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## GROVE LODGE ANNIVERSARY.

Last Friday evening Grove Lodge No. 824, A. F. and A. M., celebrated its 15th anniversary, by a special communion and banquet. After the lodge was opened in due form, W. M. Ed. Huntington called on Bro. Baldwin, who in a neat and flowery speech informed Dist. Dept. G. M. McCredie, who was present, that Grove Lodge had honored itself by honoring him, in electing him as an honorary member of Grove Lodge, and presented him with a handsome engraved membership card.

Bro. McCredie was so overcome by the eloquence of the presentation speech that for once in his life he was at a loss as to what to say. He, however, expressed his appreciation of the honor and that it was a never to be forgotten event in his life.

After closing the lodge the members and visiting brothers descended to the parlors on the second floor, where tables had been prepared for a banquet. After refreshments had been indulged in the cigars were passed and a flood of oratory, of wit and humor interspersed with reminiscences by the charter members and P. M. was let loose and thoroughly enjoyed by those present.

The following visitors were present from Aurora: Grand Lecturer James McCredie, R. N. Strohm and A. M. Snook; from Naperville, N. J. Wagner, Alex. McDowell, H. E. Kaller, Chas. D. Faust, C. E. Haydon, C. P. Dorn, E. E. Stark and E. C. Shaffer; from La Grange, R. E. Fletcher, P. M.

## OLD SOLDIERS, TAKE NOTICE.

Wheaton, Nov. 4, 1908. The Board of Supervisors of Du Page County hereby invites every old soldier of Du Page County to meet with them at the Court House in Wheaton on Thursday, Nov. 12, 1908, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

You are requested to bring with you any war relics that you may wish to place in the memorial hall, where arrangements have been made for their proper care.

C. B. BLODGETT,  
W. W. STEVENSON,  
FRED NEIDELMEYER,  
Committee.

Charles H. is said to have first encouraged the public appearance of women on the stage in England in 1602.

## HOME TALENT ENTERTAINMENT.

"The Union Depot," songs and dialogue, at Auditorium next Tuesday night.

Fifty young men and women, boys and girls will take part in the musical comedy, "The Union Depot," at the Auditorium next Tuesday night. The entertainment abounds in catchy choruses, funny dialogues, with songs, hits, and drills by the children. The Back Entertainment Company, which gave "The County Fair" here last year, is directing "The Union Depot." The success of "The County Fair" is well remembered.

The Women's Guild of St. Andrew's Episcopal church, has charge of the affair.

## WOMEN'S CLUB NOTES.

The executive board of the Women's Club met at the home of the president, Mrs. E. G. Lemon last Monday, and held their regular monthly meeting.

Wednesday, Oct. 28, was Federation day at the Women's Club, Mrs. James Burns giving a lengthy and beautiful report of the biennial convention held in Boston, Mrs. G. H. Hunge bringing the report of the state federation at St. Louis. The music was furnished by Mrs. T. Murray, who sang a solo entitled "Greeting," Mrs. Murray's singing is always enjoyed.

The Riverside Woman's Club met at the home of Mrs. James Bowie Thursday, Oct. 29. The day was in charge of Mrs. Holmes, who talked on the first 50 years of English history and literature. Mrs. Holmes quoted ancient poetry from different ancient authors. Mrs. E. G. Lemon was present, she being a special friend of Mrs. Bowie.

## THE PHILATHEAS.

Mrs. Thomas Potter and Mrs. Geo. Chapman entertained the Philathea Monday evening, November 24. More than twenty were present, and a number of important questions came before the club for consideration.

A civic committee was appointed to see if in any manner we might help in the betterment of our village, also a committee was appointed to prepare an Australian ballad for our coming election in January. A class contest was decided on, and Miss Annie Meyers and Mrs. Grace Dewey were appointed captains; contest to begin the first Sunday in December and run for three months. The losers to furnish the supper.

Next meeting at Mrs. Gewin's, first Monday in December. Come and hear our good reports and join in saying "We do things."

## HALLOWE'EN PARTIES.

All Hallowe'en with its traditional accessories of witches, ghosts, owls and ungodly things, which terrorize mortals, was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Bush and Mrs. H. P. Jones last Saturday evening. Some fifty guests took part in the merriment and a feature of the evening, which made a decided impression on those who heard it, was the music by the "Little German Band," arranged for the rendition of popular and unpopular airs.

Costumes appropriate to the occasion were donned by the women guests and each man was decorated with a Happy Hooligan hat and a pumpkin yellow necktie before he was permitted to take part in the festivities.

The local hive of the Lady Macbeves celebrated Hallowe'en with a mask party at the home of the Messrs. Rose and Lenora Kline.

The guests were met at the door by Mother Goose, who welcomed them in behalf of the order. Each guest was numbered and given pencil and paper to guess who the grotesque figures were. All entered into the spirit of the contest enthusiastically, after which the masks were removed, evening much merriment by disclosing the identity of the persons. The prize for the greatest number of correct guesses was awarded to Red Riding Hood, well represented by Mrs. Lena Kline.

Original weird stories were told around a witch's fire, and the fates of the guests were revealed by a Norumbold maiden, after which the guests were conducted into the dining room, where the floor was carpeted with gumpun leaves, upon which they were seated.

A three-course supper was served.

A most enjoyable Hallowe'en party was given by Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bush, in honor of their daughter, Nov. 3, last Saturday evening. Various games suitable for the occasion were played, after which refreshments were served. Among those present were Misses Agnes Stevens, Ruth Hughes, Barbara Skelly, Winifred Hemphill, Ruth Briggs, Lillian Wolfersheim and Eleanor Cook, Messrs. William and Rouse Waples, Stewart and Alexander Burns, Edgar and Herbert Henderson, Herbert Stusser and Chester Hall.

The Young Men's Club of the Congregational church entertained about forty young people at a ghostly Hallowe'en party at the home of Miss Ines McVeen last Friday evening. The house was decorated with huge grinning jack-o'-lanterns and the lights gave a weird and ghostly appearance to the rooms.

Miss Kate Gellan won first prize for guessing most of those present before the unmasking. Gilbert Lacey wore a very becoming mask and lived up to his "rep" as usual. A witch who told fortunes and a magic pumpkin were interesting features of the occasion. Ice cream and cake were served and at a late hour the party broke up with three cheers for the Y. M. C.

The Eunoia Club held its regular monthly party at the home of Miss Henrietta Staats last Saturday evening. The house was decorated with jack-o'-lanterns, pumpkins, etc. The evening was spent in playing games appropriate to the occasion, after which supper was served in the dining room, the only lights being the ghostly ones of the lanterns. Among those present were Chester and Helen Winters of Clyde, Francis and George Kenny of Chicago, Lillian Bowers of Clyde, Leda Voss of Chicago, William Bowman of Hinsdale and Margaret Dressler of Chardon Hills. The fun ended with the boys giving three rousing cheers for the Eunoia Club and hoped they would make the parties bi-monthly instead of monthly.

The regular monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held at the home of Mrs. Huling. The attendance was good, twenty members being present. Mrs. Durkee led in devotions, after which Dr. Gable conducted. The subject under discussion was "Medical Temperance," which the chairman handled in a very able and instructive manner. Next a duet by Mrs. Durkee and Miss Mary DeLoe was very appreciated. Then came our County Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Muench, of Naperville, with a special report of the doing at the State convention held at Mt. Carmel recently. It was fine and lost nothing, as all knew our enthusiastic members will readily believe.

The members of the Ladies' Library Association will express their thanks and appreciation to the public for the generous response to the canvass for money just made by them. Through this generosity and the earnest work of the ladies we now have a complete catalogue in the hands of the printers and seventy-five (75) new books on the shelves, besides the Blodgett donation, sixty (60) of which were purchased and the remainder donated by friends. The canvass is not quite completed, but should any not have been overlooked their contribution will be gladly accepted at the library any Friday afternoon or evening.

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Methodist Episcopal Church—F. P. Farmilo, pastor. Class meeting at 9:30 a. m. Morning theme, "Our Lost Heritage." Public worship at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 12:05. Epworth League at 6:30. Evening subject: "Second Discourse on the Teachings of a Christian Science." Junior League on Wednesday afternoon at 3:30.

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## CONCERT AT M. E. CHURCH.

Do not miss the song, violin and piano recital at the M. E. church Friday evening, Nov. 13. The following program will be rendered:

PROGRAM.  
Duo—Piano and violin Recitative and Allegro..... Mendelssohn  
Mr. Fisher and Mr. La Berge.  
Song—"A Song of Sunshine."  
Goring Thomas  
Miss Luella Smith.  
Violin solo—Carmen Fantasia..Hubay  
Mr. La Berge.  
Piano solo—Capriccio Brillant.  
Mendelssohn

Miss Louella Schmidt, with organ (or piano) accompaniment.  
Song—"Berceuse"..... Mattet  
Miss Luella Smith.  
with violin obligato—Mr. La Berge.  
Organ solo—  
Mr. Arthur E. Fisher.  
Violin solo—"Zigeunerweisen."  
Sarasate  
Mr. La Berge.

Piano solo—(a) Romance in F sharp..... Schumann  
(b) Scherzino..... Moszkowski  
Miss Louella Schmidt.  
Songs—(a) "The Rose Plucked for You"..... Fisher  
(b) "Aye or Nay"..... Fisher  
Miss Luella Smith.  
Duo—Piano and violin—  
Adagio and Finale—Sonata, Op. 13  
Rubinstein  
Mr. Fisher and Mr. La Berge.

HOME-DEPARTMENT MEET.

The Home Department of the Congregational church, met at the home of Mrs. Laura Heink, Carpenter street, last Friday afternoon for a few hours of social intercourse. The superintendent, Mrs. Prince, with her staff of visitors were there, and received and introduced the members to one another. Rev. Wm. Stickle, associate pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Evanston, was present and delivered a most instructive and interesting address on his travels abroad. Mrs. T. H. Murray and Miss Josephine Paden sang solos, and after the address, all partook of the carefully prepared and appetizing refreshments.

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## REPUBLICANS MAKE A CLEAN SWEEP.

DuPage county rolled up about the usual majority for the entire Republican ticket. Guy L. Bush, our local candidate for Representative, has been returned to a seat in the House, receiving the largest number of votes of the three successful candidates.

A just tribute to his popularity and an indorsement of his record. The defeat of Alonzo E. Wilson, the Prohibition candidate, was a big success, as nearly everyone had predicted his election. He had the largest vote of any of the candidates in DuPage county, but lost out in Will county.

The vote for Representative in the village:  
Bush.....747  
Parker.....308  
Riley.....181  
Gibler.....148  
Wilson.....401  
The vote in the two counties was as follows:  
DuPage Will county.  
Bush, R.....5,454 10,767  
Parker, R.....4,173 11,298  
Riley, D.....3,441 12,129  
Gibler, D.....1,815 4,964  
Wilson, Pro.....5,086 8,579  
The total vote in the district shows Bush a winner by a small margin:  
Bush.....10,221  
Parker.....15,471  
Riley.....15,570  
Gibler.....6,779  
Wilson.....14,290

The vote in the village for the four last presidential elections:  
1896.....432  
McKinley.....130  
Bryan.....190  
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## BOSTONIA ORCHESTRA.

The First Entertainment of the Course Was Voted the Best Ever Seen in the Village.

At the Auditorium on Tuesday evening, Nov. 3, the "Bostonia Orchestra," with Mark King as story teller, appeared before an appreciative audience of 450 to 475 of Downers Grove's representative citizens. A splendid program was rendered, and it can truthfully be said that it is seldom that a musical entertainment of such a high order was ever presented to the people of Downers Grove. All who were there expressed their sentiments with unanimity that the entertainment from beginning to end was one of the best that has ever been on a public platform in Downers Grove. This is only the first entertainment of the season; other five of as high an order have yet to come, and all who wish tickets had better procure them at once, as the seating capacity of the Auditorium is nearly exhausted. The talent for the remaining entertainments are of the highest order and the price at the lowest possible minimum. The entertainments are given solely for the purpose of giving our townspeople the best possible night's amusement and social intercourse, and are altogether void of money making—any surplus is put forward towards the next year's "course." The committee of responsible citizens who guaranteed the success of the "entertainment course" wish to thank our patrons for the splendid co-operation they have accorded us this year. It means much to the "committee"—it both encourages and repays them for the time and labor they have devoted to ensure the success of the undertaking. Your appreciation of our services has demonstrated that you are thoroughly in sympathy with us in our endeavor to give the people of Downers Grove a high class series of entertainments.

The next number will be the Orpheus Musical Club on Dec. 19. It was no fault of Bryan that his party was defeated in the election Nov. 3, 1908. No other Democrat could have polled so big a vote against the Roosevelt administration, especially when Taft has promised to perpetuate the Roosevelt principles. The party could not put up. No one else but Bryan would have had the courage to run, much less hope for election against such odds. We as Republicans must admit his honesty, and unflinching patriotism. On the other hand, we must condemn the venomous, cowardly, bitter and malicious attacks of W. H. Hearst and his ilk on a man so much his superior every way and the party because they did not consider Hearst capable or worthy of the high office to which he vainly aspires. Bryan's life history will rank in future years with Blaine, Reed and other great statesmen who failed to reach the presidency because of jealous contemporaneous politicians.—Cook County Herald.

Contribution.  
"Do you expect to contribute to science by your arctic investigations?" "Perhaps not to science," answered the explorer, "but certainly to literature."—Washington Star.

Reception.  
Thursday evening, Nov. 12, the ladies of the Congregational Aid Society will give a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hunge, 9 Highland avenue. This will be the second social gathering planned by the Congregational people to promote sociability among the members and friends of the church; and they extend to everyone a cordial invitation to be present.

The ladies of the Aid Society of the Congregational Church are preparing for a bazaar to be given Dec. 2 in the church parlors. More definite notice will be given later.

I. X. L. LAUNDRY.  
Sullivan, what do you think of Downers Grove as a laundry town? I say it's the best in the country if you are a hustler. Show the work, my business is on the increase. Come on with the goods. Respectfully yours,  
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Thursday evening, Nov. 12, the ladies of the Congregational Aid Society will give a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hunge, 9 Highland avenue. This will be the second social gathering planned by the Congregational people to promote sociability among the members and friends of the church; and they extend to everyone a cordial invitation to be present.

The ladies of the Aid Society of the Congregational Church are preparing for a bazaar to be given Dec. 2 in the church parlors. More definite notice will be given later.

## Local Happenings

10 Correspondents.

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Sweet cider at F. Gernig's.  
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