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CONGREGATIONAL CORNERSTONE Laid

The weather being favorable, the exercises in connection with the laying of the cornerstone of the new church were held in the open air. The service began with the Doxology, after which Rev. G. A. Manshardt of the Evangelical church pronounced the invocation.

The Scripture lesson, a compilation of various passages from the Old and New Testaments, was read by Rev. A. E. Randell, pastor of the Congregational church of Naperville. The hymn was then sung, "How Firm a Foundation." Rev. W. W. Schumaker, pastor of the Congregational church at Western Springs, made a prayer. Dr. J. Alexander Jenkins, pastor of the Warren Avenue Congregational church, Chicago, taking for his text Matt. 16:18, delivered an inspiring message in which he said the church stands for religion, for broad-mindedness, and for joy.

The choir, standing on the steps of the old building, sang the beautiful anthem, "Jerusalem." At this point Deacon J. W. Kingsley briefly recited the history of the church and deposited the copper box in its place. To Mr. M. W. Mills, chairman of the building committee, fell the honor of wielding the trowel and setting the cornerstone in the buttress of the tower. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. F. Jennings, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church.

COMMUNITY MEETING.

Friday Evening, Nov. 12.
The first of what we hope to be a series of community meetings will be held at the South Side school building Friday evening, Nov. 12th. This meeting is held by the superintendent and teachers of our public schools for the parents and friends of the school. The object is both social and educational. In addition to the social feature at this meeting, we will have with us Sidney A. Teller, director of Stanford Park West Chicago Park Commissioners, who will give his illustrated lecture.

This is a splendid lecture and one that will be of interest to our people. Mr. Teller traveled all the way to the coast to deliver this same lecture at the Panama Exposition. The lecture will be free and we hope we may have the pleasure of meeting every patron of the school on that evening. Come out and let us all enjoy a pleasant evening together.

GOLDEN WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Beidelman celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage Tuesday, November 2nd. Four of their children, Oliver of Chicago, Alvin of Forest Park; Mrs. Ella Diener of Downers Grove, and Mrs. Mabel Zimmerman of Lisle, and fifteen grandchildren, were present, while several were absent on account of illness. Besides the immediate relatives a number of their neighbors and friends were present to help celebrate the occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Beidelman were the recipients of numerous beautiful gifts and handsome floral bouquets. They were married in Naperville and have lived in Downers Grove since 1872. The Reporter joins with their friends in wishing them many more happy anniversaries.

WOMAN'S CLUB TO MEET ON TUESDAY.

Owing to a change in the program the Woman's Club will meet on Tuesday of next week, instead of Wednesday. Mrs. William I. Thomas, executive secretary of the Woman's Peace Party, will speak on "Woman and the International Idealism." Many persons will remember Mrs. Thomas as she spoke very eloquently at the peace meeting at the Methodist Church last summer and will be glad of the opportunity to hear her on this new subject. As the meeting is open there should be a large attendance. Remember the date, Tuesday, Nov. 9, at 2:30 o'clock, in the Library building.

On Wednesday, Nov. 11, the meeting will be held in Dicke's Theater, where Mrs. Holohan will sing and Prof. J. Paul Goode, of the University of Chicago, will give an illustrated lecture on "The Geographic and Economic Influence of the Great War." Club women are urged to bring friends so that many may enjoy this treat. Mrs. Howard P. Jones and Mrs. Thomas M. Campbell, delegates to the State Convention of Women's Clubs to be held at Rockford next week, will leave on Tuesday, Nov. 9.

RUMMAGE SALE A GREAT SUCCESS.

It is with gratitude to the people of Downers Grove who so liberally contributed to the sale recently held by the civic and philanthropic committee of the Woman's Club that they wish to announce its great success. Besides putting a liberal sum of money into the treasury, to be used as needs come in our village, many families were assisted to a more comfortable winter.

It has been deemed advisable by the committee to make this sale an annual affair and by so announcing it housewives will save more articles for it than otherwise might not be put to such good use.

SOLICITORS MUST HAVE LOCAL PERMIT

Residents Will Have Chance to Protect Themselves From Fakers.

Local people who have been bothered with men, women, and sometimes children running to their doors nearly every day, soliciting money for old people's homes, children's homes, sanitariums and so on and infatuation, are due for a relief. The local authorities have decided that enough fakers have come into town and with a bogus letter from some charitable institution fleeced the residents for a goodly sum of money with a few hours' work.

Hereafter if anyone comes to your door asking for funds for any charity, outside of a local cause, call someone in authority in the village. The said solicitor will be investigated thoroughly. If he or she is found to be satisfactory in every particular, a permit will be granted, otherwise not.

Do not be afraid to investigate, it may save you some money, and it certainly will have you a little anger when you find out that the money you have so generously given goes into the pockets of a rogue.

Safety first.
A case in point: Last Saturday a middle aged woman came into town. She said her home had been burned, she was the widow and the sole support of four small children. She had with her a letter signed by a Mr. Johnson, Justice of Peace, with no seal. A round of the business houses and a few residences and she had accumulated the tidy sum of nine dollars for three hours' work. Upon investigation it was learned she was taking up a claim in North Dakota, her shack, probable cost \$100, had burned. When asked who Mr. Johnson was, she said, "He is a friend of mine in Dakota." She had been doing nothing else all summer. Kinda profitable, what?

COPLEY SUBSCRIBES \$100 TOWARD SIGN

President of the Western United Gas and Electric Company Very Liberal.

Ira C. Copley, congressman from this district, and the president of the Western United Gas and Electric Company, has subscribed \$100 toward the contemplated electric sign to span Main street. This sign (if the money is forthcoming) will be placed across Main street, just north of the tracks, and in letters of fire will blazon forth that "Downers Grove is a good place to live."

Following is the letter written by Mr. Copley to C. H. Dicke:
Aurora, Ill., November 1, 1915.
Mr. C. H. Dicke,
Downers Grove.

Dear Mr. Dicke: I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of October 29th. Your letter of September 23d came during my absence and this is the first time I have seen it.
We, of course, will do our share. You can count on us for \$100 subscription. Please let me know how you are getting on with raising the money. With kindest regards and best wishes, I am,
Very sincerely yours,
I. C. COPLEY.

LIBRARY NOTES.

The final meeting of the Ladies' Library Association was held in the lecture room of the library on Tuesday, November 2. Six members were present: Mesdames Burns, Naramore, Lancaster, Huger, Sacksteder and Miss Stewart. As the end to which this organization has been working for, for twenty-five years to establish a free public library in Downers Grove has been accomplished, it was voted to disband and surrender our charter.

At this final meeting the opportunity was taken to express and extend in a national way the love and appreciation felt towards Mrs. Naramore, the oldest and most faithful worker in the organization, by presenting to her the complete poems of Whittier and Tennyson. To balance the treasurer's books the members present indulged in a little treat of ice cream and waffles.

With regret at the social parting, but with great pride and satisfaction in seeing the achievement of our highest hopes, the meeting adjourned sine die.
By the consent of the library board the surrendered charter will be hung on the library wall as a reminder of the small beginning in the attainment of the magnificent building and library now obtained.

HALLOWE'EN PARTY.

Mrs. R. C. Briggs and Mrs. C. H. Staats entertained last Saturday night a party of ladies at an old fashioned Hallowe'en party.
The house was very prettily decorated in the accepted colors of orange and black and with grinning Jack-o'-lanterns in unexpected corners, giving it a spooky appearance.
Games were played, fortunes were read and the laughter of the guests at each new ghostly experience mounted high. A suitable lunch was served late in the evening.

Those present were: Mesdames Deitcher, Kuhls, Thorsen, Dent, Bahkman, Connors and Dickerson of Hinsdale; and Mrs. Berwyn and Miss of Oak Park.

WHO'S WHO? IN DOWNERS

Who is it in the village that can take a tender vine and cut it into little bits—that is, if he is tryin'—then stick the bits into the ground with such a magic twist that in twelve months they'll bear real grapes in bunches like your fist; who has a field of strawberries, you can't call it a bed, in which the clusters are so thick they hide the leaves with red; who set a row of "sparrow-grass" with such exceeding care that he went out and cut a mess the first year it was there (that's going some, now isn't it? Well, I should rather guess, for most folks have to wait four years before they get a mess). Who is 'tish Burbank with the knack of coaxing from the ground the finest kind of Murphies, all smooth and white and round; who also raises good sweet corn, the kind called Golden Bantam; who says that what you get depends upon the way you plant 'em; who is a chicken fancier, too, and holds that sooner or later a lot of folks will find a hen is the best incubator; who wouldn't feel at home at all unless he had a cow, but who is fairly well content because he owns two now; who, when there's lots of work to do, will never try to dodge it? Who is it? Why, of course you've guessed, that man is Charles E. Blodgett.

SUBMARINE PICTURE COMING TO DICKE'S

Greatest Under Sea Motion Picture Ever Made Will Be Shown Here Next Friday.

A picture that has been reviewed by every technical magazine and a great many general magazines in America and some in Europe will be shown at the Dicke Theater next Friday night. It is the great Williamson Submarine picture. The only motion picture ever taken under water.

These pictures were made under the ocean near the Bahamas. They show strange fish, plants and the wonderful marine gardens of the Bahamas. There is the scene of a diver armed only with a knife, having a death battle with a huge blue shark. It has amazed scientists and students and delighted the patrons of the movies over the entire United States.

Endorsements of the Williamson Submarine picture have been volunteered by all the prominent educational and scientific institutions in America, headed by the Smithsonian Institute at Washington. Dorothy Dix urges all parents to take their children to see the Williamson Submarine pictures. Ada Patterson says: "Nothing so thrilling has ever been produced."

DOWNERS HIGH ELEVEN LOST TO WHEATON

Heavier Wheaton Team Piled Up 33 Points Against 3-Localis Played Good Game.

Accompanied by the largest delegation of local fans who ever left the Grove to see a football game on foreign soil, the local High School eleven journeyed to Wheaton last Saturday. The heavy Wheaton high team were too much for the "purple" squad and they suffered defeat by the score of 33 to 3.

Considering the line-up of the two elevens the locals played a cracking good game, at times throwing their heavier opponents for losses. The Downers line held fine and Wheaton resorted to forward passes and long end runs for their gains.
It was almost repetition of Den Plaines game when the tall team could jump up in the air and grab the ball out of the hands of the shorter Downers players.

The local team as a whole played an aggressive game. John Mochel distinguished himself by making the only score against Wheaton. He kicked a pretty drop over the goal posts from the twenty yard line. He also made the spectators catch their breath by missing a drop by inches from the fifty yard line.

The spectators from the Grove occupied almost the entire west side of the field and did their best by rooting to bring home a victory.
The high school girls, though outnumbered nearly ten to one, put the feminine Wheaton rooters to flight in a hand to hand battle between the first and second halves.

The game with Batavia, which was to have been played tomorrow, has been called off on account of an epidemic of diphtheria which is sweeping over Batavia.

RESOLUTION.

Whereas, We have learned with real regret of the deep affliction through which our esteemed brother, A. F. Beidelman, has been called to pass in the death of his daughter.
So much interested are we in everything which is connected with his welfare that we feel that we share this sorrow with him.

Therefore be it Resolved, That the members of Downers Grove Lodge No. 750, I. O. O. F., hereby extend to our brother and family our most heartfelt sympathy.
Be it further Resolved, That these resolutions be read in open lodge, one copy be sent to Brother Beidelman, and a copy to the Downers Grove Reporter for publication.



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