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WHOLE NO. 1516

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE VILLAGE BOARD

Downers Grove, Ill., Aug. 12, 1912.

The regular meeting for the month of August, 1912, was called to order by Clerk White. Roll call noted present Trustees Barr, Haller, Herring and Littleford; absent, Trustees Mahoney and Handy.

The minutes of July 8 and 16 were read and approved.

The monthly report of the village collector was read and ordered placed on file. The monthly report of the village treasurer was read and ordered placed on file. Claim ordinance No. 260, an ordinance providing for the payment of certain claims, was read and was as follows:

W. S. Ellis, \$10; Lester Barr, \$4.50; J. W. Handy, \$6; Paul Herring, \$6; Chas. Haller, \$3; L. C. Mahoney, \$3; J. Littleford, \$1.50; J. W. Rogers, \$70; W. H. Blodgett, \$80; Geo. Hoffert, \$70; Fred Levering, \$72.50; T. H. Slusser, \$21; Bert C. White, \$25; Martin White, \$70; Marshall Perry, \$70; Will Stoner, \$70; Ernest Van Auker, \$65; George Geisert, \$60; J. W. Rogers, account of T. H. Wilburn, \$125; T. M. Hull, \$12.75; Lord Lumber company, \$10.06; C. E. Baker, \$72; John Fender, \$54.50; Chrestin & Western company, \$15.41; C. H. Staats & Son, \$74.95; Q. Schmidt, \$4; Thos. H. Drew, \$18.50; Thos. Bunting, \$6.55; H. J. Hawkins, \$33.75; Crane company, \$10; Amber Electric company, \$3.98; Western Electric company, \$50.58; Rex Oil company, \$11.75; Marblehead Lime company, \$6.06; H. Mueller Manufacturing company, \$18.81; C. W. Morderwell Coal company, \$348.64; Morrison-Plummer company, \$5.06; Scott Valve company, \$25; Adkins, Young & Co., 74 cents; General Electric company, \$29.24; H. Channon company, \$10.88; C. E. Baker, \$7; Philip Bruder, \$1; Louis Klein, \$1; Fred Binder, \$1; Philip Moebel, \$1; Sam Hoffert, \$1; George Dicke, \$1; F. Leibunduth, \$1; Julius Oestman, \$1; Brooks-Mueller company, \$15.25; W. H. Blodgett, \$19.81; Lehman & Michel, \$1.15; W. H. Blodgett, \$45.10; Guy L. Bush, \$135; Western Electric company, \$48.96; J. W. Rogers, \$4.50.

It was moved by Trustees Herring and Barr that ordinance be put upon its passage. Motion carried, all voting aye. Said claim ordinance No. 260 was then passed. Those voting aye were Trustees Barr, Herring, Haller and Littleford. Nays none.

An ordinance entitled an ordinance providing for the levying upon the taxable property within the limits of the village for the year 1912 was read. It was moved by Trustees Barr and Haller ordinance be put upon its passage. Motion carried, all voting aye. Said ordinance was then passed. Those

voting aye were Trustees Barr, Herring, Haller and Littleford.

It was moved by Trustees Haller and Herring that the treasurer be instructed to invest money now in library building fund in special assessment bonds of the village. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Communication read from F. D. Lindley asking the board to apportion special assessments on property recently purchased by him on Highland avenue. Matter referred to President Ellis to adjust.

Representative from Chicago Telephone company present and spoke with reference to joint use of poles in the village. Matter referred to the attorney to look into matter of agreement.

Mr. Straube spoke to the board about water, sidewalks and paving of Burlington avenue. Matter was referred to board of local improvements.

Upon proper motion board adjourned to Aug. 20.

BERT C. WHITE,
Village Clerk.

ACCIDENTAL DROWNING.

Willard H. Axium was drowned in the Golf last Sunday, where he had gone swimming in company with his brother Clarence and Axel Johnson. The boys, after walking to the Golf, went in, the two younger boys staying near shore and Willard swimming out into deeper water several times and coming back to the shore. He finally walked out backwards until the water got to his chin, when he slipped or fell back, and when he came up called once for help. The two boys made heroic efforts to save him, Axel throwing a pair of water wings to him, which he managed to reach but let go again; then Axel got a thin board and went out as far as he could go with Clarence holding his hand, and reached it to Willard, who grabbed it, but unfortunately pulled it out of Axel's hand. He then got a log and pushed it out, but by that time he had gone down for the last time. The boys did all they could and were fortunate to escape a like fate in their efforts to save him.

The body was not found for an hour and efforts at resuscitation were futile. The coroner's jury brought in a verdict of accidental drowning. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Baptist church and interment was made at the West Side cemetery.

Miss Sarah Sucher died at Rockford, Ill., last Thursday. The body was shipped to Downers Grove and funeral was held Sunday. Burial at the West Side cemetery.

She—I'm afraid you are sickle. He—Fickle? Not I. For over eight years I have stuck to the same brand of cigarettes.—Philadelphia Record.

VESTA CHAPTER NO. 242 O. E. S.

Tuesday, Sept. 10, was a day long to be remembered by the officers and members of Vesta chapter No. 242, as that was the date of the official inspection of the worthy grand matron, Mrs. Hester M. Smith, and her corps of officers. The evening meeting was preceded by a 6 o'clock dinner served by the Ladies' Aid of the Congregational church, and eighty-three were seated at the bountifully laden tables and did ample justice to the fine menu. The guests then proceeded to the Masonic hall, which had been beautifully decorated with esters and other autumn flowers for the occasion, the degrees being conferred upon two candidates to the full satisfaction of the inspecting officer. The following present and past grand officers were welcomed in the usual graceful manner of the worthy matron, Mrs. Julia Mounteer, and occupied seats on the platform: Mrs. Hester M. Smith, worthy grand matron; Mrs. Cassie Gregory Orr, associate grand matron; Mrs. Lorene G. Wilson, grand Adah; Mrs. E. Mae McRea and Mrs. Amalia Huehl, past worthy grand matrons of Illinois, and Mrs. Gould, past worthy grand matron of Minnesota. Visitors were present from Rising Sun and Alamo chapters of Aurora, Althea of Naperville, La Grange of La Grange, Berwyn of Berwyn, Butter of Chicago and other places were represented.

Most beautiful music was furnished by the quartette—Misses Beulah Simonson and Martha Puffer and Messrs. C. E. Graves and Leslie Puffer—a duet by Miss Anna Findley and Miss Ella Riel and solos by Miss Findley and Mr. B. Kellogg added to the work of the evening.

Mrs. Ona M. Lower on behalf of the chapter presented the worthy grand matron with a beautiful fan, and Mr. L. R. Puffer, representing the officers, presented Mrs. Allie White, their instructor, with a sterling silver tea ball. Addresses were made by the visiting grand officers and a most pleasant and profitable evening has become a memory to be long cherished by those present.

IT HAPPENED ON A STREET CAR.

A wight there was who lived his life in dear old Downers Grove, but oft, in fact, quite frequently, in Chi. He liked to rove. He had no fear of "con men," of "yeggmen," nor of "dips." He said if they attacked him he'd smite them on the lips. This wight one day was riding upon a State street car, his arms were full of bundles and his heart was full of war; he signalled to the motorman to stop at once or quicker, but as he struck the pavement he heard a quiet snicker. He felt a gentle tugging and he began to fear; he reached for the fat roll of bills he carried in the rear. It was not there. "Great snakes!" he cried, "have I been robbed, too? I need all that dear currency. Whatever shall I do?" Without an instant of delay he jumped the fleeting car and ran to the front platform and said, "O, there you are; now give me back my money or you will go to jail." The man replied, "You must be sick; what makes you look so pale? I haven't got your money; it's lying on the floor." And so our friend soon found it, 'twas lying by the door. He grabbed his roll, he counted it and found it quite intact—two tens, a twenty and a one—just forty-one in fact. This circumstance convinced him that he had Sherlock beat, and so when he got safely home he told it on the street. His friends they hearkened to him and turned to him their ear, and then in chorus to him said, "That story listens queer."

OUR PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Choice Line of Literature for the Young.

The following list of juvenile and children's books has just been put on the shelves at the public library: The Rover Boys Series, by Arthur W. Winfield: On the Great Lakes, In Southern Waters, At College, On Treasure Isle, On Land and Sea, In the Air, In the Mountains, In the Jungles, On the River, At School, Down East, In Camp, On the Farm, On the Plains, Out West, On the Ocean. Boys books, by A. T. Dudley: The School Four, Following the Ball, The Yale Cup, A Full-Back Afloat, Making the Nine, At the Home Plate. The Aeroplane series, by Ashton Le Mar: When Scout Meets Scout, Battling the Big Horn, The Stolen Aeroplane, The Boy Aeronauts' Club, A Cruise in the Sky, With Sully Into the Sioux Land, by Jos. M. Hanson. Girls' books, by Amy Brooks: Prue at School, Prue's Merry Times, Prue's Playmates, Little Sister Prue, Princess Polly at School, Adventures in Toyland, Little Polly Primrose and Her Friends, The Little Red Puss, Crisp and Fly, The Cozy Lion, Brother Billy, The Three Bold Pirates, Nibbles Pippelly Poppett, The Story of Little Black Sambo.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

The fact has repeatedly come to my notice that a rumor is being persistently circulated to the effect that the undersigned is going to leave Downers Grove.

This is to announce most emphatically that I have no intention of the kind whatever. It is my intention to remain in Downers Grove indefinitely.

M. L. PUFFER, M. D.,
Physician and Surgeon.
Graduate of Hahnemann Medical College and Hospital, Chicago.
Graduate of University of Illinois Medical College (College of Physicians and Surgeons), Chicago.
Formerly house physician Chicago Homeopathic Hospital.
Formerly house physician and ambulance surgeon Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.
Formerly chief surgeon for Grant Bros. Construction Company at building of Arizona Eastern Railroad.
Formerly chief surgeon Copper Sulphide Mining Company of Arizona and local surgeon Southern Pacific Railroad.

LOCAL NEWS

—Do not miss the opening chapters of "The Sable Larcha" on page 16 in this issue.

—Mrs. Ray Le Beau and Miss Corinne Le Beau visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. Greiner over Sunday. They intend purchasing a home in the near future in the village.

—Mr. Lee Cunningham and his sister Myrtle of Cleveland, Ohio, have returned home after a pleasant visit with their cousin, Mrs. Hugh Wylie.

—One of the aeroplanes from Cicero was seen going over Downers-Grove in a westerly direction Wednesday morning.

—A number of the boys of last year's graduating class will leave this week for college. Jay Allison will be in the University of Illinois, Bob Carpenter in Knox College and Elmer Uhlhorn in Northwestern University. Several of the girls of the class are taking special studies here in our high school.

—Mr. and Mrs. Irving Ward have returned from a short visit spent with relatives in New Hampshire.

—Miss Lucille Bush entertained the girls of the eighth grade at a watermelon party on the event of her fourteenth birthday last Saturday.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Foster spent a few days last week with their cousin, Mrs. Hiram Hawley, at Tonicks, Ill.

—The Woman's Guild of St. Andrew's Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Clark, corner Prairie and Forest avenues, Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 18, at 2:30.

—Mrs. A. G. Michel was taken to Chicago last week and had to undergo an operation for appendicitis at the Evangelical hospital, corner of Sedgwick and Wisconsin streets, Saturday. The operation was successful and Mrs. Michel is getting along nicely, and it is hoped she will be able to return home shortly.

—George Riel has been at home over a week with a sore foot and it has caused him a great deal of pain.

—Dr. W. W. Gourley and wife will leave for their southern home about the 18th. Miss Alice will attend the convent at La Grange, Ill., for a few months.

—Several little theater parties attended McVicker's Theater last week to see "The Littlest Rebel" played, considered one of the best plays of the season.

—Mr. and Mrs. King Bush entertained guests at dinner on Saturday last.

—Miss Irene Haskell returned to her home the last of the week.

—Mrs. John Atzel's brother spent Saturday and Sunday with John Atzel and daughter.

—Much credit is due Martin White, the village officer, for his active services rendered in the discharge of his duties in the unfortunate accident on Sunday, in the drowning of Willard Axium.

—Mrs. L. H. Swearingen left last Monday for an extended visit in California.

—Mrs. Gale Walker, formerly of Downers Grove, has returned and is paying a visit to her many friends.

—Marion Stanely and wife have taken rooms with Dr. M. Puffer on Curtiss street.

—Mrs. John Brown is entertaining her niece.

—Mrs. Sam Hoffert is entertaining his sister, Mrs. Goldish, and her husband from California.

—Mr. A. T. Farmer and wife from Philadelphia are guests at the home of M. B. Downer.

—Wanted—Plain sewing; neat work at reasonable prices. Mrs. Elizabeth Miller, 74 W. Curtis street, phone 191 L 2.

—A cousin of Mrs. Harry Darnley is visiting here for a while.

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A Bank's Obligations

Just as our clients plan to meet their obligations here when they become due, the officers and employees of this bank plan to meet every obligation imposed by its relations with its clients.

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ABOUT THE CEMETERY.

Plans Discussed Relative to New Burying Ground.

At the meeting held Tuesday, Sept. 3, at the Congregational church it was decided to postpone organizing the new cemetery association until definite arrangements could be made with the Stanley estate for the purchase of the unsold lots in the West Side cemetery, and the committee was directed to confer further with Mr. Lee Stanley regarding price and terms. The ground committee reported that by the purchase of eighteen acres adjoining the present cemetery on the north and east it would take in the most desirable portion of the adjacent land and would be ample for a great many years to come. The meeting adjourned to the call of the chairman to meet some evening next week, when it is hoped there will be a sufficient number of those interested present to take up the question of organizing and financing the proposition.

PLEASANT SURPRISE PARTY.

A number of the friends of Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Gourley, who regret the approaching departure of the doctor and his wife, planned a surprise for them last Friday evening. With what secrecy was possible, they met to the

number of close to a hundred at the home of Prof. Butler, next door to the Gourleys, and with considerable noise rushed across the lawn and summoned the doctor and his wife to appear.

The welcome which they received was hearty and a pleasant hour was passed, when refreshments were served and a memento of the surprise was left with the doctor and his wife in the shape of a silver samovar and its appurtenances. A small volume containing an expression of the esteem in which Dr. Gourley and his wife are held by their friends and the regret occasioned by their departure was also presented.

Dr. Gourley settled in Downers Grove in 1890, twenty-two years ago, and during that time he and his wife have bound to them a host of friends who are grieved to see them go.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank the many friends and neighbors who so kindly remembered us in our recent bereavement.—Mrs. Chas. H. Wilson and the niece and nephews.

Luxuries Sacrificed.

First Matron—"I don't see how anybody can afford any luxuries nowadays." Second Matron—"And we've given up bridge."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

MOTIOGRAPH NEWS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14th

"Broncho Billy's Pal"

An Essanay Western Photoplay.

"The Lord and The Peasant"

An Edison Love Story.

"The Burglar's Weird Reception"

A Pathe Comedy. A laugh producer.

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