 1, when the library will be closed one week to look over books and other things in connection with the library.

G. N. Maxwell who has been teaching in the seventh grade in the schools here went to a Chicago hospital Monday to have his eyes operated on. Miss Florence Walker of Chicago is the substitute teacher during his absence.

This winter has been a great one for skunks. Walter Scott Bryan has caught four under his hackney stable and several under his lower barns. Raccoons have been numerous also. Mr. Bryan and friends have hunted and killed nearly a dozen.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Colliver will regret to learn of the death of their youngest child, Gladys at Berwyn where they have lived since their removal from Downers Grove a year ago. The funeral services were held at the home last Thursday and the interment was at Rose Hill.

Prof. O. M. Hearse gave an interesting and instructive lecture on "Boston" at the Congregational church Tuesday evening. The lecture was illustrated by more than 100 stereopticon views showing points of interest in and around the historic city. The proceeds, which were \$50, go to the school library fund.

The Woman's club meeting yesterday was devoted to the subject of "Music." The program opened with the overture from "William Tell" by Mrs. J. C. White and Miss Mabel Rutherford. Mrs. Julia Aldwell Fraser read a paper on "Primitive music—its development and influence," and Mrs. L. B. Chandler gave a short talk on "Music." Two vocal solos were given by Mrs. Rollo M. Cole.

The spring rally of the "Q" division of the C. E. Society will be held at the Congregational church in Downers Grove, Friday evening, March 25, at 7:30 o'clock. The speaker of the evening will be that splendid friend of all young people, Rev. Cleland B. McAfee, of the 4th street Presbyterian church, Chicago. An especially interesting and enthusiastic evening is anticipated and an invitation to be present is extended to everyone.

The closing attraction of the entertainment course Saturday evening was one of the best if not the most excellent entertainment of the season. Miss Mabelle Carolyn Church was the entertainer and she gave a varied program of selections in a manner that proclaimed her a ruler of more than ordinary ability. Miss Church is an able, faithful and effective reader and her work Saturday evening was ample proof of her superior merits and skill.

### FURNITURE COMPANY WILL BUILD.

Will Erect Three Story Brick Factory Building in Downers Grove Immediately.

The Downers Grove Furniture company has closed a contract for the erection of a brick factory building in Geotyn on the site of the factory formerly there. The building will be 50x100 feet in dimensions and three stories high. Work will be commenced on it immediately and they hope to have it so they can occupy it by June. They will equip it with necessary machinery and will manufacture their own product from start to finish. They expect to run quite a large force as they have a number of large contracts for lounges, chairs, etc., and orders coming in constantly. In order to meet this expense of building they have decided to put on sale stock in the company to the amount of \$5,000, cash at a discount of 20 per cent the same as the original stock was taken. The par value of a share is \$10 and all taken up to \$5,000 by the first of June will be subject to a discount of 20 per cent for cash. This offer only holds good till June 1, and will be withdrawn if the \$5,000 is taken previous to that date. Some of it is already taken and it is hoped our own citizens will see it to their interest to subscribe for it in order that it be controlled as much as possible by Downers Grove residents.

### EXPLODING LAMP BURNS REV. HAZEN.

A mistake by a dealer in filling an oil can with gasoline nearly caused Rev. H. Booth Hazen his life Friday night. As a result of a lamp filled with the liquid exploding, the clergyman has a severely burned hand and face. Only by his presence of mind was he saved from more serious consequences. The family were about to retire Friday evening and as usual lighted a hand lamp intending to leave it burning down stairs. The lamp had been filled with what was supposed to be kerosene delivered from the dealers that day. It had gone up stairs when acting upon an impulse that something was wrong Mr. Hazen returned below stairs to investigate. He found the lamp blazing furiously. Turning the wick down he started to throw the lamp out of doors. It exploded in his hand and the blazing fluid was scattered over his clothing, hands and face. With rare presence of mind he ran to the kitchen and plunged into a tub of water which fortunately happened to be standing there and extinguished the flames, not however, before he was seriously burned about the face and hands. Owing to his injuries Mr. Hazen was unable to fill his pulpit Sunday.

### TOWNSHIP PRIMARIES HELD SATURDAY.

Downers Grove township nominating primaries were held Saturday afternoon from 2 until 5 o'clock. The only contest was on the highway commissioner for the Hinsdale district. J. P. Mohr and Charles Mihm were the contestants. Mohr was elected by a vote of 351 to 104 for Mihm. Mohr received 205 votes in Hinsdale, 96 in Downers Grove and 50 in Lisle. Mihm polled 79 votes in Hinsdale, none in Downers Grove and 25 in Lisle. The other candidates on the ticket received the full vote. Chas. B. Blodgett, assistant supervisor; Frank A. Rogers, assessor; Conrad Buschman, collector; Nelson H. Webster, clerk and W. E. S. Trowbridge, justice, were nominated. Mr. Trowbridge declined to serve and J. W. Tackler was nominated by petition on the ticket Monday. A town committee consisting of Jan. McClintock, J. W. Rogers and J. F. Smart was chosen.

### SAVED FROM DEATH BY BEING SMALL.

Miss Gertrude Gibbs' small stature saved her from death on an elevated railway in Chicago Friday afternoon. Miss Gibbs, who is well known in Downers Grove where she resided for many years, as editor of an agricultural paper, attempted to board a train on the Northwestern elevated railway at the Dearborn street station Friday afternoon. She slipped and fell in front of a second train, which was following the one she attempted to board. She tried to climb back upon the platform, but was unable to do so, and was knocked down by the train. She fell beneath the car and, although the car passed over her body she was but slightly injured. She was taken to her home, 323 Warren avenue, in a cab.

### GENERAL CONFERENCE EXCURSION.

Rev. A. H. Kistler, pastor of Norwood Park Park M. E. church, Chicago, who is known to many of the readers of this paper, will have charge of an excursion over the Chicago and Northwestern railroad from Chicago to Los Angeles, Cal., to the Methodist general conference. Five days will be spent on route, Sunday being spent at Salt Lake City. Stops will be made at Denver and other important places. Round trip \$50. Full information may be obtained by writing to J. E. ...

### Death of A...

Mrs. Juliette H. ... Sunday After...

Daughter of Horace Aldrich, ... Downers Grove—Death of ... J. Towles Tuesday...

Mrs. Juliette H. ... was a resident of Downers Grove, daughter of one of the early settlers, died at the home of her son, Mrs. Kate B. ... on Sunday morning, ... While aged in years, her faculties were remarkably ... physically she appeared ... until a week before her death. Monday she was taken with an attack which aggravated a ... she was subject to, and ... finally failed until the end came ... morning.

The funeral services were held residence Tuesday morning 10 o'clock. Rev. H. R. ... St. Andrew's Episcopal church, ... and interment was made in ... land cemetery in Chicago.

Juliette H. Aldrich was the daughter of Horace Aldrich and ... Morristown, New York, ... She came with her parents to ... in 1834, and shortly thereafter moved to Downers Grove, ... being prominent among the ... here. Her marriage to ... Howe occurred at Downers Grove, ... 27, 1847. They lived in Chicago ... the death of her husband in ... ary, 1882, since which time she made her home with her ... Mrs. Kate B. ...

Mrs. Howe was a woman ... loved and respected by all who ... her, and among the older ... well as the younger generation ... numbered her friends by the ... lived a peaceful, quiet life, was ... lived studious and kept her mind ... posted on the affairs of the world, ... had scarcely in her long life ... serious illness and maintained ... wonderful energy of a strong and ... own mind and body until her ... She was devoted to her home and ... and her death is deeply ... by them and her many friends ... daughters, Mrs. Kate B. ... Downers Grove and Mrs. W. O. ... of Chicago, and a brother, T. W. ... of Downers Grove survive her.

Mrs. Herbert J. Towles, who ... been critically ill for more than a ... died at her home, 175 East Maple ... nue, Tuesday, aged 35 years. The ... services were held this morning ... 10 o'clock. Rev. Charles Reynolds ... and interment was made ... Oakwoods, Chicago, at 2 o'clock. The pall bearers were Messrs. W. Crawford of Dayton, Ohio, ... Templeton of Oak Park, Dr. W. Gouley of Downers Grove, E. B. ... James Douglas and B. E. Hall of ... Mrs. M. E. Towles was ... Govenry, Warwickshire, England, ... was married to Herbert J. Towles ... years ago and shortly thereafter ... came to America, locating in Chi ... Three years ago they moved to ... ers Grove. She is survived by her ... band and seven children to whom ... death has been a terrible ... and who have the heartfelt ... of the entire community.

### A NEW BOOK ABOUT NEBRASKA.

The best and most complete work on Nebraska ever produced has just been issued by the Burlington Route. It has 48 fully illustrated pages packed full of just the sort of information a prospective settler wants. In addition there is a large map of the state which is completely up to date. There is no other book of the sort when you want to know why have a better chance to succeed. It is a paradise for "good readers" they will not be compelled to turn to Nebraska. Send today for a copy of the book. No charge. P. R. ... Passenger traffic manager, 300 ... street, Chicago.

### ANNUAL VILLAGE ELECTION.

Notice is hereby given that on the day, the 19th day of April, 1904, at the village hall, in the village of Downers Grove, DuPage county, and State of Illinois, an election will be held to elect three trustees for two years and village clerk for one year, also election every election may vote one-half mill tax for a free public library, and for a free public library, and the same will be opened at 7 o'clock ... remain open until 5 o'clock ... of this 19th day of March. ...