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CENTRAL COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Delegates from various churches of the village met at the Congregational Church Sunday afternoon, June 2, and effected an organization known as "The Central Committee." Officers were elected, by-laws adopted, and the society launched with a force that will make its influence apparent within a short time.

The scope of this society is to centralize the common interests of our church organizations. Based on the principle that harmony generates strength, we predict greater progress in the moral and civic advancement of our good village. A long-felt need of proper environment and influence among our boys during their leisure hours will at once receive the attention of the Central Committee. It goes without saying that causes of this nature will merit the co-operation of every citizen.

The society invites to membership every Christian organization within our village, and solicits the good will and support of all good citizens.

THE TELEPHONE GIRL.

We read of fair maidens in story,
Whose deeds set the earth in a whirl,
But for genuine gems they're not in it
With the up-to-date telephone girl.
We see her trip by in the morning,
From her cap peeps a soft, fluffy curl,
This great central link of existence,
Indispensable telephone girl.
The day through she promptly assists us,
And it must be an out and out churl,
Who can't name by hundreds the favors
We get from the telephone girl.
Few there be who cheerfully serve us,
In modern day life she's a pearl,
Just try living one day without her,
Hats off to the telephone girl.

—Franklin Huling has had to discontinue his course at the Los Angeles Bible Institute for the present and is now having a rest and change in Oakland, Cal., where he is visiting his sister and renewing acquaintance with the families of W. S. Carpenter and Thos. Watson, former residents of the village.

—Mr. and Mrs. Rollo Cole of Chicago are spending some time in the village with their sister, Mrs. Lydia Mueller.

ORGANIZE NEW COMMANDERY.

Trinity Commandery, U. D., Organized for Knights Templar Along Burlington Road.

One of the most important events in the history of Masonry in this territory was the organization, Wednesday evening, May 29, of Trinity Commandery, U. D. at LaGrange. For a long time such a movement has been contemplated as it was very inconvenient for the many Knights Templar along the Burlington road to attend the meeting of Siloam Commandery at Oak Park to which so many of them belonged.

The new commandery embraces the territory between Berwyn and Downers Grove and the prospects are for a large membership as several hundred Knights are residents in this district and doubtless many other Masons will become Knights now that there is a commandery which can be so easily reached from all the towns. It was because of its central location, good train service and large number of resident Knights that LaGrange was selected as the meeting place.

The Trinity Commandery was organized Wednesday night, and dispensation asked for. It will work "U. D." until September when the Grand Commandery meets.

The first officers are: Eminent Commander—H. E. Patterson, of LaGrange.

Generalissimo—Arthur R. Wolfe, of Berwyn.

Captain General—R. C. Fletcher, of LaGrange.

The line officers have not been appointed.

These men have all been active in Templar work and their election gives assurance that the new commandery will be organized in keeping with the traditions and highest standards of Masonry.

The commandery starts out with some eighty members, and in the number are men from Berwyn, Riverside, Brookfield, LaGrange Western Springs, Hinsdale, Willow Springs, and Downers Grove. About fifty out of the eighty Knights were members of the Siloam Commandery.

For the present the Knights will meet in the Masonic rooms in the Sackett building, but it is probable that the organization of the Commandery will revive the movement for building a Masonic Temple on South Fifth avenue. It will be remembered that the Masons bought the Dr. Fox property and had plans drawn for a handsome building which will probably be erected at no distant date, in order to provide the rooms so much needed by the different Masonic orders.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

Largest Class in History of the Downers Grove High School Completes its Course.

The sweet girl graduate, fourteen of her, together with four young men, received diplomas last Friday evening, testifying completion of the prescribed course of study in the Downers Grove high school. The exercises were held in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the class, looking its best, occupied the chairs.

Elmer H. Uhlhorn gave an oration on "The Progress of the West," which showed thought and ability. Miss Vivian Selter, valedictorian, spoke feelingly of the school life of the class, and Miss Miriam L. Butler, class president, in a witty and apt manner, presented the speaker of the evening, Prof. Percy H. Boynton, of the University of Chicago, who discussed the "Meaning of Commencement."

The graduation march was played by Miss Bessie Nash, and numbers by the Girls' Glee Club, the Boys' Glee Club, and the school chorus were presented.

President Jonas R. Foster, of the Board of Education, presented the diplomas with a few well chosen words.

The members of the class of 1912 presented by Superintendent Geo. C. Butler, were: Jay Malcolm Allison, Cora L. Buschmann, Miriam Lucille Butler, Robert W. Carpenter, Reuben L. Diener, Leslie Marion Dunnagan, Edna Henrietta Hemphill, Genevieve M. Lacey, Ruth M. Lancaster, Ethel Bernice Morgan, Marie Irene Olson, Ethel Clare Phelps, Anita Riel, Vivian Selter, Ethelyn Smart, Elmer H. Uhlhorn, Lillian B. Washburn, Fannie Pauline Whitney.

Class Motto—Nur ein Anfang.
Class Colors—Black and Gold.
Class Flower—Daffodil.

EIGHTH GRADE EXERCISES

The eighth grade, in connection with the completing of the work of the grammar school, presented a cantata Tuesday evening, May 28, which reflected great credit on them and their instructor, Miss Claire Zollinger. The program follows:

Program—Part 1.
a. Stars of the Summer Night..... Chorus
b. Sunset..... Chorus
Violin solo..... John Mochel
Reading..... Eleanor Cook
Robert of Sicily (Tales of a Wayside Inn)—Longfellow.
Angel Serenade..... Chorus
Violin solo..... Alvar Hagen
Reading..... Eleanor Cook
The Theater Party (Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch)—Alice Hagan Rice.

Program—Part 2.
The Morn..... Chorus
The Lark and the Nightingale..... Girls' Chorus
White Butterfly..... Chorus
Lovely Rosebuds (alto solo)..... Chorus
Avis Lempke
Summer Breezes..... Chorus
The Bees..... Chorus
A Happy Streamlet..... Boys' Chorus
Jack Carpenter, Carl Dunnagan, Willis Sherman, Owen Griffiths.
Good Night..... Chorus
Garden of Flowers..... Chorus

NINETEEN TWELVE "INITIATED."

Eighteen young ladies and gentlemen, members of the class of 1912, appeared last Saturday evening before the Downers Grove High School Alumni Association and were initiated into the organization by the short form.

Questions calculated to disturb the equilibrium of the novitiates were propounded by the interlocutor of the evening, and the answers being satisfactory the class was declared admitted to full membership in the alumni association.

Miss Manley, principal of the high school, presented the class to the alumni and told of its excellent record in the school work.

Miss Maud Lamb was elected president, Miss Lillie Deoreaux secretary, and E. N. Sucher treasurer for the coming year.

WAS SATISFACTORY SHOW.

The Seibel Bros. dog and pony show gave two performances in Geneva last Saturday. That they made good is not argued by anyone who attended the two performances. The antics and stunts performed by the ponies, dogs and monkeys, were certainly wonderful, and no one regretted the admission price. This show was here seven years ago, made good that time, and it added to the overflowing house in the evening. The Seibel Bros. are square fellows and will get a good crowd in Geneva any time they come.—Geneva Republican, Wednesday, Sept. 27, 1911. Will exhibit at Downers Grove Wednesday, June 12th.

DU PAGE COUNTY PIONEER DEAD.

William Barber was born in Naperville, Ill., in 1832, and died at his home in Downers Grove, on May 30, 1912, aged 80 years.

Mr. Barber lived in Naperville until 1850, when he went to California and later went to Australia and South America. In 1855 he returned to the United States and was married to Martha Crossett and moved to Wisconsin. He made his home there until 1868 when he returned to Naperville, where he resided until 1903, when the family moved to their present home at Downers Grove.

Mr. Barber is survived by his widow and one son, Dr. Walter Barber.

Funeral services were held at his home and in St. John's Episcopal Church of Naperville, Rev. Crisman, of Downers Grove, conducting the same, on Saturday afternoon, and interment made in the Naperville cemetery. Euclid Lodge No. 65, A. F. & A. M., had charge of the funeral.

He had been a Mason for fifty-six years and was the first male child born in the county.

LOCAL NEWS

—Thursday night, June 27, is the date set for a Japanese wedding in Downers Grove. Keep that date open.

—On the evening of Thursday, June 27, the Congregational Church will give a social for members and friends. The place will be announced later. Remember the date.

—The Ladies' Library Association held their regular monthly meeting at the library room, Tuesday, June 4. The association heartily appreciates the kindness of Mr. C. V. Wolf in donating the flowers for the window box this season. Remember, June 14, the date of the play "Esmeralda," which is being given for the benefit of the library.

—Have you ever tried Vulcan films or plates? There is no better made. Will fit all makes of cameras. For sale at S. J. Perkih's.

—Mr. Walter Daniels is making his home with Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Wells of Saratoga Ave.

—It's immense. What? "Esmeralda." At the Auditorium, Friday night, June 14.

—Mrs. John Griffiths and daughter Jennie are expecting to make a trip to San Francisco, Cal., to meet Mrs. Fox, a sister of Mrs. Griffiths, who is on her way from Manila to visit here.

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

—See it and bring your friends. "Esmeralda" and the Downers Grove Orchestra. At the Auditorium, Friday night, June 14.

—Mrs. Charles Walters, of Oakwoods avenue, is spending a few weeks with relatives at Pontiac, Mich.

—Mrs. John Fender, of Carpenter street, is a patient in the Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago. Mrs. Fender has been in poor health for some time, and it is likely that an operation will be necessary.

—Herman Wahlberg has been suffering with an attack of lumbago.

—Miss Nixon visited at the Olsen home on Oakwoods avenue.

—G. L. James and wife and E. Mounts and wife were visitors at the home of Phil Vix, of Grove street, Mrs. James and her mother, Mrs. Mounts, along with Mrs. Phil Vix and her little daughter, comprised four generations, all happy and enjoying life, and exceedingly proud of the title they bear.

—B. C. White and son Howard are spending a week at Rochester, Minn., with Mr. White's mother.

—There will be a Band Concert next Monday evening at the corner of Curtis and Main Sts.

—Emery Brunson is here from Buffalo, N. Y., visiting at the home of his grandmother, who is in very poor health.

—Maud Dewey is at home with a sore throat and Franklin Dewey is suffering from pleurisy.

—Frank Spencer and Percy Ford, two Chicago young men, walked to Downers Grove Wednesday and stayed over Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Staats, to rest up before hiking back.

—The report that Miss Katherine Wall had tendered her resignation as assistant postmaster, as printed in last week's issue, is an error.

The evening service at the Congregational Church next Sunday will be a musical event. Musical numbers will be rendered by the choir—solos, duets and quartets.

—The Woman's Guild of St. Andrew's Church will give a thimble party Wednesday, June 12, from 2 to 5 p. m., at the home of Mrs. L. Edwards. Tea and wafers will be served and a social time enjoyed. Come and bring your friends.

—It is not much use to "Swat the fly" while the man who maintains a fly breeding nuisance next door remains unswatted.

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THE HIGH SCHOOL PLAY

The students of the High School will present a high-class comedy entitled "Esmeralda," Friday evening, June 14, at the Auditorium. The Downers Grove Orchestra, of eight pieces, will furnish the music for the occasion.

The proceeds of the entertainment will be used for the benefit of the Public Library.

Cast of Characters.

Mr. Elbert Rogers, a North Carolina farmer.....Earl Prince
Mrs. Lydia Ann Rogers, his wife..... Marie Olson
Miss Esmeralda Rogers, his daughter.....Edna Hemphill
Dave Hardy, a young North Carolinian.....Arthur Mountair
Mr. Estabrook, a man of leisure.....Elmer Uhlhorn
Mr. Jack Desmond, an American artist.....Myron Towaley
Miss Nora Desmond, his sister.....Miriam Butler
Miss Kate Desmond, his sister.....Anita Riel
Marquis De Montessin, a French Adventurer.....Reuben Deener
George Drew, an American speculator.....Bob Carpenter
Sophie, a maid.....Marian Dunnagan

MANY APPLY FOR PENSION INCREASE

Congressman Copley Sends Out Applications, Then Files Them.

One thousand applications for increase of pensions under the new law were sent to members of Grand Army Post of the congressional district by Congressman Copley a week ago, and up to the present time 385 of these applications have been returned to the congressman and filed by him in the pension office.

The filing out and filing of these applications means an increase of from \$1 to \$15 each month for every soldier, depending on the age of the soldier and the length of his service.

If any old soldiers in the district have not received blank applications Congressman Copley will be pleased to send them at once on writing to him at Washington, D. C., and to see that they are filed in the pension office as soon as they are filed out and returned.

—Mrs. John Stewart arrived in Downers Grove on Wednesday and visited at the homes of B. C. White and J. G. Wallace. Mr. Stewart joined Mrs. Stewart here on Friday and accompanied her back to Macomb, N. Y.

MOTIOGRAPH NEWS

SATURDAY, JUNE 8th

"THE DUMB WOOING" is really the best Edison comedy ever produced. Just imagine a courtship without a word, actually leaving out all those nice sweet phrases. Don't you think a photoplay based on this ought to make any one laugh? If you want to laugh be sure to see it. If you think you've got the blues just give "Doctor Motiograph" a chance to drive them away with this wonderful laugh producer.

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