

OPENING OF FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

On Tuesday, April 2nd, 1912, there was no fine building in which to place our books and offer to the public for their use.

The Ladies' Library Association held its regular monthly meeting just previous to the opening of the door. At it, they all expressed their great gratification in at last accomplishing the great ambition and desire of having a free public library for our town.

It has been the end toward which they have all been working these many years. Appreciation was expressed to some of the older members for their long and faithful work and of the wide knowledge and familiarity they had with every book in the collection.

The association feel in no way that their "foster child," the new free public library, is out of their arms yet and will still cherish it and assist the new librarian in the same way they have been doing for many years.

The new librarian, Miss Hughes, although very efficient, will be unable to attend to all the wants alone, at present.

It is a great regret to the association and to the board of directors that they have not new books to offer to the people at this opening.

It is hoped that by the rearranging and dressing up of the old books some good ones will come to light that have not been read, there surely are good ones there and perhaps you have not read all of them.

It has been his enthusiasm and faithful work that has carried the work along and much credit, praise and thanks are due him for the free public library we now have in our little town.

We wish to thank our local florist, Mr. Gollam, for the bouquet of roses he sent for the occasion.

The members of the board present at the opening were: Mr. Wells, president; Mr. Graves, Mr. Bordwell

and Mr. Tank. Number of books loaned out the first day and evening were seventy-five. Number of cards issued, 125. List of magazines which will regularly be found on the reading table are as follows: American Boy, Popular Electricity, Popular Mechanics, Technical World, Saturday Evening Post, Cosmopolitan, Good Housekeeping, World Today, Everybody's, Garden Magazine, Harper's Bazaar, St. Nicholas, Review of Reviews, Ladies' Home Journal.

POWERS AND DIXON DENY CHARGES AGAINST HADLEY

Attorney and accused man write denial of published reports regarding Hadley's alleged interference in administration of justice.

The following self explanatory letters have been voluntarily furnished by John Powers, attorney for John Dixon, and by Dixon himself regarding the statement published concerning the state's attorney's conduct in the case of the People vs. Miller and Dixon.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

I, John Dixon of West Chicago, Ill., having had called to my attention certain articles appearing in the Du Page County Tribune by one Richard Prendergast concerning certain cases wherein I was one of the defendants, desire to state that I never told Mr. Prendergast any of the facts set forth in said articles and that he has no authority from me to make such statements.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

My attention has been called to the articles appearing in the Monday, March 25th, and the Friday, March 22nd, issues of the Du Page County Tribune referring to a telephone conversation between Mr. Prendergast and myself, in which it states that I said in that conversation that I knew some one was being railroaded to save one of the guilty men, etc., in a certain case in which I was interested as counsel.

I never made such a statement nor do I know now that any one was railroaded to save one of the guilty men. My only interest in the case was that of serving my clients to the best of my ability. I advised the settlement that was made and nothing has occurred since that time so far as I know to make me feel that my advice was not justified under the circumstances.

DOWNERS GROVE 29 PLANO 20.

Last Saturday evening the Downers Grove Congregational team went to Plano, Ill. to play the town team of that place, with the result as shown above.

The Plano team had been defeated only three or four times this season and went into this game with great

confidence, which with the advantage of being on their own floor and their rushing things pretty fast in the first part of the game, put them ahead at half-time, 14 to 8.

Our boys showed themselves to be their real superiors in every department of the game during the second period, however.

When the team work got properly started it was so fast that Plano seemed to be tied to a post most of the time.

Drew had his shooting eye with him for he caged the ball six times, five during the second half; Carlson came next for the honors in this line with his four baskets, three of which he came up from guard to get during the second half; Carl Staiger secured the only free throw to our credit besides two very pretty goals from the field. Winter and Geo. Staiger secured a field goal apiece in the half which each played.

The game was a hard fought one but one which showed clearly the class of our team in endurance, speed, accuracy and head-work and the boys certainly had good reason to feel very proud of their victory.

During the season of 1911-12 the team has played a total of 20 games, 16 of which they have won and 4 lost, or a percentage of 800.

In the 20 games Downers Grove has scored a total of 541 points against 332 for all of their opponents. This total has been divided up among the individual players as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Points. Harvey Drew 160, Oscar Carlson 130, Carl Staiger 97, Geo. Staiger 69, Adolph Winter 65, Alfred Kirchgasser 20.

When it is taken into consideration that the team has no home floor and no opportunity for practice between games it would seem that our village has reason to feel that in this branch of sport she has been well represented by a bunch of young men who have worked very hard under great difficulties to uphold the honor of their native town.

In fact Downers Grove has been "well represented" in every sense of the word for the players have conducted themselves both on and off the field of play as gentlemen and have won the respect of their opponents for their behavior as well as for their skill.

It does seem a pity that when a great many of our neighboring towns are giving their boys and young men the privilege and benefit of having these physical and educational advantages right at home, that our boys have to go to great expense and the fatigue and drawbacks of late hours incidental to weekly trips to Chicago in order to enjoy a little of these benefits.

When will Downers Grove men realize that under proper leadership, athletics are of untold value in developing character along lines of honesty and fair play, courage, determination and self-sacrifice and provide the opportunity for some hundred or two of our own boys to get these advantages here at home where they ought to have them?

When such advantages are provided for our boys and young men you will see fewer of them crowding the trains to the city in search of unwholesome excitement and entertainment.

DEATHS OF THE WEEK.

Mrs. Mary A. Luce died very suddenly at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. C. P. Blodgett, Saturday evening, March 30, 1912. During that day she had been out on the porch and seemed unusually well, but was stricken just about teatime and passed away before medical aid arrived.

She leaves six grandchildren, Mrs. C. P. Blodgett, Miss Edith L. Haymond, Miss Winnie, Mr. Harry, Eugene and Charles, and one sister.

The greater part of her life was spent in and about Sandwich until last October when she came to Downers Grove.

Mrs. Luce was a quiet, modest, unassuming lady, greatly beloved by her family and by numerous friends as well.

She was ever ready to heed the call of affliction and distress and give aid to all such and many a heart and home was made more hopeful and cheerful by the kindnesses which she was always ready to bestow.

The mothers of the generations to which Grandma Luce belonged are fast passing over to join the great and silent majority, and the younger generations can but mourn for and miss them in the domestic and social circles which they so long graced and honored.

Mr. Frederick Manning died very suddenly Sunday morning at 9:20 of heart failure. Mr. Manning had been feeling in his usual health and his sudden death was a shock to his friends and relatives. Funeral was held Wednesday noon. The remains were taken to the Cass Church where services were held by the Rev. Cronk. Interment was made in the Fairview cemetery at Cass.

LEGAL NOTICE.

In the Circuit Court of Du Page County, Illinois, in the office of the recorder of Du Page County, Illinois, as Document No. 88,572, in Book 59 of mortgages, Page 33.

The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Du Page County, Illinois, notice is hereby given to the said Edward V. Lawrence, Jennie H. Lawrence, his wife, and the unknown owner or owners of note in the principal sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) payable in four years with interest at 6 per cent per annum, secured by trust deed of Edward V. Lawrence and Jennie H. Lawrence, his wife, to W. H. Edwards, Trustee, said trust deed being dated August 1st, 1906, and recorded September 2, 1906, in the office of the recorder of Du Page County, Illinois, as Document No. 88,572, in Book 59 of mortgages, Page 33.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF DU PAGE.

This is to certify that the ballots for the primary of April 9th, 1912, for the respective parties, to be printed on paper of the following colors: Name of Party, Color of Paper. Republican White, Democratic Green, Prohibition Light Blue, Socialist Red.

NOTICE OF AWARD.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Local Improvements of the Village of Downers Grove, Du Page County, Illinois, at a meeting held on the 2nd day of April, A. D. 1912, did award the contract for the construction of the improvement of the construction and laying of cast iron water pipes, with hydrants and valves, and necessary specials, in and along Webster Street in said Village of Downers Grove, Illinois, as contemplated by Ordinance No. 47, to J. H. Frankenkfield, of Downers Grove, Illinois, whose proposal is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. 640 lineal feet of 8 inch vitrified pipe sanitary sewer, at 70c... \$448.00, 2 brick manholes, 3 feet internal diameter constructed of 8 inch brick masonry walls, at \$24.00... 48.00.

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Notice is hereby given that the Board of Local Improvements of the Village of Downers Grove, Du Page County, Illinois, at a meeting held on the 2nd day of April, A. D. 1912, did award the contract for the construction of the improvement of the construction and laying of vitrified tile pipe sewer, in and along Webster Street in said Village of Downers Grove, Illinois, as contemplated by Ordinance No. 48, to J. H. Frankenkfield, of Downers Grove, Illinois, whose proposal is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. 628 lineal feet of 8 inch vitrified tile sanitary sewer, at 70c... \$439.60, 2 brick manholes, 3 feet internal diameter constructed of 8 inch brick masonry walls, at \$24.00... 48.00.

DON'T BE BALD.

Nearly Any One May Secure a Splendid Growth of Hair.

We have a remedy that has aided to grow hair and prevented baldness in 93 out of 100 cases where used according to directions for a reasonable length of time. That may seem like a strong statement—it is, and we mean it to be, and no one should doubt it until they have put our claims to an actual test.

We are so certain Rexall "93" Hair Tonic will cure dandruff, prevent baldness, stimulate the scalp and hair roots, stop falling hair and grow new hair, that we personally give our positive guarantee to refund every penny paid us for it in every instance where it does not give entire satisfaction to the user.

Rexall "93" Hair Tonic is as pleasant to use as clear spring water. It is delightfully perfumed, and does not grease or gum the hair. Two sizes, 50c and \$1.00. With our guarantee back of it, you certainly take no risk. Sold only at our store—The Rexall Store. T. R. Morris.

Should Have Heeded Ill Omen.

The wisest of us have our pet superstitions, one or more. The great house of Rothschild has unwritten canons on the subject. The head of the firm, if he met a pig on his way to the office, would not conclude any financial transaction on that day. On one occasion he determined to rise above his weakness, and after meeting his omen, he arranged a large loan, by which the firm lost over a million dollars.

AN OLD RESIDENT GONE.

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removed from Plainfield to Naperville, Ill., only eight miles from Downers Grove, they found each other again, but this time as Mrs. Lovancia Pease Lyman and Mrs. Eliza Cowles Smith, wife of A. A. Smith, then president of Northwestern College, at Naperville, and their old friendship was vigorously renewed, and for more than thirty-five years, with but few exceptions, the Smith family, by invitation of the Lyman's, have had an annual summer days visit at their country home north of town, in which memories of the past and enjoyment of the present, caused the time to pass quickly away.

A generous part of the day was given to vocal, violin, and piano music, and later the camera came along to contribute its share to the joys of the day.

The Pease family were among the early settlers of Northeastern Ohio, which was called the New Connecticut, because the pioneers to Northeastern Ohio had come from that state.

The Pease family were all singers and some of them teachers—a well bred and cultured people.

Of the voices, the friendship, the unbounded hospitalities that are shared with old friends, clinging to memory; and links the past to the present, and whose charm over us can never be broken.

ANNIVERSARY.

About two hundred guests responded to invitations issued by Mr. and Mrs. Herbert McConnell in honor of their seventh wedding anniversary, at Dicke's Hall, which was indeed transformed into a dreamland with its beautiful decorations.

Mr. and Mrs. McConnell received their guests in a most welcome manner and during the evening a cotillion was announced and when all had received their beautiful favors and the different lights flashed it was a scene ever to be remembered.

As a token of esteem, Mr. and Mrs. McConnell were presented with a beautiful lamp and that its rays may ever shed its brightness in their home is the wishes of their numerous friends. During the evening sherbet and wafers were served and at a late hour the guests departed wishing Mr. and Mrs. McConnell a long and happy wedded life.

BY A FRIEND.

RECEPTION.

Monday evening, April 1, a large circle of friends and members gathered in the First Evangelical church to tender a reception to the Rev. and Mrs. J. Stamm. After spending some time in social enjoyments, a short program was rendered, after which refreshments were served.

The gathering presented Rev. and Mrs. Stamm a purse of \$41.35 as a token of their love and esteem. Only one thing marred the enjoyment of the occasion and that was the fact that the bride and groom cannot make their future home here, but will soon leave Downers Grove.

The bride is a young woman of excellent ability and splendid accomplishment. She is a graduate of the English and Commercial Department of Prickett college, Glasgow, Mo. For the past eight years she has been employed as bookkeeper in Kansas City, Mo.

Both while a resident of Glasgow and while living in Kansas City she has been actively engaged in the various departments of church work, besides holding important offices in the local church. She was for two years corresponding secretary of the Kansas state branch of the Young People's Alliance and for two years has served as superintendent of the mission bands of the Missionary Society of the Kansas conference.

These public positions have given her a wide acquaintance throughout the church and have greatly added to her qualifications for the work of a minister's wife.

The groom is well known in the village. He is a graduate of Northwestern college and of the Evangelical Theological seminary, Naperville, Ill. For the past five years he has been pastor of the First Evangelical church here. Rev. and Mrs. Stamm will make their home with Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Haller until the latter part of the month.

BOWLING.

Downers Grove bowling team again beat the Naperville Y. M. C. A. on Wednesday night by the following score:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Downers Grove—Geo. Vix, 134, 160, 137, 431; Geo. Duncan, 112, 128, 145, 395; C. H. Dicke, 164, 181, 167, 512; Phil Vix, 143, 144, 121, 408; F. Gerwig, 142, 166, 151, 469. Total, 2,306.

Naperville Y. M. C. A.—Shick, 123, 158, 141, 429; Hildebrand, 130, 129, 117, 370; Stenger, 121, 111, 123, 360; Stack, 136, 127, 128, 391; Yost, 98, 123, 113, 341. Total, 1,897.

The Anonymous Letter Writer

(From the Joliet Herald, April 1, 1912.)

Remember that you may some day be the victim of the writer who sent you the anonymous letter against some one else.

If some person wrote a scurrilous letter about your friend and neighbor making charges of the most sensational character against him—

If that letter contained a portion only of something he had said and carefully withheld the rest of the conversation—

If that partial conversation, divested of its qualifying portions made it appear that your friend had spoken to an entirely different effect from what he did speak—

And if that letter made out the intimation through its garbled and disconnected quotations that your friend had confessed himself a rascal and briber—

If that letter commented on the garbled conversation and declared that your friend was the confederate of people with whom he really has no associations, that he had been guilty of disgraceful conduct when his whole conversation if reported would show that he was not guilty of such conduct—

If that letter was circulated all through your community spreading slander and scandal on your innocent neighbor—

And if it was anonymous; bore no signature and allowed the writer to hide in obscurity—

If this letter was sent to you as well as your neighbors—

Wouldn't it make you indignant?

Wouldn't you get out and show your slandered neighbor that you would resent such an attack and that you would stand by him as one man to another against the attack of the anonymous letter writer?

And wouldn't you help give that letter writer something to remember if you ever discovered him?

That, dear reader, is the situation today in this congressional district. That anonymous circular you and your friends received through the mails, attacking Congressman Copley, was the exact parallel of the suppositious letter referred to above.

Are you going to stand for the spreading of false testimony for the partial and garbled truth is the falsest of lies?

Are you going to allow the anonymous letter (or circular) writer to attack a fellow citizen of this district?

Are you going to allow a precedent to be established which may make your dear friend or you yourself the victim of some one who may write scandals about you and, concealing his name, spread them among your neighbors while he himself hides from the consequences?

If ever there was a thing in the politics of this district that is calculated to rouse the indignation of every reputable voter, every American citizen, it is that unsigned circular.

It will rouse every man who loves fair play to resent it and will poll April 9, and show the people that there is no place in the politics of this community for the writer of scandalous letters.

Sample Ballot

The following is a fac-simile of the official ballot to be offered to the legal voters of the Village of Downers Grove, Du Page County, Illinois, Election to be held in said Village, Tuesday, April 16, A. D. 1912, on proposition to change form of Village Government.

BERT C. WHITE, Village Clerk.

Table with 2 columns: Question and YES/NO. Shall the Village of Downers Grove adopt the Commission Form of Municipal Government?

Sample Ballot

The following is a fac-simile of the official ballot to be offered to the legal voters of the Village of Downers Grove, Du Page County, Illinois, for Village Officers. Election to be held in said Village, Tuesday, April 16, A. D. 1912.

BERT C. WHITE, Village Clerk.

CITIZENS' CAUCUS TICKET. FOR VILLAGE TRUSTEE JASON LITTLEFORD, FOR VILLAGE TRUSTEE L. C. MAHONEY, FOR VILLAGE TRUSTEE J. W. HANDY, FOR DIRECTOR OF LIBRARY BOARD JOHN W. GRAVES, FOR DIRECTOR OF LIBRARY BOARD HOWARD P. JONES, FOR VILLAGE CLERK BERT C. WHITE.