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Elbert C. Stanley, P. M.

A warning to all communities, especially to village officers who have the safety of the public in charge, should be taken from the awful catastrophe which befell the little town of Boyerstown, Pa., where out of a total population of 2,000, 175 people met death at Rhoades Opera House during the performance of a play, given by St. John's Lutheran church. It is said there is hardly a family in the place who is not mourning the death of some relative. Therefore it behooves us to look carefully to the safety of all public gatherings in the village and see to it that all due precautions are taken for their safety. For the mere thought of such a calamity happening to a little, happy, peaceful community as ours, is too awful to even contemplate.

TO THE PEOPLE OF DOWNERS GROVE.

Several times within the last week we have been asked about the associate editor and the personnel of the staff of the Downers Grove Reporter. I wish to answer this question publicly, by appointing the whole population of Downers Grove and vicinity as associate editors and reporters. This being a paper for the people and by the people, I hope that every man and woman in the village will take a personal interest and pride in making the paper what it ought to be: welcome and indispensable in the home of every subscriber. You can best assist me by sending or bringing in any little news item you hear. It may not be of much consequence to the community as a whole, but will interest some one, you may rest assured. Now, a word of advice. If you have a grouch against the village, or your neighbor, don't bring it to the editor and expect him to exploit it for you. Root it out and bury, bury it so deep that it can never be resurrected. You will not only be doing a kindness to the village or your neighbor, but a greater one to yourself. Any time you have a word to say for the common good and advancement of the village or its residents, or wish to criticise in a friendly spirit, come around, and we will extend the glad hand and give you all the space desired to publish your views in this paper. Thanking you in advance for any service or kindness you may extend to me, and with the hope that I may be of some use to the community, I am sincerely yours,

C. H. STAATS.

Local Happenings

(Continued from First Page.)

used for foundation on Macadam streets.

—Mrs. Hattie Tiffany has been ill for several days at her home on Maple avenue.

—The Penochle Club had a social time at the home of Joseph Steiger last Saturday evening.

—The choir of the Baptist Church are preparing to give a sacred concert Sunday evening, Jan. 26.

—Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Rowland, of Goodland, Ind., are visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity.

—Miss Mariana Roe and Mrs. C. Haller attended the piano recital given by Paderewski in Orchestra Hall, Jan. 11th.

—The Downers Grove Young Men's Club is moving along rapidly and will be in full swing in a few days. All it needs is a few hustlers.

—Mr. F. J. Alderson is superintending the Electric Appliance Company's exhibit at the electrical show in the Chicago Coliseum this week.

Miss Emma Lehman desires to express her thanks to all the friends and relatives for their kind sympathy and assistance in the hour of her bereavement.

—Wm. F. Davis, of Braidwood, father of Mrs. C. F. Davis, died at 10:30 Thursday. Funeral will be held at Braidwood Saturday at 11 a. m. Interment at Wilmington.

—Pastor Farmiloe is announced to preach in the Grace Methodist Church, Elgin, next Sunday morning. He will return in time for the evening service. Dr. Reynolds will preach for him Sunday morning.

—The members of the Congregational church will take a final vote on the matter of a change in the Sunday morning service from 10:45 to 10:30 a. m. on next Sunday morning, Jan. 19.

Mrs. Anna Maercker and family, widow of the late Charles G. Maercker, desire to most sincerely thank the many friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted them in their recent bereavement.

Rev. Farmiloe installed the officers of Camp 51 of the Woodmen, Rockford, Ill., on Friday evening, Jan. 17, also attended a meeting of the trustees of Rock River Conference in Chicago on Tuesday.

The Ladies' Aid of the Congregational Church will give an afternoon "quilting party" Thursday, Jan. 23, at the home of the president, Mrs. George Hughes, 59 Saratoga avenue. This is the first meeting of the year and the ladies hope to see all of the members and friends in attendance.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist Church met at the church last Friday afternoon and held their annual election of officers. The officers for the year 1908 are as follows: President, Mrs. Emerson Stanley; Vice President, Mrs. Charles Caldwell; Secretary, Mrs. W. B. Towsley; Treasurer, Mrs. J. B. Huling.

—All back subscriptions and advertising bills owing the Downers Grove Reporter up to January 8th are payable to Graham A. Wyllie. As Mr. Wyllie is greatly in need of the money in order to settle up his accounts, an immediate remittance will be appreciated. All subscription renewals are payable to C. H. Staats, present manager.

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NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS.

I will be in Downers Grove at Plevka and McDougall's hardware store, on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 28 and 29th, and each Tuesday and Wednesday during February.

EDW. F. NEIDIG.

Only a Tramp.

A recent incident which holds in its simple outlines the possibility of past tragedy, is described in the New York Times. It is another illustration of how careless the world is of the individual, and how thick is the cloak which one may wrap about his personality. The other day a laborer employed by the Erie Railroad in Jersey City was run over by a train and had his leg cut off.

A policeman telephoned for an ambulance. The injured man lay on a grass patch, apparently bleeding to death. Just then a typical railroad tramp in dirty rags sauntered along. He tapped a policeman's elbow.

"May I ask what is the matter, officer?" he inquired.

"Man bleeding to death," replied the policeman.

"Would you mind if I looked at him?" asked the tramp. "I might be of service?"

"Go ahead," responded the officer.

Bending low over the wounded laborer, the tramp asked for water to wash his hands, and then begged the crowd for clean handkerchiefs. With a half-dozen deft, rapid twists he made a tourniquet, and stopped the flow of blood.

"Are you a doctor?" some one asked, as the man slipped away through the crowd.

"I used to be," he replied, as he hurried off.

Both Better Off.

"Don't grieve; your husband is better off."

"So am I," responded the young widow; "he carried $25,000 life insurance."
—Houston Post.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Local Improvements of the Village of Downers Grove, Du Page County, Illinois, will receive proposals or bids until the hour of 8:00 p. m. on the 24th day of January, A. D. 1908, at the Village Hall of said Village, for the grading, paving with macadam, and otherwise improving Linscott avenue from the north line of Belmont street to the south line of Franklin street; East Parkway from the east line of Linscott avenue to the south line of Franklin street, as a connected system, including all labor and material.

APPROXIMATE QUANTITIES.

1271 cubic yards excavation.
2775 square yards granite top macadam pavement
435 feet concrete combined curb and gutter
2230 lineal feet sod edge.
5 inlets.
145 lineal feet 10-inch inlet pipe.

Plans and specifications for said work may be examined at the office of G. H. Bunge, Attorney for said Village, second floor of the Security Building, Chicago, Illinois, or at the office of J. S. Lozier, engineer, at the Village of Downers Grove.

Said proposals or bids shall be delivered to the President of the Board of Local Improvements of said Village, and will not be considered unless accompanied by a check, certified to by some reliable Chicago or Downers Grove bank, payable to the order of said President in his official capacity, for not less than 10 per cent of the aggregate amount of said proposal or bid. Payment for said improvement to be made by special assessment bonds or vouchers; said bonds shall draw interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum. Said proposals or bids will be opened, examined and publicly declared by said Board at a meeting to be held at the Village Hall on the 24th day of January, A. D. 1908, as herein provided.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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APPROXIMATE QUANTITIES.

51933 square feet, 5-inch concrete walk.
790 cubic yards excavation.
3228 cubic yards of filling.
51933 square feet cinders 6 inches depth.
2 concrete culverts.
1 concrete culvert.

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APPROXIMATE QUANTITIES.

1220 lineal feet of 15-inch vitrified tile storm and surface water drains.
1615 lineal feet of 12-inch vitrified tile storm and surface water drains.
6570 lineal feet of 10-inch vitrified tile storm and surface water drains.
2500 lineal feet of 10-inch vitrified tile storm and surface water drains.
98 cast iron storm and surface water inlets of the adjustable curb and gutter pattern.
24 brick manholes 3 feet internal diameter, average depth of 4 feet 8 inches.

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SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT. NO. 22.

Public notice is hereby given to all persons interested, that the Board of Local Improvements of the Village of Downers Grove, Du Page County, Illinois, having let the contract for the construction of vitrified tile storm and surface water drains in Maple avenue, Ross court, Carpenter street, Curtiss street, Foote street, Grove street, Washington street, Benton avenue, Railroad street, Belden avenue, Mackey place, Fairmont avenue, in said Village, and the same having been completed and accepted by said Board on the 6th day of January, A. D. 1908, said certificate showing the said improvement conforms substantially to the original ordinance for the construction of the same and the cost thereof, the amount estimated by said Board be required to pay the accruing interest on bonds and vouchers issued to anticipate the collection of said improvement, the hearing will be had at Wheaton, Du Page County, Illinois, on the 3d day of February, A. D. 1908, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m., or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will permit.

All persons desiring may file objections in said Court and may appear at the hearing and make their defense.

Dated this 7th day of December, A. D. 1907.

Downers Grove, Illinois.

J. W. HUGHES,
J. W. GRAVES,
E. SCHULTZ,
GEO. B. HEARTT,
Board of Local Improvements, Village of Downers Grove.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NO. 23.

Public notice is hereby given to all persons interested that the Board of Local Improvements of the Village of Downers Grove, Du Page County, Illinois, having let the contract for the paving of South Main street in said Village, and the same having been completed and accepted by the said Board, on the 27th day of December, A. D. 1907, and the certificate showing that the said improvement conforms substantially to the original ordinance for the construction of the same, and the cost thereof, and the amount estimated by said Board to be required to pay the accruing interest on bonds and vouchers issued to anticipate the collection of said improvement, the hearing will be had on said certificate in the County Court at Wheaton, Du Page County, Illinois, on the 3d day of February, A. D., 1908, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m., or as soon thereafter as the business of the court will permit.

All persons interested and desiring may file objections in said court before said date, and may appear at the hearing and make their defense.

Dated at Downers Grove, Illinois, this 27th day of December, A. D. 1907.

J. W. Hughes,
J. W. Graves,
E. Schultz,
Geo. B. Heartt,
Board of Local Improvements of the Village of Downers Grove.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NO. 25.

Special notice is hereby given to all persons interested that the Board of Local Improvements of the Village of Downers Grove, Du Page County, Illinois, having let the contract for the paving of Maple avenue in said Village, and the same having been completed and accepted by the said Board, on the 27th day of December, A. D. 1907, and the certificate showing that the said improvement conforms substantially to the original ordinance for the construction of the same, and the cost thereof, and the amount estimated by said Board to be required to pay the accruing interest on bonds and vouchers issued to anticipate the collection of said improvement, the hearing will be had on said certificate in the County Court at Wheaton, Du Page County, Illinois, on the 3d day of February, A. D., 1908, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m., or as soon thereafter as the business of the court will permit.

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MAPLE CAMP, NO. 808—Meets the second Thursday of each month at Modaff's Hall. W. H. Barnhart, Clerk.

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