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BUILDING FUND LEVY THIS YEAR

Present Patronage of Library Increasing—More Volumes Needed.

There will be no library fund levy this year, and future action on the building proposition is problematical. The occasion for the change in plans and the decision not to seek an addition to the building fund was the discovery that in making the application for the building fund levy of two and five-tenths mills, last year, the letter of the library board had not been followed, although the tax had been spread and collected without protest being made.

The construction of the law on which the library board acted was that the section governing the presentation of plans and estimates was advisory and not mandatory, and that general plans were authorized under the law.

The failure to present specific plans and estimates of the proposed building, together with the amount expected to be used divided into annual installments with the request to the village board to authorize the levy, was called to the attention of the village board by John Gustus, of Oakwood avenue.

His communication, together with the opinion of a lawyer obtained by him sustaining his contention, was turned over to the library board, and after investigation found to be well established.

At a meeting of the library board Monday, May 20, the situation was discussed and the board decided that in justice to itself and the citizens of the village a statement of the matter be made to the public. This statement appears in another column of this issue on page 4, and contains the decision of the library directors not to take steps for a further levy for building purposes until the question has the specific affirmation of the village.

The maintenance levy and the continuance of the present library are not affected by the error which was made in the building fund levy request, as the maintenance of the library was fully provided for in the action which brought the village under the provisions of the library act.

The present condition and future proceedings were considered last Saturday evening at a meeting to which a number of the citizens were invited

by the library board. Among those present were John Gustus, Victor Peterson, J. F. Kidwell, C. L. Bliss, Charles Mochel, L. P. Naramore, T. H. Slusser and William Ellis.

It was the general opinion of those present that the library board was fairly meeting the situation by deciding not to ask for a building fund levy and making a statement of affairs to the people of the village.

The directors of the library board announced that they would cause the statement to be given to every family in the village that all residents might be informed of the condition of affairs.

The need of books and magazines in the library was suggested at the meeting and the visitors approved the efforts which are being made to increase the usefulness of the present library.

EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATING EXERCISES.

Fifty pupils of the Downers Grove school signaled their completion of the eighth grade studies with graduating exercises last Tuesday evening at the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In spite of the inclement weather an appreciative audience greeted the presentation of a cantata, "The Garden of Flowers," in which the pupils joined.

A more detailed account of the program will be contained in next week's issue, which will give a full account of all the school commencement exercises.

The list of pupils in the eighth grade follows:

Class Roll.
Helen Anderson, Jessie Aldrich, Nell Adams, Alexander Burns, Ruth Boydston, Lawrence Cox, Jack Carpenter, Earl Cooper, Pearl Chessman, Eleanor Cook, Mabel Cooper, Ruth Diener, Carl Dunnagan, Anna David, Helen Ehninger, Dorothy Furlong, Elmer Geissert, Owen Griffiths, Arthur Geisler, Dorothy Hoffert, Harold Hoffert, Alvar Hagen, Margaret Howe, George Johnstone, Aubrey Jones, Lillian Kolar, Madge Kottenring, Avis Lempeke, Thelma Latimer, Dorothy Mooser, Dorothy MacDougal, John Mochel, Ray Morgan, Esther Nelson, Catherine Nash, Grant Nash, Dorothy Plain, Gertrude Potter, Cornelia Roll, Edith Selter, Frederick Sacksteder, Willis Sherman, Lila Statton, Marshall Statton, Agnes Stevens, Linne Tholin, Mildred Whitney, Oliver Iehl, Edmund Czechowski, Elmer Haumeser.

Medicine Cabinets.
The most attractive medicine cabinets for the bathroom wall come from the old town of Nuremberg, where they are hand carved and painted to imitate the fronts of ancient houses of that quaint town with their characteristic gables and chimneys

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Of St. Joseph's School, Dicke's Hall, Tuesday Evening, June 4, Eight O'clock.

PART ONE.

Vocal Chorus—Ave Marie.....
..... Mendelssohn
Salutatory..... Roger Toohey
Drama: Ursula of Brittany.....
Ursula, princess of Brittany.....
..... Catherine O'Mara
Theonotus, king of Brittany.....
..... Roger Toohey
Ladies of the Court:
Lady Adelia..... Florence Pfaff
Lady Cordula..... Elaine Holohan
Lady Cenera..... Valeria Antkowiak
Lady Columba..... Ida Herbert
Lady Olivia..... Mary Conley
Lady Ida..... Madeline LaCharty
Ursula Protoges:
Little Ina..... Barbara Skelly
Little Lillie..... Margaret Deegan
Courtiers and Ladies in attendance:
Conon, prince of England.....
..... Harold Venard
Agrippinus, king of England.....
..... Charles Urbanski
Ambassador of the court.....
..... Eugene MacCawley
Caradoc, baron of the court.....
..... Edmund Dieter
Lady Alba, of England..... Anna Meyer
Lady Rosa, of England. Fabiola Rjedy
Lady Erinna, of Ireland.....
..... Marion Corcoran
Lady Irene, of Ireland.....
..... Florence Conley
Lady Scotia, of Scotland.....
..... Helen Mahoney
Lady Zetta, of Scotland.....
..... Marie MacCawley
Attila, king of Scotland.....
..... Arnold Faulhaber
Chief of the Huns..... George Corcoran
Boas, his officer..... Edmund Dieter
Bleda, another officer.....
..... Edward Antkowiak
Huns: Robert Riedy, Edmund Dewey,
Leo Wimmer, George Polling, James
Pozdol, Joseph Miller.
Angels: Marie Kuettemeyer, Mary
Bahrs, Florence McMahon, Anna
Banks, Adelaide Lynch.

PART TWO.

Prologue..... Fabiola Riedy
Cantata: A Summer Festival.
Sylvan, king of the forest.....
..... Bernard Moran
Flora, queen of the flowers.....
..... Isabelle Dickson
Echo, a wood sprite.....
..... Madeline LaCharty
Aurora..... Laura Hansen
Night..... Barbara Skelly
Maidens of the Mist: Adelaide Lynch,
Anna Scyoski, Margaret Deegan,
Antonette Schmitt.
Sunbeams: Florence McMahon, Lillian
Dickson, Helen Deegan, Evelyn
Grenier.
Leaves: Harold Skelly, Jack Dawson,
Edward Barron, Willie Maish.
Roses: Lucy Riedy, Leona Erzen,
Marie O'Mara, Esther Grenier.
Daisies: Barbara Skelly, Adelaide
Lynch, Florence McMahon, Evelyn
Grenier.
Violets: Edith Denney, Eileen Rior-
dan, Margaret Deegan, Dorothy Den-
ney.
Johnny Jump-up, George Denney.
Poppies: Helen Conley, Anna Meyer,
Vera Dickson, Claire Conley.
Butterflies: A. Lynch, C. Deegan, D.
Denney, M. Bahrs, E. Rioridan.
Bees: J. Banks, W. Maish, E. Barron,
J. Dawson, H. Skelly.
Rainbow: Agnes Roth, E. Holohan, I.
Dickson, V. Antkowiak, M. Conley,
F. Riedy, C. O'Mara.
Birds: E. Dewey, Albert Meyer, W.
Holloway, C. Bertolin, W. Roth, G.
Miller.
Gnomes: L. Wimmer, W. Roth, R.
Riedy, J. Moran, G. Miller, A.
Meyer.
Fireflies: M. Morgan, A. Conley, J.
Banks, P. Jones, M. Bahrs, M. Smith,
E. Barron, H. Skelly, J. Dawson, W.
Maish.
Stars: M. Moran, V. and M. Antkowi-
ak, E. Denney.
Owls: S. Antkowiak, W. Holloway,
W. Roth.
Katydids: M. Smith, S. Krayoski, L.
Urbanski, D. Denney.
Valedictory..... Mary Conley
Presentation of diplomas.
Graduates: Elaine Holohan, Mary
Conley, Agnes Roth, Catherine O'Mara,
Harold Venard, Roger Toohey, Fabio-
la Riedy, Valeria Antkowiak, Isabelle
Dickson.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Mr. A. R. Grumhaus will open a first class grocery and confectionery store in the Dicke Building, corner of Belmont and Forest avenue, which he intends to stock up with a full line of staple and fancy groceries. Mr. Grumhaus solicits your patronage and promises prompt and courteous service. Orders taken for Naperville. Ice cream for parties or served in the store. Phone orders promptly delivered.

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ALUMNI RECEPTION.

Plans have been perfected for an informal reception to the Class of 1912 by the Alumni Association of the Downers Grove High School, Saturday evening, June 1, at the Maple avenue school house.

All members of the Alumni Association are invited to attend and get acquainted with 1912.

LOCAL NEWS

—Harry Raymond and family, of Plano, and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Haymond, of Chicago, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Blodgett.

—In last week's issue we had J. W. Young in South Dakota for a two weeks' vacation, but we now learn that no such good luck has befallen J. W. Instead he is plodding his weary way alone in Bachelor-state at 122 Linscott avenue.

—Roy Moore left a few days prior to Mrs. Young, and after visiting the family of his uncle, George Barr, in Iowa, continued his journey westward with his aunt. Understand that Roy is employed by his uncle, J. F. Barr, in the automobile business.

—Order your bedding plants of C. V. Wolf, Phone 136 J.

—The Arcadian Club will meet at the home of Walter Chessman, 45 E. Warren avenue, Saturday evening, June 1st. An address will be given by Prof. O. M. Searles. All club members are urgently requested to be present.

—The Misses Beatrice Glass, Beatrice Morrissen and Theresa Kricklan visited with Miss Hazel Staats, Sunday.

—Miss Henrietta Staats returned from her two weeks' vacation in Washington, D. C., Saturday. Through the courtesy of Congressman Copley she visited the Senate and Congress while in session, and was shown through the White House.

—Under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society, Miss Frances Hughes, the accomplished reader, will give a recital Thursday evening, June 6th, at the Congregational church. Tickets 25 cents.

—Mrs. Fretts, who has undergone an operation at St. Luke's Hospital is improving nicely.

—Mr. William Barber is very ill at his home on Curtis street.

—Mrs. Whitney Bundy, formerly of Oakwood avenue, spent last Monday with Mrs. John J. Herkins. She and her husband are enroute from Los Angeles to their home in Buffalo, N. Y.

—The D. G. Domestic Science Club held their semi-annual luncheon at the residence of Mrs. T. H. Slusser's on Thursday, the 23d. Each member was allowed to demonstrate her favorite dish and the keen appetites and merry jests of the company attested to their excellence. Mrs. Slusser proved herself a charming hostess. The club is already anticipating the garden party to be held at the close of the club year in August.

—Geraniums, five best varieties, at Herrick's S. S. Greenhouses.

—The Public Library is growing more in favor every day, as is proven by the increasing number of cards being taken out. At present there are 300 persons taking books, and the number is increasing each day. Last Friday about 7:30 p. m., there were 23 people in the room at one time. Thirteen of them around the reading table, the balance selecting books from the shelves. The Librarian states that this is nothing unusual, and that frequently the room is even more crowded. At this rate the library board will soon have to look for larger quarters.

—Lawn mowers sharpened and repaired. G. H. Ware, 125 Linscott ave. Phone 34 W.

—Miss Florence Bates has made the Public Library a donation of a number of books which are very acceptable and will be duly appreciated.

—Mr. W. B. Towsley has presented to the library a set of four volumes of "Half-House With Famous Authors," which are a very welcome addition and will be appreciated by many.

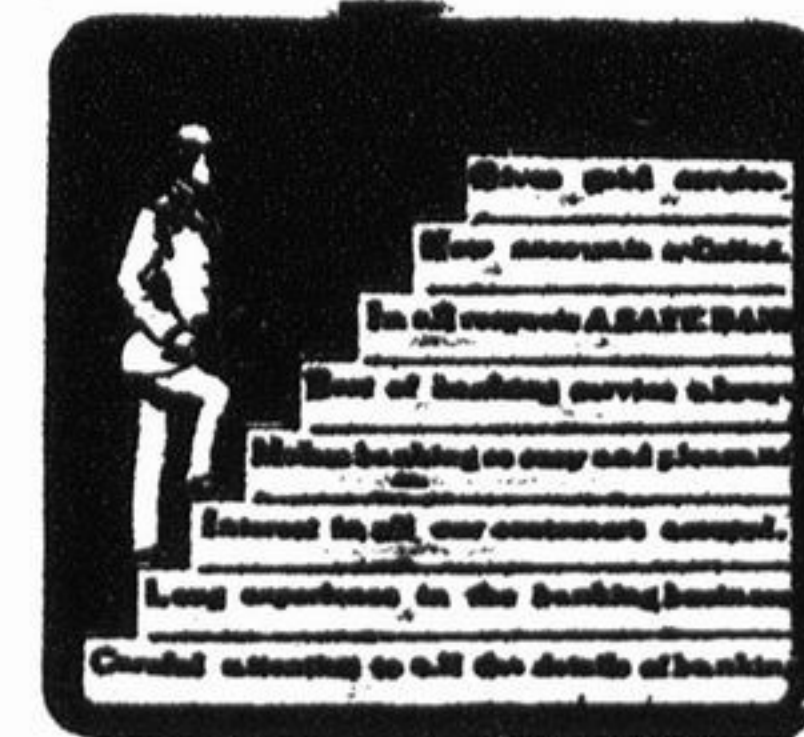
—Tomato, cabbage, cauliflower and egg plants at C. V. Wolf, Phone 136 J.

—The High School students are now rehearsing the comedy "Esmeralda," which they will stage at the Auditorium Friday evening, June 14th. The cast includes practically the same scholars who took part in the play, "Mr. Bob" last year, which was such a great success, and we feel sure that "Esmeralda" will meet with equal, if not greater, success. Although the play itself is sufficient attraction for the evening, the Downers Grove Orchestra will also furnish some excellent music, which will be an additional feature. The proceeds of the play will be used to purchase new books for the Public Library.

—The Mrs. J. W. Young is in South Dakota visiting her sister, Mrs. J. F. Barr, of Rapid City, formerly Miss Ethel Barr, of this village.

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MOTIOGRAPH NEWS

"HOW WASHINGTON CROSSED THE DELAWARE." The Motiograph have arranged a very pleasing, interesting and instructive program for Decoration Day, Thursday, May 30th. They have also arranged for an entertainment Thursday Afternoon, from 4:00 to 5:30. At this entertainment a little wagon will be given to the lucky person.

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