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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE VILLAGE BOARD.

Downers Grove, Ill., March 9, 1908.
The regular meeting for the month of March, 1908, was called to order by President Hughes. Roll call noted present, Trustees Branson, Heatt, Graves and Singletary. Absent, Trustees Schultz and Bradbury.

The minutes of Feb. 10th, 14th, 20th and 25th, March 2nd and 5th were read and approved.

The following communication from the fire department was read: We, the undersigned, after a careful inspection of our school houses submit the following suggestions for the safeguarding of the pupils of the same. South Side school house: That the ceiling of the laboratory be sheeted with sheet iron or asbestos; that the doors in the old part of the school be made to open outward instead of inward as at present; that entrance from old part to new part be widened; that all window fastenings be opened at opening of school; that fire escapes be erected on the south end of old building with connections for two rooms to same. North side school house: That railing around staircase on second floor be made at least 3 feet 6 inches high; that all doors be made to swing outward instead of inward as at present; that one fire escape be erected at the south side and one at the north side of the building. Signed Louis Klein, chief of the fire department; John Woelfersheim, President; C. H. Staats, Secretary. President Foster, of the school board, being present stated that the suggestions of the fire department would be carried out by the school board.

The following was also read from the fire department: We, the undersigned, submit the following suggestions for your approval: That a fire escape be ordered at the rear end of Modaff's hall; that a fire escape be erected at the north side of Dicke's hall; that a fire escape be erected on the Masonic hall, Oldfield building, on Main street side. Signed Louis Klein, John Woelfersheim, C. H. Staats. Matter was referred to ordinance committee.

Claim Ordinance No. 202, providing for the payment of certain claims, was read and was as follows: Henry Schom, \$7; Thos. W. Drew, \$18; Brooks Coal Co., \$31.75 and \$312.24; W. H. Mertz, \$55.50; J. R. Foster, \$8.25; Sam Hoffert, \$3.75; Electric Appliance Co., \$10.00; P. A. Lord & Co., \$3.42; Advance Parking Co., \$17.05; Fowler Frankenthal, \$2; Uranium Electric Co., \$2.50; A. F. Beldingman, \$3.25; G. R. Ritzenthaler, \$89.75; Chas. Kester, \$65; H. E. Overholt, \$65; Geo. Gieseler, \$64; Wm. Ranker, \$70; Geo. Hoffert, \$55; J. W. Rogers, \$42; G. H. Bunge, \$15; Bert White, \$25; Sam Curtis, \$77.25; G. H. Heatt, \$7.50; M. K. Henson, \$1.50; E. Schultz, \$7.50; L. E. Singletary, \$1.50; J. W. Bradbury, \$4.50; Fannie Gilbert, \$15; J. G. Wallace, \$22.50; A. E. Riedel, \$42.92; R. O. Curtis, \$40.62; M. R. Downer, \$55.62; W. J. Merzenthal, \$11.50; Jas. Schuber, \$32.00; Fred Buschman, \$28.50; Downers Grove Reporter, \$121.94; totals, general fund, \$429.74; street and alley fund, \$113; water and light, \$411.47; special assessment No. 22, \$15; special assessment No. 14, \$22.50. Upon motion of Trustee Heatt and Singletary claim ordinance was put upon its passage and passed. Those voting are: Trustees Branson, Heatt, Singletary and Graves. Ayes, none.

An ordinance providing for fire as (Continued on Page Three)

WEEKLY WEATHER BULLETIN For the Week Ending April 20, 1908.

GENERAL SUMMARY.
The mean temperature for the State during the week ending April 20th, was about 4 degrees above the seasonal average. The highest temperatures occurred on the 13th and 19th. A cool wave with frost forming temperatures passed over the State the night of the 15th. Light to heavy frosts were reported in the northern and central districts, but no visible damage ensued. The temperature extremes were 20 degrees in the northern and 83 degrees in the southern district. The season at this time as compared with the corresponding period last year, is considerably advanced. Last year the average weekly temperature deficiency at this time was 13 degrees.

The rainfall was mostly deficient, but moisture is not needed, the soil being wet and heavy in many places. There were four bright sunny days and three cloudy days. The average sunshine for the State was about 55 per cent.

THE PHILATHEA ANNIVERSARY.

The Philathea Bible Class of the M. E. Church celebrated their first anniversary by entertaining Dr. Farmiloe's class of ladies and the men's classes and their wives and sweethearts.

Mrs. Cook, president, called the house to order and gave a short address, in which she stated there were but eleven charter members, and they now numbered forty-nine. Also that they were the first Bible class to organize in the Grove and the only organized strictly woman's class here.

She then called Mrs. Moore, chairman of the social committee, to the chair, they having the entertainment in charge. Program—Photo guessing contest. Miss McLean, first prize; Mrs. F. M. Jones, consolation prize. Song—Philathea Class. Mrs. Cook, Piano; Mrs. Dewey, Violin. Address of Welcome. Miss Barnore, Teacher. Piano Solo. Mrs. Cook, Address. Mr. Peters, R. S. Stupf, Clarinet Solo. Mr. Greenwood, Reading. Mr. Allen, Prayer. Dr. Farmiloe, Song—Philathea National Hymn. Refreshments. The class colors of blue and white were very effectively used in decorating. Souvenirs were napkins on which there was the golden cross and the word Philathea class emblem.

FALSE ALARM.

There was an alarm of fire Sunday morning which caused considerable excitement when it became known that it was turned in from the North Side schoolhouse, but fortunately it turned out to be a false alarm, much to the disappointment of some of the small boys who already had visions of an extended vacation while chasing after the firemen on their way to the school. The village authorities and the fire department are very anxious to find out who turned in the alarm, but repeated inquiries in the neighborhood failed to reveal the author. It is thought that someone made a mistake or purposely made the call to fool the firemen. If the latter, and it is found out, they will find it a pretty costly joke. The telephone operator has orders to get the number of any one reporting a fire hereafter.

POULTRY CLUB NOTES.

The regular monthly meeting of the Poultry Club was held in the office of the president, W. H. Edwards, on Friday evening, April 17th, 1908. It was decided at this meeting to hold our next annual poultry show on Dec. 21st, 1908, and Jan. 1 and 2, 1909. The Auditorium has again been secured. Also the club has secured the services of Mr. W. S. Russell, of Ottumwa, Iowa, to judge the poultry at the show. Mr. Russell is widely known in the poultry world, and the club is sure they have secured a man who will judge the show to the satisfaction of all exhibitors. This will be the fifth annual show given by the club, and we expect to make this the most successful yet a year.

Take good care of the chicks you are now hatching, and be with us in the show room at our show next winter. DOWNERS GROVE POULTRY CLUB, E. M. Diemer, Secretary and Treasurer.

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RESTAURANT AND LUNCH ROOM.

Mr. and Mrs. Helin, from Chicago, have moved to 54 Foote street, formerly occupied by Sines, where they will run a first-class restaurant and lunch room.

FOUND.

On Easter morning, near the North Side School House, a new pearl handed pocket knife. The owner can have it by proving property and paying for this ad. J. FRIDHAM, 46 Prater Avenue.

EASTER SERVICES AT THE CHURCHES.

The Easter services in the M. E. Church given throughout the day were enjoyed by all in attendance. The church service in the morning was uplifting and satisfying. The program by the Sunday School was very pleasing and brought out in a pretty, simple way, the Easter thought. The crowning success of the day was the beautiful cantata given by the choir in the evening. It was well rendered and the solos and choruses work gave evidence of much careful preparation, and the whole effect was a wonderful glimpse into that first Easter of long ago.

EASTER SUNDAY AT THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Easter Sunday at the Congregational Church was one of the most successful days in our history. The church was simply but beautifully decorated with evergreens and lilies. A large golden cross was suspended from the ceiling of the choir loft and in purple letters, "He Is Risen."

The choir of twenty voices, under the leadership of Mr. B. L. Kellogg, rendered excellent music, which was appreciated by a large audience, which filled the auditorium.

At the request of many the choir will repeat the program at the Vesper service on Sunday next, April 25.

The Sunday School met at the regular hour and reached high water mark. There were 187 present.

The Vesper hour was in charge of the Sunday School, which rendered an excellent program.

Thus the church was filled to its capacity at morning, Sunday School and Vesper hours of the day.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Congregational Church will hold a social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Stusser, 75 Highland avenue, on Monday evening, April 27th.

A cordial invitation is extended to all the members and their friends.

EASTER SERMON.

Rev. B. L. PRESCOTT.
Easter Sunday morning at the Baptist Church, Rev. B. L. Prescott preached from the text "I am He that liveth and was dead, and behold I am alive forevermore." Rev. 1:18. The subject given the discourse was "The Dead and the Living Christ."

He spoke of the circumstances which preceded the revelation containing the text. Rev. Prescott said that "these words were spoken sixty years after Christ had gone to his Father. John, the disciple, had been banished to the sea, which was not inhabited—wild beasts were there. Nothing but the roar of the surf beating on the shore greeted his ears. "But," he continued, "God has a wonderful way of remunerating those who suffer in His name. God rolled back the curtain of eternity and permitted John to look beyond what human vision had been allowed to see. It was on this island that the post-mortem vision was given to John."

No question but that these last words referred to Christ's death. He then recounted the crucifixion tragedy and said: "No results ever came forth from a sepulchre containing a dead body. But He is risen! He who was dead in the sepulchre is risen again. This truth is held up today all over Christendom, the truth that is so strong an evidence of the Divinity of the life and work of Jesus Christ." He stated that he had not time to go into the argument of the resurrection in its entirety, but continued: "No church could have been built on the fact of a dead Christ. The church stands today because it is built upon that rock—that Divine Rock—the resurrection of Jesus Christ. We are here today because of this great fact. Men and women are gathering everywhere because of this; beautiful flowers are brought her in honor of this event. Christ is risen!"

The sermon was concluded by the words: "God help us to go from this place rejoicing because of a living Christ."

Among the Churches

—Christian Science church will meet at Modaff's hall Sunday at 10:45 a. m.
—St. Joseph's Parish, Mass at 10:30 a. m. High mass first Sunday of month. Pastor J. A. Bollman.
—Methodist Episcopal church, F. F. Farmiloe, pastor. Morning service, 10:30. Sunday school, 12:05. Junior League, 3 p. m. Epworth League, 6:30 p. m. Evening service, 7:30.

—German Evangelical—Services at the Congregational Church Sunday at 2:30, marked by the confirmation of four boys and four girls and the celebration of the communion. Rev. Merbach, pastor.

—Lisle Church—Sunday school at 9:45. Mrs. Allee V. Lacey, superintendent. Morning church service at 10:45. Sermon by the pastor; subject, "The Boy Who Stayed at Home." In the evening the C. E. will hold its semi-annual election of officers. Miss Estelle E. Hatch, president. Subject of the evening sermon, "Two Types of Conversion—the Earthquake and the

Opening Flower." Annual church election Saturday evening, April 25.

—Baptist Church—The pastor, B. L. Prescott, will preach morning and evening. Morning subject, "The Need of the Hour for the Local Church." Sunday school at 12 m. Come and enjoy a live Sunday school. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. The young people will be glad to welcome you. The evening hour, 7:30, subject, "A Call to the Thirsty." Good music and a cordial welcome to you.

—Regular services will be held at the Evangelical Church on West Maple avenue next Sunday. The pastor will preach in the German language at 11 a. m. and in the English language at 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Y. P. U. at 6:45 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all the friends of God's cause to attend these services.

—St. Andrew's Episcopal Church—The Easter services at St. Andrew's were very impressive and drew out a large congregation. At the celebration thirty-five received. The offering, which was for the current expenses of the mission, was \$71. This will more than pay all outstanding obligations, and we start the new year with a balance on the right side. Services on Sunday, April 26, as usual. Sunday school, 10 a. m. Morning prayer with sermon by the Rev. G. D. Adams, 11 p. m. The Easter music will be repeated. A cordial invitation to all.

—Congregational Church—Morning service at 10:30 a. m. Theme, "How Four Eyes Were Opened." The Sunday school session meets at 12 noon. Vesper service at 5 o'clock. C. E. at 6 o'clock. Subject, "Foreign Missions." Leader, Mabel Leech. Junior C. E. on Wednesday afternoon at 3:45. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Leader, Harry Blomser.

Cass Correspondence

—Miss Gertie Heatt rejoices in the possession of a splendid new piano.

—James Craiguello, of Dalhart, Texas, is visiting relatives at Cass.

—Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Oldfield and family expect to take a trip to Indiana in the near future.

—Lee Littlefield is busy sowing oats on the Mrs. C. Baker farm, which he has rented, this week.

—Frank Anders, of Downers Grove, is building a new fence in front of Frank Gregory's place.

—Chas. Hawkins is having some drain the laid on his farm in Cass. Sam Peterson is doing the work.

—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Decker, near Barbara Corners, are rejoicing in the arrival of a nine-pound girl.

—Mrs. Mathew Pfalzer, living near Barbara Corners, died last Tuesday morning at her home after a lingering illness. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kohley, of Lisle.

—As the result of the school election in District 96, Geo. Machel was elected director in place of James Welch. The coal hauling contract was awarded to James Welch at \$1.25 per ton.

—The funeral of Ed. Selter, who died at St. Joseph's hospital last Wednesday, was held at his late residence Saturday, and was largely attended. His mother is at the point of death as the result of the shock at the untimely sudden death of an only son. Louis Long, his slayer, has so far eluded the officers of the law.

Local Happenings

10 CORRESPONDENTS.
All communications for this paper should be accompanied by the name of the writer, and necessarily be published, but as an evidence of good faith on the part of the writer. Write only on one side of the paper. Be particularly careful in giving names and dates, to have the letters and figures plain and distinct.

—Majority rule.
—"A public office is a public trust."
—A No. 1 ham, 13 cents a pound, L. Klein.
—Mr. John Stewart spent Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. Juneau.
—Seventy-five per cent are satisfied.
—We have several good bargains in real estate advertised this week.

—Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Potter are happy over the arrival of a baby girl.
—The people have spoken.
—Try something new: Rice pudding in 2-pound cans, at F. Gerwig's.

—Mrs. Jack Juneau has a friend spending the week with her from the city.
—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cooper are the proud parents of a baby boy, born April 24.

—Don't put away your winter clothes until you have purchased a package of Red Cedar Flakes, guaranteed to keep moths away. 10 cents a package at Modaff's Pharmacy.
—Miss Carrie Barnore spent the Sabbath at her home in Nebraska.

—Onward with improvements.
—Small smoked picnic hams, 10 cents a pound, at L. Klein's.
—Mr. and Mrs. King Bush are in their own home at 125 Carpenter street.
—Mrs. Charles Blodgett, on Maple avenue, is very much better after her long illness.

VILLAGE ELECTION.

Caucus Ticket Ratified.

The election for village officers on Tuesday was made interesting from the fact of the spirited way in which the two factions worked to get out the votes.

The result was not near so close as most people figured, the regular caucus ticket winning by a two to one vote. The result would indicate that the big majority of the voters are in favor of the improvements contemplated and started by the old board, as the candidates who were elected have practically pledged themselves to further the improvements.

The total vote cast was 506, a record for the village, distributed as follows: Citizens' caucus ticket for Trustees, John Willis Handy, 374; C. H. Dicke, 236; E. M. Gallup, 253; Village Clerk, Bert C. White, 388; Citizens' independent ticket for Trustees, L. R. Puffer, 216; Wm. J. McElroy, 212; Louis R. Wells, 197; Village Clerk, John Findlay, 174.



John Willis Handy is a retired farmer, has lived in Downers Grove seven years, has the time to devote to village business, and will no doubt prove a valuable man on account of being in the village all day.

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E. M. Gallup has lived in Downers Grove for fifteen years, is married and owns his own home on Highland avenue. He has a responsible position with W. H. Merritt & Co., grain dealers on the Board of Trade, brings to the Board good executive ability, and we feel sure will fulfill the duties devolving upon him to the satisfaction of the taxpayers of the village.

well known on account of his long connection with the Board as Village Clerk to require any introduction. He has filled the office well and conscientiously and been complimented by the officials at Wheaton for the careful and comprehensive way in which the records of the village have been kept. The records have always been open to inspection, and no one has ever gone to him for any information as to village business but what he would get it.

A MUSICAL TREAT AT THE AUDITORIUM

The high school pupils have prepared for presentation the cantata "Belshazzar," which they will present at the Auditorium on Friday evening, May 1. Some of the soloists who will assist come from Chicago. They are: Miss Swartz, Miss Kastholm, Mr. Barnard and Mr. Chestnut.

Miss Lillian Dawes is the accompanist. Mr. Ralph Herring and Mr. B. L. Kellogg will assist in chorus work. It is earnestly hoped that these young people will be able to do credit to themselves in their effort to please you.

You are cordially invited to be present. The price of admission will be 25 cents.

CARD OF THANKS.

Mrs. F. L. Fress desires to thank the friends and people of Downers Grove for their kindness and sympathy during the doctor's illness and death.

Not one man in a hundred has sense enough to take care of money after he gets it.

THE WOMAN'S CLUB.

The newly-elected officers of the Woman's Club are: President—Dorothy R. Leman. Vice-president—Fannie M. Bunge. Rec. Secretary—Jessie M. Bryan. Cor. Sec.—Mary E. Burns. Treasurer—Allie L. White.

At the annual meeting on Wednesday the usual all-day session was held, luncheon being served in the club rooms.

During the morning the chairman of each standing committee gave a report of the work done by her committee through the year, and considerable other business was disposed of.

The regular afternoon session was opened with a most excellent address by the retiring president, Fannie M. Stewart, following which came the reports of the other officers.

Mrs. Dietz, chairman of the program committee for 1908-1909, submitted the program prepared by her committee, and same was adopted without any changes.

Following the election of officers and chairman of the various committees the club adjourned until the second Wednesday in October.

DEATH OF LEO BOBOWSKI.

Leo Bobowski, aged 17 years, died at the home of his mother in Downers Grove April 18th, 1908, of consumption after a lingering illness of one year.

Funeral was held April 19th, 1908, at St. Mary's Church in Coxsack and interment made in Catholic cemetery at York Center.

Mrs. Frances Bobowski and family wish to thank the many friends who kindly aided them in their recent bereavement.

BEAUTIFUL DOWNERS GROVE PROPERTY FOR SALE

No. 237 East Maple Avenue.
The Home of W. Harry Spears, Formerly Editor of the Downers Grove Reporter.
THE BEAUTIFUL, modern constructed house and one lot is offered for sale at a very low figure because of the owner having sold his business in Downers Grove and bought a newspaper in Mandan, North Dakota.

The lot is fifty feet, fronting on Maple avenue, the newly laid paved street, with five-foot four-inch cement walk and beautiful parking, and one hundred and sixty feet deep, with a fourteen-foot fronting on Blodgett avenue sliced off in the southeast corner, and a sixteen-foot slice across rear. Lot fenced with wire netting and cedar posts, new lawn, seventy dollars' worth of shrubs, planted last year; beautiful twenty-inch diameter maple in front, whose branches spread forty feet; two cherry trees, one pear tree, currant bushes; house full two-story; basement seven feet, under whole building; two-foot wall; gas throughout building for cooking, heating in spring and fall, and lighting, latter fitted with Black light mantles; interior recently repapered and exterior repainted; Georgia pine flooring all through building; contains parlor, dining room, reception room, pantry and kitchen downstairs; three bedrooms, bathroom, alcove upstairs; all gas-stove rooms; hot and cold water on both floors; hot water tank, heated by instantaneous gas heater; soft water in kitchen; cistern.

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