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## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Proceedings of the Board of Supervisors of Du Page County, at a special meeting held at the court house in Wheaton, on Tuesday, the 10th day of August, A. D. 1909, pursuant to call of chair.

Meeting called to order with Chairman Fairbank presiding.

On roll call all members were present.

Minutes of the last preceding meeting read and approved.

The following petition, presented by the Illinois Telegraph News Company, upon being read, was on motion of Supervisor Churchill declared approved and petition granted.

To the Honorable, the Supervisors of Du Page County:

In accordance with the statutes of the State of Illinois, the Illinois Telegraph News Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Illinois, for the purpose of conducting a telegraph and telephone business, hereby requests permission to construct a line of poles and wires over, upon and along the following highways and route in Du Page county, Illinois, to-wit:

Starting at the east line of the Town of York, being the east boundary line of said county, thence west on 22d street to York road; thence south on York Road to 31st street; thence west on 31st street to the west side of the northwest quarter of Section 34, township 39 north, range 11 east, to the highway known as Canfield road; thence south on Canfield road, the same being the highway adjacent to said quarter section to 35th street, the same being known as Hoerman road, thence west on 35th street, known as Hoerman road, to the east line of Section 32, town 39 north, range 11 east, the same being known as Meyer road; thence south on the highway adjacent to said Section 32 and other sections, the same being known as the Meyer road to 43rd street, the same being the road leading to Downers Grove, thence west on 43rd street, the same being said road leading to Downers Grove to the east line of the Town of Lisle. Said route being shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof.

The said company agrees to construct a building yard.

Faunt—"Dear me! A shop?" Spigot—"No; a garage.—Comic Cut.

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## BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Harry Rainer was the recipient of a very surprising surprise party on Monday night. Jim Raby had sent him to Hinsdale about 6 o'clock for some hard oil for the thrashing machine, to be home on the train that arrives at the Grove at 8:20. When he came walking up to the house about 9 o'clock he was greeted with cries of "Surprise! Surprise!" and it was a surprise.

The evening was spent in playing games and dancing to the music of a Victor as it played "My Wife's Gone to the Country," and like tunes.

The following will describe one of the games played: Each guest was given a piece of colored tissue paper and three pins and asked to make a hat, the one manufacturing the best one in the estimate of the judges to be given a prize. Rudolph Ellsworth carried off the high honors with a cross between a peach basket shape and a dunce cap, six different colors and guaranteed not to fade or shrink. He is thinking of starting a millinery shop in Belmont to be run in connection with the greenhouses.

Ice cream, cake and sandwiches were served, and about 12:30, every one being tired out and happy, the guests departed for their homes.

The people from Downers went down and returned in a hay rack.

Last Saturday night Miss Florence Willard entertained a party of her friends in honor of Miss Ruth Kidwell and Miss Isabelle Ellsworth, who with Mrs. Ellsworth, have been spending the summer at the Wellworth farm, Belmont.

Games were played until 12 o'clock, when refreshments were served. The party broke up in the wee sma hours, everyone voting Miss Willard a delightful hostess in every way.

## MR. ROGERS' LATEST POETIC EFFUSION.

How really fish look bigger when the pole is bent into a bow and the slender line is taut; When a fellow feels his heart rise up like a doughnut in his throat; And he lunges in a frenzy, for there comes the boat!

Oh! you, who've been a fishin' will indorse me when I say;

It is always the biggest fish you catch that gets away.

A Clear Bew.

Spigot—"No; a garage.—Comic Cut.

## SPECIAL SCHOOL OF HEALTH WEEK

The citizens of Downers Grove and vicinity are cordially invited to attend any or all of the school of health exercises held in connection with the opening week of the new main building of the Hinsdale Sanitarium, beginning Sunday, Aug. 29, 1909, at 4 p. m., and continuing throughout the week.

PROGRAM.  
Sunday, 4 p. m.—Address, Pastor C. T. Everson of Rome, Italy; subject, "Observations and Lessons from the Earthquake in Italy by One Who Was on the Ground."

7:30 p. m.—Lecture, Dr. David Paulson; subject, "Why Was the Hinsdale Sanitarium Established?"

The daily program beginning Monday morning and continuing each day throughout the week until Friday evening will be as follows:  
Devotional exercises, 7:30 a. m.  
Physical culture exercises, 9:00 a. m.

Practical demonstration of simple treatments of common diseases, conducted by Dr. Mary Paulson, 9:30 a. m.

Instruction and demonstrations in scientific cookery, conducted by Miss Lenna Cooper, superintendent of Battle Creek Sanitarium School of Domestic Science, 3 p. m.

Popular health lecture, Dr. David Paulson, 7:00 p. m.

Stereopticon health lectures by Drs. A. J. Read and William S. Sadler, 8:00 p. m.

Friday evening—Address, Prof. Percy T. Magan of Nashville, Tenn., 7:30 p. m.

Saturday—Address, Prof. Percy T. Magan; subject, "The Significance of Present Events in Turkey and the Orient," 11:15 a. m.

Interesting incidents and experiences of the establishing of the Hinsdale Sanitarium and the Life Boat enterprises, in which a number of persons associated with the work will take part, 2:00 p. m.

On Tuesday and Thursday evenings a musical program, conducted by Mr. Frank W. Webster, assisted by able talent, will precede the stereopticon lecture.

## TRUE FISH STORY.

A great catch of fish made by J. W. Rogers and four companions in half a day.

The five, on a pier in front of Cedar Point Hotel, caught three hundred and 7 fish (307). Mrs. J. W. Rogers and Miss Purdy, of Racine, Wis., landed two hundred and fifty (250) of this number.

Miss Purdy is principal of the Racine College and a woman powerful, nervous, ambitious with ego plus and fisher's luck.

To make the crowd believe she was a fisher was the task of Mrs. Rogers. That she succeeded is undenied, even by Mr. Rogers, who landed one that weighed 15 pounds (7) on a tested scale.

After robbing the lake in this manner, Mr. Rogers summoned his chauffeur and immediately started with a party of twelve others for a 15-mile drive to the Kankakee River, himself making the thirteenth, and not being in possession of the facts, the writer is afraid he had bad luck.

## THE WHEATON FAIR, AUGUST 26, 27 AND 28. WILL HAVE

Harness horse racing.

Steeplechase racing.

Running races.

Grand horse show.

Balloon ascension by the greatest lady balloonist.

Automobile exhibit.

Free slack wire entertainment by the great Delmores.

Orchestra concerts from 1 to 6 p. m.

A most interesting Midway.

Putnam's Great Wild West Show.

Dog show of forty varieties of dogs, the greatest collection in the western country.

Greatest lady horse tamer.

Merry-go-round and many other interesting attractions for the children.

Other interesting attractions will be added.

This will be the most interesting and pleasing fair ever held in Wheaton.

Great ship race between Chicago, Aurora, Elgin and Wheaton will take place on Thursday afternoon.

## A PIANO AT A REMARKABLE PRICE.

Chicago's largest music house, Lyon & Healy, announces a gigantic alteration sale of pianos. Nearly 1,000 splendid instruments are offered without reserve until all are sold. In this stock are a great many standard and well known makes.

It is necessary to move this great stock of pianos in order to make room for carpenters who are replacing flooring.

In upright pianos new instruments may be had as low as \$145. This is an unprecedented opportunity and one that may not occur again. Any piano not proving entirely satisfactory may be returned at their expense.

Arrange a visit of inspection to their warerooms, corner Wabash avenue and Adams street, this week so as to avoid disappointment.

## THE METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC.

The annual Sunday school picnic of the Methodist Sunday school was held last Saturday at Brush Hill, and about 200 members of the church and school were present to enjoy the day's outing in the woods. Although the picnic had been planned for the previous Saturday and was postponed on account of the rainy day, all who attended the picnic were rejoicing in the fact that the day was perfect for picnicking, and everyone was able to have a good time. The nine wagons, loaded with members of the school, left the church a little after 9 o'clock, arriving at the picnic grounds a little before 11. Devotional exercises were held a few minutes before 12, and then all made haste to spread the good things with which the dinner baskets were filled. During the afternoon boat rides and games were in order, and when at 5:30 the home-going call was given, nearly everyone was loath to leave the grounds where they had spent such an enjoyable day.

## \$25.00 REWARD.

For information leading to the arrest and conviction of the party or parties destroying the danger lights in the streets and tipping over barrels of tar.

LOGAN & GIERTZ.

## THIMBLE BEE.

The Aid Society of the Baptist Church will have a "Thimble Bee" party at Mrs. Kittering's home this week Friday, at 2:00 o'clock. All of our ladies are cordially invited to come and bring their neighbors and friends. Come with your own work and also suggestions for our holiday sale of fancy work.

## W. C. O. F. TENT, WHEATON FAIR.

The Women's Catholic Order of Foresters of Wheaton wish to announce that they will have a W. C. O. F. tent at the Wheaton fair Aug. 26, 27 and 28, and will serve the best homemade refreshments at reasonable prices. So look for the W. C. O. F. tent.

## AT HOME.

One of the most enjoyable social affairs of the summer was the "at home" given by Mrs. William Straube, Wednesday afternoon at her lovely home in Fairmount avenue.

During the afternoon Miss Heckman of Cleveland, Ohio, niece of Mrs. Straube, sang a number of Scotch ballads, and Mrs. Puffer Reid gave several readings in her usual pleasing manner. About fifty guests were present, several from out of town.

## PERSONAL.

On and after this date I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by my wife and children.

BERNARD VIX

## Among the Churches

—Christian Science church will meet at Modaff's hall Sunday at 10:45 a. m.

—St. Joseph's Parish, Mass at 9:30 a. m. High mass first Sunday of month. Pastor J. A. Bollman.

—The Baptist pulpit will be filled Sunday morning and evening by a representative from the Chicago University, Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. services as usual.

—German Ev. St. Paul's Church: Services, 7:30 p. m. Bible class Thursday at 8 p. m. Rev. Th. Merbach, pastor.

—Services at St. Andrew's Church Sunday, August 29, will be as follows: 10:00 a. m., Sunday School; 7:30 p. m., evening prayer and sermon. Geo. Davis Adams.

—Chester Bartlett deserves much credit for the splendid management of the County Farm. Everything is in fine shape. All the old settlers who were at Wheaton, Wednesday, were pleased to meet his mother, who is visiting him.

—Congregational Church, Morning worship at 10:30 a. m.; theme, "The Place of Prayer and Medication in Christian Life." Sunday school at 12 m. Final announcement of Red and Blue contest will be made. C. E. at 6:30. Evening worship at 7:30. Rev. B. A. Trew, of Liverpool, England, will preach; theme, "The Need of Personal Religion."

—St. Paul's Church of the Evangelical Association on West Maple avenue. Sunday services: Sunday school, 10:00 a. m.; German preaching, 11:00 a. m.; devotional meeting of the Y. P. A., 6:45 p. m.; English preaching, 7:30 p. m. Other services: prayer meeting, Wednesday 8:00 p. m.; Bible study, Friday 8:30 p. m.; Y. P. A. business meeting, second Monday of each month, 8:00 p. m. J. S. Stamm, Pastor.

—Methodist Episcopal Church—F. F. Farmiloe, pastor. Class meeting at 9:30 o'clock; public worship at 10:30 and 7:30. Sunday School at noon. Epworth League at 6:30. The pastor will preach in the morning. In the evening Miss Helen Hewitt, of Cachuca, Mexico, will speak. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening. Probationers' class at 3:20 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

—Silence is an argument that doesn't appeal to women.

## About the Schools

### NOTICE TO PUPILS.

All pupils who failed in one or more studies in the different grades of the school last year, and have been studying during the summer and desire promotion, will be given an examination at the South Side building next Wednesday, Sept. 1st, beginning at 9 o'clock. Please be present if you wish to take the examination.

G. C. BUTLER, Supt.

### TEACHERS' ORGANIZATION.

The reorganization of the Du Page County Teachers' Association was effected at the county institute at Wheaton last week. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Superintendent G. C. Butler, Downers Grove.

Vice president, Superintendent L. A. Reisner, West Chicago.

Secretary, Miss May Kuhn, Wheaton.

Secretary, Miss Emma Keller, Naperville.

The president appointed the following as members of the executive committee:

F. W. Cole, superintendent, East Naperville; O. A. Waterman, superintendent, West Naperville; H. E. Giles, superintendent, Hinsdale; Miss Carrie Rounsey, West Chicago; Miss Josephine Clifford, Wheaton; W. N. Hazeltine, Itasca.

Some excellent, helpful meetings will be planned for the coming year.

### SCHOOL OPENS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH.

The Downers Grove public schools will begin Tuesday, September 7th. All pupils are earnestly requested to be present, if possible, on the opening day, that there may be no delay in the organization and classification of the work. The board has added two new teachers to the list, one in the high school and one in the seventh grade. Some needed changes have been made in the classification of the grade work, and the high school course has been revised and enriched. All the fifth grade pupils from the north side will attend that building this year, as the extra seventh grade teacher will use the room at the south

side. The buildings have been repaired and put in excellent condition, and the outlook for a good school year is very promising. The doors will be open to all who may wish to enter for useful, purposeful work.

### Local Happenings

#### 10 CORRESPONDENTS.

All communications for this paper should be accompanied by the name of the author, not necessarily the publisher, but as an endorsement of good faith on the part of the writer. Write only on one side of the paper. Be particularly careful in giving names and addresses, to have the letters and names plain and distinct.

—Miss Winnie Duthie is quite sick.

—Mrs. Bartells has been sick since Sunday.

—Fine line of lap dusters at C. Penner's.

—Julia Farrar is visiting friends in Oak Park this week.

—Miss Lillie Devereaux is away on a two weeks' vacation.

—Mrs. Louis Jones entertained at luncheon on Tuesday.

—Miss T. D. Aldrich spent Sunday with Miss Cora Blodgett.

—George Foster returned from Colorado last Friday morning.

—Mrs. P. Statton and children spent Saturday at Lincoln Park.

—J. H. Griffiths has been on the sick list the last few days.

—Trunks and suit cases at very moderate prices. C. Penner.

—Mrs. Dennis Dunn leaves this week for her Michigan home.

—Miss Edna Barret entertained her cousin from Chicago last week.

—Mr. and Mrs. Willard Norton are entertaining friends from abroad.

—Mrs. J. W. Brown and children returned from Vandalla, Saturday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Clough are spending their vacation at Beaver Dam, Wis.

—Jane Tope spent last week in the Grove visiting Mr. and Mrs. Nargney.

—Mrs. Herbert gave a luncheon to a small party of friends last Friday.

—Lee Stanley and wife will take a two weeks' vacation up in Wisconsin.

—Protect your horses from flies by buying fly nets or sheets of C. Penner.

—George Bridgeman and wife have a new little son, who arrived August 19th.

—Miss Rutherford, of La Grange, was in Downers for a few days this week.

—Mrs. Guy Bush entertained the Thimble Club on Thursday of last week.

—Mrs. J. H. Griffiths and children spent one day last week in Lincoln Park.

—Tickets for Riverside Park will

be given away at the office of the Reporter.

—For sale—Wheeler & Wilson sewing machine No. 9, good as new; cost \$65; will sell for \$20. Mrs. Reed, R. F. D., Downers Grove, Ill.

—Mrs. Mary E. Jones of East Maple avenue, is visiting old friends in Bureau county.

—Mr. Wahlberg left for Des Moines, Iowa, Wednesday morning, for a week's vacation.

—Howard Calwell, of South Bend, Ind., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lemon last week.

—Mrs. Bateman and her daughter, Mrs. Dawes, have gone to Sandwich to visit relatives.

—The Ladies of the Maccabees will have a picnic Saturday, Aug. 28, in Lyman's Woods.

—The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Towlsley, who has been very ill, is now recovering.

—Weak women should read my "Book No. 4 for Women." It tells of Dr. Shoop's Night Cure. Tells how these soothing, healing, antiseptic suppositories, bring quick and certain help. The book is free. Address Dr. Shoop, Racine, Wis.

—George Hughes and family are spending a well earned vacation at Grand Junction, Mich.

—Mr. and Mrs. Bunge, their son George and Francis Willis went up to Wheaton Wednesday.

—Phillip Statton and daughter Lila spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Ritzenthaler, at Naperville.

—Misses Mabelle Marshall, Florence Foster and Jane Griffiths spent Saturday in Lincoln Park.

—Mrs. George Heartt has returned from a week's visit with her daughter, Mrs. Lott of Hinckley, Ill.

—D. G. Graham has a new issue of South Washington street paving bonds for sale. They are in denominations of \$100 each and run ten years at 5 per cent annually.

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## SPECIAL MEETING OF VILLAGE TRUSTEES

At the special meeting of the village trustees last Monday evening, called for the purpose of discussing the advisability of selling the electric light plant, the full Board was in attendance, and many citizens as could crowd into the little 2x4 Village Hall, quite a number standing at the door and windows outside. Mr. Copley went into details of his offer for the plant, being asked a number of questions by the Trustees.

Trustee Severus read a number of statistical figures as to the cost of running the plant under the present engineer, claiming that the village was making money on the electric light. President Ludley then asked the opinion of various citizens present. Mr. Campbell stated that he thought the village and the consumer would be better served by a private corporation, claiming the village had had poor service.

Mr. Schultz spoke in favor of the village running their own plant, and made the suggestion that the President appoint a committee of nine citizens, and three trustees to thoroughly sift the receipts and expenditures of the plant to find out its standing.

Mr. Rogers stated that in his opinion if the money which was used to pay the bonds of the electric light plant had not been transferred from other funds, the village would still owe the original \$17,000 indebtedness.

Mr. Mochel was not prepared to express an opinion without going into the matter further, claiming that when he was on the Board it was a losing proposition, but that conditions now might be different.

The President on motion finally appointed the following committee to tabulate the earning capacity of the plant and the expenditures for running the same: J. M. Rief, J. Severus, W. B. Ellis and Bert White. No further action will be taken until this committee reports.

## Oak Forest Cemetery

has been secured, the buildings have been repaired and put in excellent condition, and the outlook for a good school year is very promising. The doors will be open to all who may wish to enter for useful, purposeful work.

The grounds are laid out on the park plan, which include winding drives, two lakes, beautiful plants and flowers. A cool, quiet, refreshing spot, isolated from the noise and dust of a city. It is high, well drained and safe from the encroachments of any town. Those interested are invited to visit the cemetery, also the greenhouses.

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