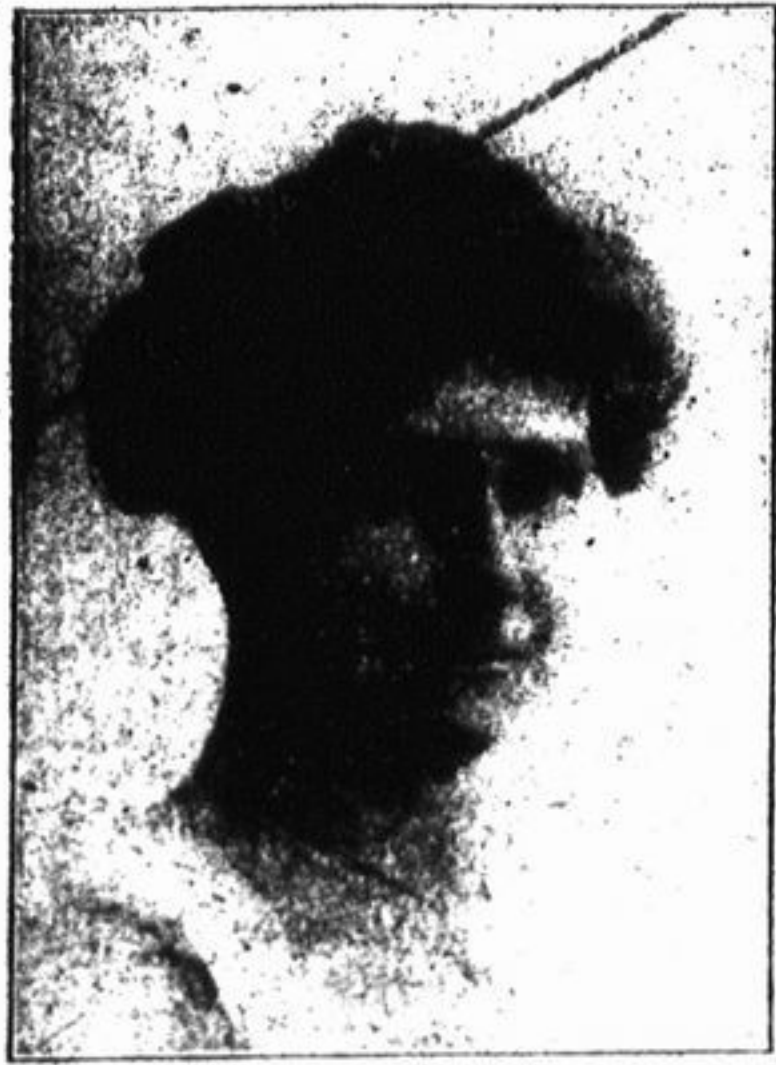


# DOWNERS GROVE REPORTER

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WHOLE NO. 1515



Mrs. Genevieve Puffer Reed is giving a series of readings at the Baptist church in connection with a series of vesper service addresses by the Rev. R. Wilbur Babcock. Mrs. Reed is well known for her rare talent in interpreting the meanings of books. Her work in connection with books in Chicago has added to her native ability, the close acquaintance of the best books that are written. In this series of readings Mrs. Reed will interpret "The Harvester," "The Iron Woman," "Letters of a Merchant to His Son," and "A Certain Rich Man."

These vesper services are for the moral and spiritual uplift of the community—and are free to all. Those who know Mrs. Reed and her work will not need a second invitation to hear her. These readings are given on Sunday afternoons at five o'clock at the Baptist church.

## NAPERVILLE ADOPTS COMMISSION FORM.

At an election held last Wednesday Naperville voted on the question "Shall the City of Naperville Adopt the Commission Form of Municipal Government." The proposition carried by a vote of 260 to 193. Only about one-half of the voters of the city registered their desire at the polls.

Following was the result by wards:

Ward	Yes	No
First Ward	83	24
Second Ward	35	62
Third Ward	96	19
Fourth Ward	46	88
Total	260	193

Majority for the proposition 67.

### Concise Explanation.

A young policeman giving evidence in a London burglary case was so excited that he accidentally said: "Please, your worship, I was the only person present in the house except another constable, who was outside."

## WOODROW WILSON CLUB.

The Woodrow Wilson men donned their campaign war paint last Saturday evening at a meeting held in the club rooms on the second floor of the Hart building, Main and Curtis streets. While the gathering was strictly a business meeting it was well attended and great enthusiasm was displayed when President B. L. Kellogg outlined the plans of the organization. At this meeting a number of new members were enrolled.

Mr. Kellogg said he was much gratified by the hearty support the Woodrow Wilson club was receiving in Downers Grove. He declared that the club would begin an active program by holding a public rally at the corner of Main and Curtis streets on the night of Sept. 14. A cornet solo, campaign songs and a stirring address by a well known Chicago orator are promised. The name of the speaker and the other details of the evening's entertainment will be announced in a later edition of the Reporter. The club will hold these public meetings every two weeks during the entire campaign. Arrangements will be made to have one or more orators of state-wide reputation at each of these meetings.

It is probable that Samuel Alschuler, Judge Dunne and J. Hamilton Lewis will speak at gatherings later in the campaign.

## PLEASANTLY ENTERTAINED.

Mrs. A. P. Daniels entertained in honor of her guest, Mrs. Root of Georgia, who has made a visit of a few weeks among her old friends in Downers Grove. The guests were Mesdames T. M. Campbell, F. W. C. Hayes, J. M. Burns, M. A. Sacksteder, William Straube, Louis Jones, Ballard Waples, A. R. Heckman, F. C. Lancaster, J. C. White, Miss Fanny Stewart, F. A. Root.

Miss Lucy Hayes and Maxine Findlay assisted the hostess in serving refreshments and old acquaintance was delightfully renewed.

## FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REUNION OF THE 105th ILLINOIS INFANTRY.

Wm. Beidelman, Lon Palmer, Capt. and Mrs. Rogers, Geo. Hearty, Gene Farrar, Dave Kline, Dr. Leech, Garry Wallace of Downers and John Mohr, Chas. Allen and Gus Townsend of Hinsdale made up the party that left here on the 9:49 train to attend the reunion of the 105th Ill. Infantry at Sandwich, Ill. They were royally entertained and spent a most enjoyable day visiting old time comrades.

## NEW KINDERGARTEN BUILDING

The new kindergarten building in process of construction on Grove street is nearing completion, and it is hoped that it will be ready for occupancy some time during October.

The Kindergarten Extension Association which has selected Downers Grove as the site for the second of its buildings, established its first kindergarten two years ago at Brookfield, Ill., where the work has developed with most gratifying success.

The association is composed of members interested in education and especially in that branch with which the kindergarten is concerned, and their desire is to establish, equip and maintain kindergartens which will demonstrate the working out of the Froebelian, (kindergarten) philosophy of education under the most favorable conditions which they can create.

Downers Grove was selected as having no public kindergarten, and as a situation favorable in all its possibilities to good normal conditions of work.

There will be room in the new building for two separate kindergarten groups, of thirty children each.

The grounds are ample in order to include the children's small gardens and room for pets, and the plans are to make here a center for the kind of child activity in which Froebel saw the best opportunity for right growth and development.

The teaching is entirely non-sectarian, and deals only with the problems of education. There will be no charge for tuition. Those applying will be received in the order of their application up to the limit of sixty children, and all applications or inquiries may be sent to Miss Lucia Morse, director Kindergarten Extension Association, Riverside, Ill.

## REFLECTIONS AFTER LABOR DAY.

It is but a year or two since the newspapers printed editorials for Labor Day, congratulating American people on the scarcity of strikes. Peaceful bargaining had apparently succeeded to the weapons of industrial war.

But the kaleidoscope of time shifts! Never have there been so many strikes as during the past 12 months. Labor and capital seem an armed camp with watch fires ever burning, and the sullen vows of hatred sworn. One day, the non-unionist, caught between the devil of his family's fame, and the deep sea of unionism, is slugged into the ditch as he shrinkingly steals his way to the boycotted factory door. The next, the head of the greatest woolen corporation in the world is arrested, charged with planting dynamite to create feeling against the unions. Whether he be guilty or not, the world of capital is full of men who would prevent the workman from organizing for his own protection if they could.

And yet, side by side with all this strife and pillage, all over our country there are industrial towns where labor and capital have always dwelt together in peace and good will. They may lie but a few miles from the strike arena, and yet an ocean of difference seems to separate them.

In a general way it can be said that the communities that have kept out of labor wars have been those where the condition of the workman was a primary consideration in building up an industry.

One type of employer bargains for his labor as he would bargain for his coal. If the labor of tender mothers and frail children or raw aliens comes cheaper, he buys it in preference, with no more thought of social relations than if he were changing his coal-man.

Another type of capitalist has always fought shy of the cruder industries where living conditions are low. "Let the other fellow have them, I'll wait for something else where I can employ my neighbors and give them homes with a bath tub and a backyard garden." The men from those homes much prefer to be hoeing the potatoes than heaving rocks at scabs.

Labor, too, has had its sins equally with capital. In the narrow mind of the professional agitator, human problems become distorted. If a man employs his own boy to paint a chicken coop, he is an employer of scab labor and an enemy to the cause.

O, for laborers and capitalists who can look at things from the other man's point of view!

## SOLDIERS' REUNION.

That there may be no misunderstanding I wish to announce that the invitations sent out to the veterans to attend a soldiers' reunion in Wheaton Thursday, September 12, do not extend an invitation to the wives of veterans. Neither are the widows of veterans invited.

J. E. STRAWN, Vice President DuPage County Soldiers and Sailors Association.

## RIG STOLEN.

The little bay mare, with the white spot on the near front knee, is gone from Baker's livery; also a rubber tired, black top buggy, with red stliped gear is missing from the same place. Charlie Baker is looking for the rig and also for a "big man," who hoisted his 250 pounds into the black buggy, slapped the lines on the back of the little bay mare last Tuesday, remarking that he was an insurance man and would be back soon, and then disappeared in the general direction of the horizon.

Charlie waited till long past bedtime for the man and mare, and then organized a searching party. Traces, believed to be those of the fat insurance party and the rig were followed through La Grange and Lyons. At 22d street and Ogden avenue the trail was lost.

Information relative to the whereabouts of the missing animal will be gladly received by Mr. Baker, who has offered a reward for the return of his property.

## LOCAL NEWS

—Mrs. J. M. Riel has been entertaining her sister and family of Chicago.

—Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Wylie are very happy over the arrival of a little daughter at their home on Maple avenue.

—Mr. and Mrs. Gene Heymond spent a few days last week with Mrs. Haymond's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Caldwell.

—Miss Fannie Wilson has returned to her home, after several months' absence.

—Miss Irene Hasdell is spending a week with her aunt, Mrs. R. W. Bond.

—Mrs. John Gillespie's mother is ill at the Gillespie home on Fairmount avenue.

—Miss Katherine Heckman has entertained several Rogers Park friends during her vacation.

—Sunday morning George Riel took his sisters and cousins and Miss Irene Hasdell for a delightful auto ride.

—The Berner home on Maple avenue has been sold again.

—Mrs. Harry Foster of La Grange, and son Harold, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Foster.

—Miss Virginia Poetter spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Bond.

—Mrs. E. O. Stanley and Mrs. A. Anderson and daughter returned Sunday evening from Geneva Lake, where they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Moore.

—Mrs. Rutherford and Mrs. Noble were Sunday guests of Mrs. J. C. White on Saratoga avenue.

—Dr. Puffer and C. E. Davis went to the auto races at Elgin last Saturday.

—Mr. and Mrs. John Zell were in Downers Grove Labor Day.

—Mrs. F. D. Lindley is entertaining her sister.

—The "Seventeen Club" will meet with Mrs. Gill, Forest avenue, next Wednesday afternoon, at 1:45 sharp.

—Gov. Hiram Johnson of California, candidate for vice president on the Progressive ticket, will visit Aurora on his campaign tour of the state. He will be there on Sept. 10th. He will arrive at 6:15 o'clock in the evening and will deliver an address, probably at the corner of Main street and Broadway, adjoining the Hotel Arthur. He will come there from Ottawa and after his speech will leave immediately for Joliet, where he will address a night meeting.

—A very serious automobile accident occurred at the Jewell Road crossing, one mile north of Wheaton, on the A., E. & C. railroad last Saturday morning. C. B. Landon, of Elgin, with his brother and son were going east, by automobile to Downers Grove and failed to see the approaching car. The front part of the automobile was on the track and was struck squarely causing the instant death of Mr. Landon. The other two were fatally injured and died in the Sherman hospital, Elgin. This crossing is known by most local drivers and the greatest care should be exercised when approaching it.

—Furniture and pictures for sale. I have been asked to dispose of a fine lot of furniture at a bargain. Includes such items as mahogany parlor set, leather couch, roll top desk, porch chairs, piano player, etc.—T. E. Brooks.

—We would like to have more boys in our choir and we would be glad to welcome them at choir practice in St. Andrew's church, Franklin and Forest avenues, Friday evening, September 6 at 8 o'clock. Mothers who have boys with voices kindly send your boys along.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cole visited relatives over Labor Day, returning to their home in Streator, Ill., that evening.

—Mr. and Mrs. George Bridgman and sons are spending their vacation in Kentucky and Pennsylvania.

—Mrs. A. E. Olsen is entertaining her cousin from Geneseo, Ill.

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## School Notes

The Downers Grove public schools opened Tuesday morning for the year's work. The outlook for a good year of work is very good. The following is the enrollment by grades: First grade, N. S. 32; first grade, S. S. 40; second grade, N. S. 32; second grade, S. S. 42; third grade, N. S. 39; third grade, S. S. 43; fourth grade, N. S. 24; fourth grade, S. S. 28; fifth grade, N. S. 29; fifth grade, S. S. 36; sixth grade, N. S. 22; sixth grade, S. S. 29; seventh grade, N. S. 32; seventh grade, S. S. 30; eighth grade, 41. High School, 112. Total 611.

## THE BAPTISTS PLAY BALL.

There have been a series of very interesting ball games going on Saturday afternoons back of the South Side school, between the Busters and Mr. Franklin's Lambs. Will Henderson of East Grove is the star player and captain of the Busters, while Wynn Insley is captain of the Lambs, and with Many Alderson and Carl Dunning is among the stars on the Lambs' side.

There have been large and enthusiastic audiences at all of the games. Next Saturday they play the next in

the series. The games have been played at three o'clock.

## THE PHILATHEA.

The Philathea Class of the M. E. church held its regular monthly business meeting at the home of Mrs. T. E. Brooks, East Curtis street, Sept. 2. The meeting was called to order at 8 p. m. by Miss Carrie Barmore, the president.

Mrs. E. W. Lewis announced her intention of moving to Louisiana and offered her resignation as chairman of the publicity committee. Mrs. J. C. Spray was elected to serve in her stead.

The hostesses of the evening were Mrs. T. E. Brooks, Mrs. G. C. Butler, Mrs. E. Gustin, and Miss Jennie Lott. Ice cream and cake were served for refreshments.

### Telephones in Asia.

It is estimated that in Asia there are about 170,000 telephones, mostly in Japan. The number in Singapore exceeds one thousand, and there are about as many in Siam and Cebu China.

### Cruel.

Wife—I'm going out now, dear. Hubby—Oh, no; just set the parrot here before you go.

## MOTIOGRAPH NEWS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th

"A WAR TIME ROMANCE" takes us back to the Civil War period, back to what was known as neutral territory. Her sweetheart was a Confederate, her brother a Northerner.

"IN MAORILAND"—Remarkable pictures of New Zealand. "Yellowstone Park."

"THE BARRIER THAT WAS BURNED"—A Western picture with a real snow storm.

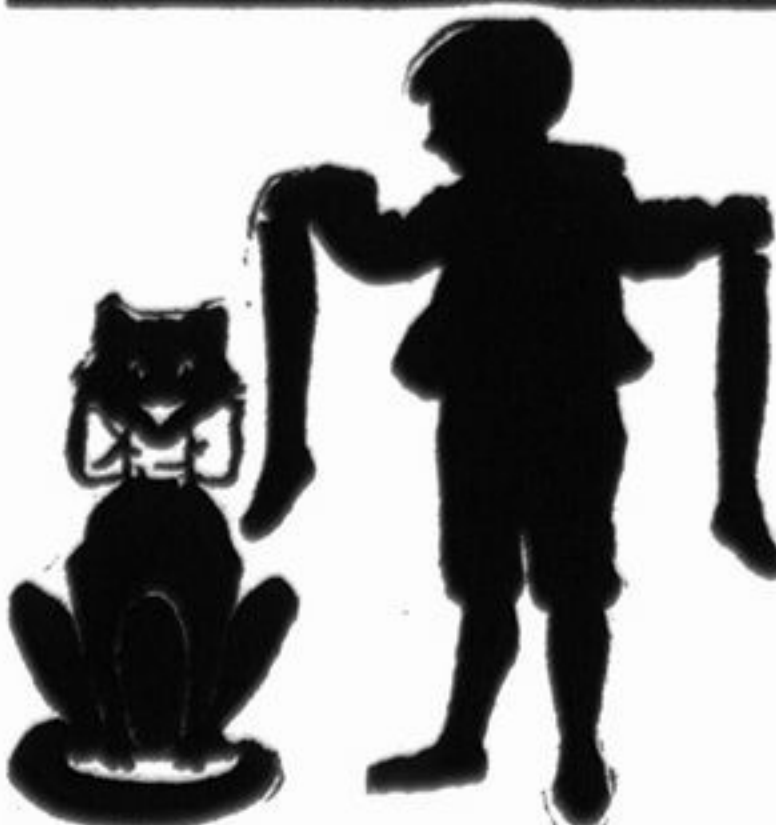
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