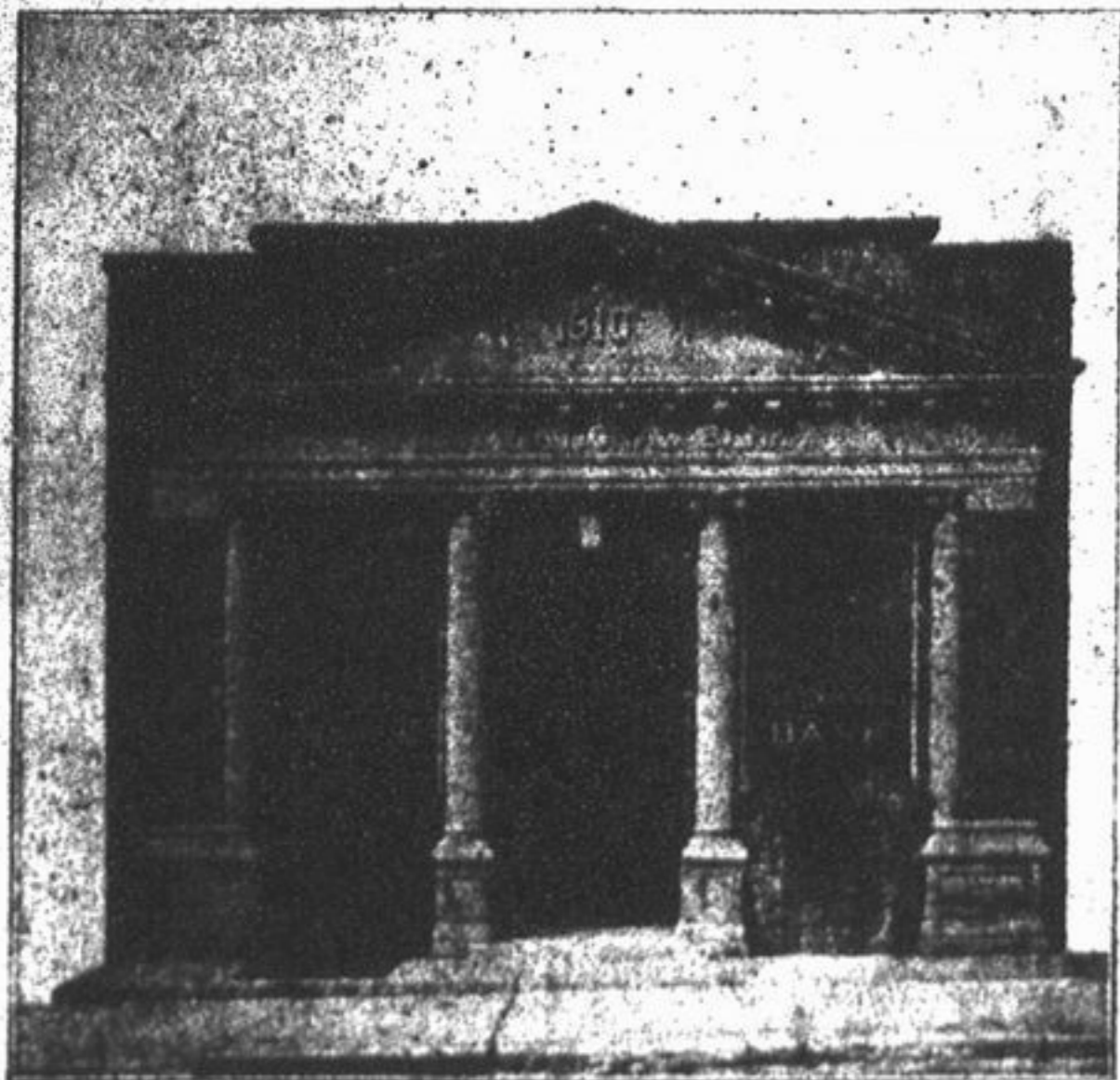


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BURGLER, CAUGHT WITH THE GOODS

Apprehended While Robbing the Bond Home on Railroad Street—
Held to Grand Jury.

James Burns, a table waiter at the camp, east of Downers Grove, was arrested Saturday night by Officer Frank Werner for burgling the Bond home on Railroad street. Mr. and Mrs. Bond and Miss Norton, a visitor at the Bond home, had attended the first performance at the Dicke theater. Burns either knew this or took a chance of there being no one at home.

Mrs. Werner and a neighbor, on the way home from the show, saw a light flickering around in the Bond house and promptly called the telephone office. Mrs. Bond coming home a few moments later (Mr. Bond had gone down town to get some ice cream) saw a screen leaning up against the house and the window wide open. She at once suspected something and hurried into the house and the telephone.

Frank Werner arrived, on the jump, just about this time and hurried around the house. He saw someone skulking behind a tree and quickly had him in the toils of the law. Burns put up hardly any resistance and was unarmed. Just before being caught he managed to get all the booty out of his pockets, thinking they wouldn't have "anything on him" if he did this.

Saturday night in a search around the back yard was found a diamond stud, three neckties, a pocketbook and a few other small articles, all of which he dropped just before being taken into custody. There are still missing two diamond stickpins.

At a preliminary hearing before Judge Tucker Monday morning he put up the plea that he was under the influence of liquor and not responsible for his actions. His plea was not allowed and he was held to the grand jury under \$1,000 bonds.

Officers White and Harold Steffey (the youngest member of the force) accompanied him to Wheaton Monday and safely lodged him in the county jail.

CHURCHES, SCHOOLS, CLUBS, PEOPLE? YES BOOSTER CLUB? NO!

THINK IT OVER.

Downers Grove, the village which is dear to the heart of every reader of The Reporter, has advantages too numerous to mention—but it has no Booster Club. It has mile after mile of paved streets, streets on which it is a joy to travel afoot, horseback or in an automobile—but it has no Booster Club. It has schools unexcelled in the state and what is still more important, its schools are filled with bright, happy children—but it has no Booster Club. It has a group of merchants who are eager to advance the interests of the village—but it has no Booster Club. It has churches and church members in numbers, good substantial churches and earnest, sincere Christians—but it has no Booster Club. It has a host of real estate men, who are busy telling the many excellent points of the village—but it has no Booster Club. It has many, yes, very many organizations which help the town, which help each other and which are accomplishing much good—but it has no Booster Club.

All the boosting Downers Grove gets is the happy-go-lucky variety. The individual boost, which depends largely on the state of health of the individual booster. If he is well and the weather is good Downers Grove gets a boost. If his breakfast disagrees with him or things are going wrong at home or in the business, all the boost the village gets is something very like a knock.

How would it seem if there should spring into being a real, live organization, numbering on its membership roll every able-minded citizen of the village and having as its only aim, BOOST DOWNERS GROVE?

When Me's Let.
A small, henpecked little man was about to take an examination for life insurance. "You don't die, do you?" asked the physician, as he made ready for tests. "Not a fast liver or anything of that sort!" The little man hesitated a moment, looked a bit frightened, then replied in a small, piping voice: "I sometimes cheat a little, yes."

TRAGIC ENDING OF YOUNG LIFE

Irvin F. Sweet, twenty-eight years old, who for several years was employed by H. G. Hawkins in the plumbing business, killed himself by taking poison last Monday evening while temporarily insane.

For some time the health of the young man who was well known and liked in the village had been poor and he brooded constantly over his physical condition. While under this severe mental strain he is believed to have bought the poison which he took with fatal effect.

The young man was a good workman and more than usually proficient in his line. After having been employed here for a number of years he went to Milwaukee and there worked at his trade returning to Downers Grove several months ago.

The verdict of the coroner's jury impanelled Tuesday morning was that he committed suicide while temporarily insane through brooding over ill health. Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon, the Rev. J. F. Jenness officiating. Interment was in the West Side cemetery and the casket was borne to the grave by friends who had known and loved the young man. His mother, two brothers, M. W. Sweet of Milwaukee and A. G. Sweet of Downers Grove, and two sisters, Miss Hazel Irene Sweet and Mrs. L. A. White of Downers Grove, mourn his untimely end.

PHILATHEA PICNIC ENDS IN SERENADE

Saturday evening the Philathea class of the Methodist church held its annual picnic at the home of Mrs. Frank Lower on Oakwood avenue. A large number gathered for supper and had a jolly time together. Later in the evening most of the company stole over to the South side and down Maple avenue to the residence of Dr. Washburn who had just returned from Michigan with his bride. There followed a horn serenade and a noisy congratulation.

Dr. and Mrs. Washburn were not the only surprised people. The company, thinking that police protection might be necessary for them, called the chief of police from Dicke's hall. Mr. White responded in such a manner as to demonstrate that he could make record time in answering a hurry call and also that he could take a joke.

After refreshments the company took their leave showering good wishes upon the bride and groom.

PEACE MEETING PLANNED

Harry S. McCartney to Speak Sunday Afternoon at Dicke's Hall.

A peace meeting designed as an expression of horror at the present direful conflict being waged across the sea, and further intended as an appeal for an immediate armistice and a plea for the establishment of international arbitration, has been called for 2:15 o'clock next Sunday afternoon in Dicke's Theater in Belmont avenue.

The speaker of the day will be Harry S. McCartney, a prominent member of the Chicago bar, and one of the authors of a peace memorial which was circulated last July in Hinsdale addressed to all of the nations now at war.

CONDON-McLAUGHLIN

Miss Mary Condon, of 23 Maple avenue, took her vacation last week to attend the wedding of her sister, Miss Anna M. Condon, to Mr. Mark McLaughlin, of Chicago, a nephew of the late Rev. P. A. McLaughlin.

The marriage took place at Visitation Church on Wednesday at 9 a. m. The Rev. D. F. McGuire officiated. The bride was attended by two bridesmaids, Alice Gushnhan, of Chicago, and Miss Anna Watson, of Altoona, Pa. The groom was assisted by his brothers, Michael, of Chicago, and Dr. W. A. of Columbus, O.

The Irish Choral Society, assisted by Miss Mae McCann, vocalist, and Miss Agnes Kamper, accompanist, rendered the music for the occasion.

The reception was held at 8 p. m. at the bride's home, 5130 Lowe avenue, and was attended by about fifty guests. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Fowler, of La Grange, and Miss Mary Condon and Miss Martha Shaller, of Downers Grove.

From Maxims of Marcus O'Tatt.
A habit of jolling in the Lap of Luxury does not help a man much when he finds himself lying face downward on the Floor of Chance.

WHO'S WHO? IN DOWNERS

Who is it that spends lots of time in fixing up the roads, so heavy Norman horses can draw still more heavy loads; who is it that scrapes the highway up into a lovely cove and then quite calmly turns around and scrapes the highway down; who is it that for years and years has made the church walls ring with great big chunks of melody when he would start to sing; who is it that can always smile no matter how things go? Why, that, dear air and madam, is Brother Charley Roe.

WHO'S WHO IN DOWNERS.

Who is it that a birthday has about four times a year; who when the ball team wins a game is always there to cheer; who drives around serenely, in not the largest car and says, "A small one's better, you know then where you are; who is it that refuses to stand for any bluff, and who won't leave a session until he has enough; who at a real good story will laugh until it hurts? Who is it? Why who could it be but good old LEVI MERTZ?

DAN BATEY TO SPEAK AT LISLE

Noted Speaker, with a Big Message, to Talk at the Lisle Congregational Church.

An interesting meeting has been planned for all who wish to attend at the Lisle Congregational Church next Sunday. Anyone who has ever heard Mr. Dan Batey, the speaker of the evening, will wish to hear him again.

Don't miss hearing the man who, from a college graduate of the city of London, from a constructive engineer, from a highly recognized family in England, went way down into the deeps. He was lost to his family and friends for ten years, but was found one night by the power of God, and saved, at the "Hinky Dink" mission in Chicago. He has one of the most thrilling stories to tell of the age.

Everywhere he has spoken the people ask him to come again. He will speak at the Lisle Church next Sunday, and if you fail to hear him you will miss one of the greatest talks of modern times.

OAT SMUT TREATMENT.

By E. B. Heaton, County Adviser.

This season found approximately 25 per cent of the farmers of DuPage County using treated seed. Next spring will find nearly every farmer treating his seed oats, barley and wheat unless he is badly mistaken. The formalin treatment is so simple and inexpensive that there is no reason for the large amount of smut in the small grain as was found this season in fields where untreated seed was used.

The following directions are given for those who may not know how to treat the seed:
Wet the seed oats, barley and wheat thoroughly with a solution of one pint of 40 per cent formalin solution in 30 to 35 gallons of water. Fill the wet seed in a large heap and cover with blankets or old sacks and leave stand over night. If the seed is not dry, the following morning spread it out so that it will quickly dry. It is then ready for the drill or seeder.
Many Build Silos.

More silos have already been erected in the county this season than last year, but there is still room for more. Each community has a few farmers who still doubt the value of the silo. Why they are still doubters we cannot see, for all they need to do is to go over to a near neighbor and see the amount of valuable, succulent feed stored for winter and summer use.

If you have beef or dairy cattle and do not have a silo you will find the building of one will mean your best investment of the year.—DuPage County Farm and School Bulletin.

CLEAN LIVING.

It is the one debt that every parent owes the child that the child be well born. And by well born, we do not mean necessarily that the parents must be rich and educated, but that they be clean and wholesome. The baby that comes into the world to parents that want it, that regard its coming the fulfillment of destiny, the sweetest, best work of their lives—that is the child that we call well born, and with careful training that child will do credit to the world and its parents. Clean living is better than high living.—Merrill, 1895, Page 10.



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