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Receive Your Complaints

I would like to ask a few questions through The Reporter regarding the sewer system and of the public improvements put in last fall.

First, who is to blame for the inefficiency of the sewer as evinced by the flood last Saturday, January 19, when it failed to carry off the water on East Maple avenue? We were given to understand that after the culverts were put in that we would have no trouble at all, as the surface water would all be taken care of, but up to date the sewer has proved a failure.

Now the question as asked is who is to blame in this? What are they going to do to remedy the above?

Do we have to stand for this?—One of the Flood Survivors.

The Township High School

The question of establishing a township high school in Downers Grove township has been considered several times and some efforts have been made to secure the same, but nothing definite has resulted. At the last meeting of the board of education of Downers Grove public schools it was decided that President Jonas R. Foster should call a public meeting for the purpose of learning the sentiment of the school district on the desirability of establishing such a school. Accordingly this public meeting will be held at Modaff's hall on Thursday evening, January 31, at eight o'clock. It is hoped and desired that this meeting will be fully attended and that a full and free expression will be given to the question. In considering the question of establishing a township high school the first thing to be taken in account is whether such a school is necessary to meet the educational demands of the township. The township has a population of over eight thousand, and this means between fifteen hundred and two thousand pupils who must be provided for. Two village schools and the district schools of the county attempt to do this work. Of course they are doing it as well as they could under the circumstances, but the times demand that all educational work be done in the best manner possible and that these advantages be within the reach of all who are entitled to them. Education is the most important fact in life, and it is the important fact in education that it be well done. That the present schools of Downers Grove township are not meeting the educational demands of the day in the best manner possible is easy to show. In view of these facts it seems most necessary that provision be at once made for the establishment of a township high school. Other communities like this one have employed the township high school as the best means available for the education of the young people. More than fifty township high schools have been established in Illinois. Fifty per cent of these are near Chicago, where the population is dense enough to support such schools and the means of transportation ample to meet present demands. Most of the township high schools in Illinois have been established within the last ten years, and the list is growing larger every year in a marked degree. There are many other reasons equally as good as those given above why a township high school in Downers Grove township is necessary to meet the educational needs of the people. The railroad settles the question of location of such a school. It would be somewhere midway between the east and west boundaries of the township. It has been suggested that Grange meets the conditions in the best possible manner. Transportation to and from this point would be more easy than from any other place, considering everyone in the township. A school building necessary to meet the demands of a modern high school of several hundred pupils must be provided. It is important to take this into consideration in the plan of establishing such a school. The funds to build this building must be voted by the qualified voters of Downers Grove township. The success of the venture of establishing such a school depends to large measure upon the building and equipment. Such building should meet the demands and spirit of the times, and should be equipped in every respect to secure the best results. By establishing such a school it will be possible to meet the educational demand for the best teachers. The most important element in the school in one respect is the teacher. The best teachers could be secured and retained because the conditions under which they would work would be satisfactory and the salary would be adequate. It would seem that the township high school for Downers Grove township is the necessary and logical solution for all our educational difficulties and limitations. If this school is established the educational problem in this community will be permanently settled. As the matter now stands the educational work of the township is inadequately done. Scores of young men and women are leaving necessary educational training because the nearest means of education are not easily available. These young people are going to the city to complete their educational work, or for the educational opportunity for the desired training they should be offered in their own township. The high school is truly the capstone of our school system, and such a school should be established in our township. Efforts made to secure the same have been met with success at every attempt, and success at this time should crown the efforts made for it.

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a general to every young man and woman who would avail themselves of its privileges. The cost of maintaining such a school in one place would not be as great as the cost of maintaining small and inadequate schools elsewhere. While the plan of a township high school would not contemplate any extravagant expenditure of money, it is not claimed that it would be a cheaper plan. It is claimed that it would be a far better plan than the present plan. A large number of the citizens of Downers Grove township living in widely separated parts of the township have expressed themselves heartily in favor of a township high school. The meeting called for January 31 at Modaff's hall is for the purpose of discussing the plan and purposes set forth above and making proper arrangements to start a township high school.

Bowling Matches

Two bowling games were played at the athletic association alleys here this week. The result is as follows, the first game being played on January 23 and the second on January 17:

Married men from north side:

	1st Game.	2d Game.	3d Game.
B. C. White	132	142	155
C. Staats	178	150	144
T. Stevenson	123	114	130
C. Wolf	144	135	168
James Rhea	151	134	170
Totals	728	675	767

Married men from south side:

	1st Game.	2d Game.	3d Game.
L. Klein	118	114	134
H. H. Wolfersheim	146	154	137
Devereux	156	119	133
Mochel	101	122	113
Bauman	142	121	143
Totals	663	630	680

Chas. Reuss, score keeper.

Pin boys, Lester Gerwig, Ed Dent (sub).

First game:	
Hillard	162
Reba	201
J. D. A. Cross	80
Innes	112
Walters	123
	678
Second game:	
Hillard	164
Reba	159
J. D. A. Cross	117
Innes	117
Walters	129
	686
Third game:	
Hillard	147
Reba	102
J. D. A. Cross	146
Innes	126
Walters	138
	659
First game:	
Reuss	158
Latham	131
Nye	157
Smith	142
Willard	101
	689
Second game:	
Reuss	122
Latham	126
Nye	194
Smith	129
Willard	141
	689
Third game:	
Reuss	168
Latham	146
Nye	155
Smith	144
Willard	121
	734

Woodmen Honor an Old Member

Maple Camp, M. W. A., procured an elegant emblematic watch and charm and sent it to their retiring consul with the following letter: Downers Grove, Illinois, January, 1907. To J. C. F. Rommeiss: Esteemed Neighbor—Your associates in Maple Camp, Modern Woodmen of America, desire to express to you their sincere appreciation of your many years of effort in the promotion of Woodcraft, and to give substantial evidence of the pleasure and benefit derived from your example in raising the standard of manhood and doing your part for the protection of the home and family, thereby lessening the prospects of future distress in the community and elevating humanity. We ask you to accept and wear the accompanying token of remembrance upon your departure from us for a new residence, and extend to you our heartfelt good wishes for future welfare of yourself and those dependent upon your labors. With neighborly consideration we subscribe ourselves. Signed by officers, committees and members.

Mr. Rommeiss was one of the proprietors of a glass manufacturing company in Chicago, and has moved the factory and his family to Allegan, Michigan.

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Poultry Club Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Downers Grove poultry club was held last Friday evening, at which the new officers for the ensuing year were elected. The secretary-treasurer rendered his report showing the financial condition of the club, which is very satisfactory, and shows a larger cash balance and greater assets than ever before. The increase in membership during the year has been thirty-three per cent. A report of the receipts and disbursements of the annual show was also submitted, showing very satisfactory conditions and a profit to the club, notwithstanding the increased expense incurred this year in hiring an expert poultry judge, in having an extensive premium list with so many beautiful silver cups, four of which were bought by the club and nine of them being engraved at the club's expense; also in having premium ribbons of which the club and its members can feel justly proud, since they have attracted attention and elicited favorable comment not only at home, but have been written up in several of the largest and best poultry journals in the country. The total number of entries at this year's show was twenty-five per cent greater than last year. Door receipts were sixty per cent greater, sale of coupon tickets was fifty per cent greater, profits from the candy booth was thirty-two per cent greater, and the net receipts from all sources was fifty per cent greater than last year. All of the exhibiters were well satisfied and several from out of town have written the secretary, expressing their appreciation of the treatment they received and promising to be on hand next year with large strings of entries. In view of all these things, the executive committee of the club has decided to have a show next year, at the same time and place, and employing the same judge.

A vote of thanks was extended to the secretary, the superintendent, and the ladies who so kindly took charge of and made such a grand success of the candy booth, and a committee of three was appointed and instructed to purchase and present to them appropriate presents as a mark of the club's appreciation of their work.

The secretary, E. G. Lemon, declined to accept the nomination for any office for the ensuing term, on account of a press of business and lack of time to devote to the club's affairs, and the following officers were elected: W. H. Edwards, president; Dr. W. W. Gourley, 1st vice president; E. J. W. Dietz, 2d vice president; L. M. Cook, secretary and treasurer. The executive committee is made up of the president, secretary-treasurer, and the following five members: Messrs. Gourlay, Lemon, Hodges, Blodgett and Dietz.

Local Real Estate Transfers

Fred Hoffert has transferred part of lots seven and eight in Hoffert's subdivision to D. P. Thompson for $1,900.

W. H. Bradrick transfers to J. W. Tucker lots nineteen and twenty, block thirteen, Price & Company's addition to Downers Grove, for $1,000, and J. W. Tucker transfers the same to E. A. Stephens for same consideration.

The St. Joe Raged.

The continuous rain for two days and consequent freshet made the St. Joe river go on a real "rampage" on Saturday. Some cellars were flooded and the water got over the road in some places.

To Chicago newspaper delivery subscribers: Owing to the fact that we must settle with the publishers of the morning, evening and Sunday papers before the twelfth of each month, we must insist on payment for all newspapers in future before the tenth of each month. Collectors will call as an accommodation to patrons, but in many cases patrons are not at home or do not pay, so we have decided to notify all to pay before above date at our office (Reporter office) before the tenth of the month or papers will be stopped. This rule applies to all.—Crysler News Agency.

Some Modern Instances.

When the summer time is over and the leaves have quit the trees,
Then a melancholy hits you as you listen to the breeze,
For the goose-flesh then is present and you find it is no joke
When the frost is on the windows and your overcoat's in soak.

And 'tis then your summer wages you regretfully recall,
And the fun you had in blowing them is not comforting at all
When you shiver, blue and chilly, and you know you're dead, flat broke,
And the frost is on the windows and your overcoat's in soak.

Where are now the days of swelter and the nights so full of heat?
Where the underwear all gauzy and the Panama so neat?
Where are now the socks of openwork?—alas, it is no joke!
When the frost is on the windows and your overcoat's in soak.

You remember now with sorrow how you squandered all your dough,
When you have to dig up money for more coal each day or so,
And your heart is filled with sadness and your woe is hard to cloak
When the frost is on the windows and your overcoat's in soak.

Oh, there's nothing half so mournful as the wintry winter time,
When the ice gets on your whiskers and your hair is white with rime;
When your pockets they are empty and your breath pours out like smoke,
And the frost is on the windows and your overcoat's in soak.

Ah, 'tis then you wish you wandered on a far-off southern isle,
Where the costume most in fashion is a palm-leaf and a smile;
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