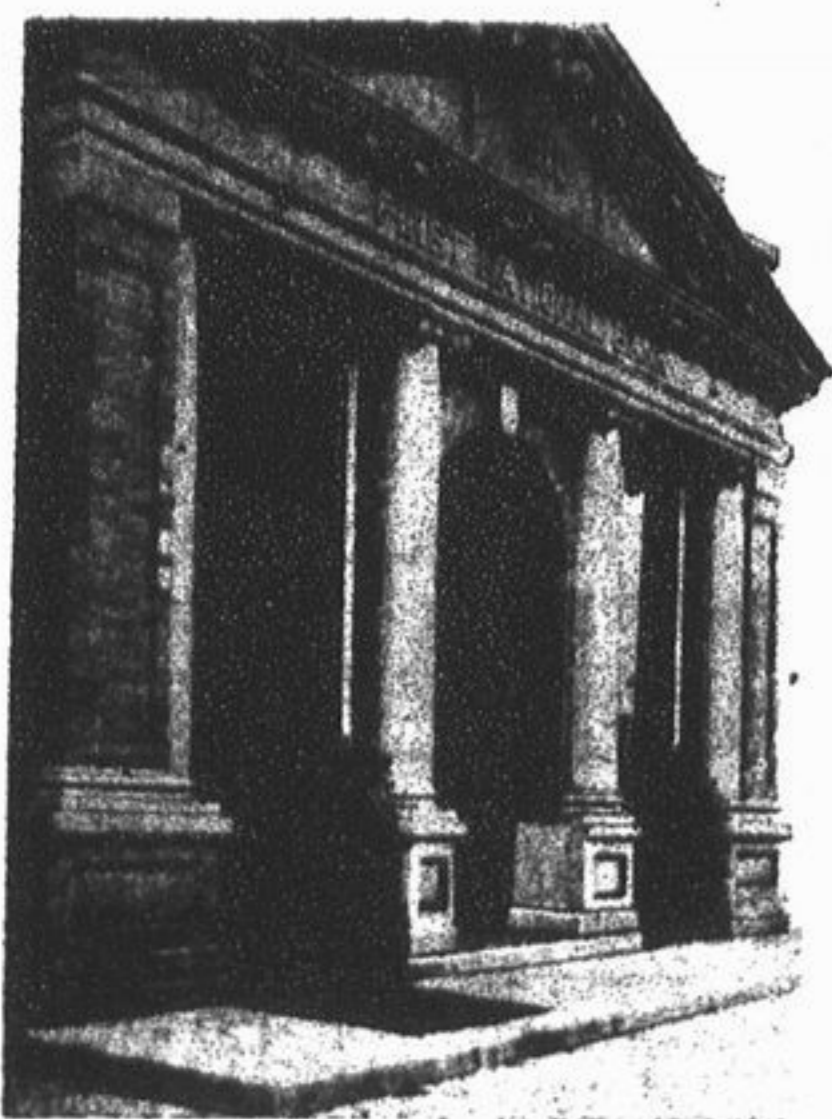


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NEXT TUESDAY IS ELECTION DAY FOR VILLAGE OFFICERS

Mayor, Four Commissioners and
Police Magistrate Are to Be
Selected.

with the exception of Dr. Barber, are serving on the present board of trustees.

The other office to be filled by the voters is that of police magistrate, for which office there are two candidates, Joseph V. Dieter, the regular nominee, and W. H. Barnhart, who was defeated at the primary and is running Tuesday on the independent ticket.

Women may vote for mayor and commissioners, but the men only have a voice in the matter of filling the police magistrate's chair.

The new form of government will change the entire management of the village. Under the present form we have a president of the board and six trustees. The trustees are placed upon various committees, such as the water and light, street and alley, etc. Under the new form this will be entirely changed, each commissioner will have charge of a separate department of village affairs, and will be responsible for that department. They are forced to meet at least once a week and have more direct power than under the old system.

Next Tuesday Downers Grove will hold its first election for the officers of the village under the commission form of municipal government. There is but one candidate for mayor, J. F. Kidwell, so he is sure of this important part in the government of the village. There are, however, five candidates for the commissionerships, with four to be elected. They are Delbert Austin, Walter C. Barber, Charles Haller, Irving G. Heartt and E. E. McCullom. The first four listed were candidates at the regular primary, while Mr. McCullom's name was written in on the ballots at that time by those who think he would make a good commissioner. The other four,

REV. E. L. HOUSE NOTED LECTURER, SPEAKING HERE

Large Audiences Listen to "The Psychology of the Gospel."

Rev. Elwin L. House, D. D., who is speaking twice each day in local churches under the general heading of "The Psychology of the Gospel," is one of the most forceful speakers Downers Grove audiences have ever had the opportunity of hearing.

In his lectures he plays upon the heart-strings of his hearers and by the power of his personality and the force of his logic takes the entire audience from a state of laughter to the verge of tears in an instant.

The meetings this week, both afternoon and evening, are being held at the First Evangelical church. Commencing with the Sunday morning service, however, he will lecture from the pulpit of the Methodist church.

A large congregation was present at his first meeting last Sunday evening, when Dr. House gave an inspiring Easter message, bringing home the great resurrection truth to each one present.

Dr. House has had an eventful career and brings personal experiences before his audiences in a way which makes them seem real. He is a writer of books and is now editing his own magazine, "The Psychogram," on whose



REV. E. L. HOUSE, D. D.

staff of contributing editors are some of the brainiest men in the United States. When war was declared on Spain in 1898 Dr. House enlisted as chaplain in the 5th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry and while at the front in Cuba served as staff correspondent for the Boston "Post." Besides this he has had other newspaper experiences.

In his lectures here he has brought home Gospel truths to his hearers and while he does not conduct revival meetings in the accepted sense of the word, he brings about a revival of the real religious spirit in the hearts of his audience. He explains many things which were not clear to the layman and brings an optimistic spirit which breathes hope and success for all.

Following are the subjects, commencing with this evening's meetings:

- Friday, April 13.
- 8 p. m.—"Psychic Phenomena." Saturday, April 14.
- 8 p. m.—"The Power of the Will." Sunday, April 15.
- 10:45 a. m.—"The Psychology of Prayer."
- 3 p. m.—"The Psychology of the Boy and the Girl."
- 7:30 p. m.—"Life as a Masterpiece." Monday, April 16.
- 3 p. m.—"The Drama of the Human Face."
- 8 p. m.—"Tuning to the Infinite." Tuesday, April 17.
- 3 p. m.—"The Power of Concentration."
- 8 p. m.—"Spiritual vs. Mental Healing."
- Wednesday, April 18.
- 3 p. m.—"The Psychology of Dreams."
- 8 p. m.—"The Conscious Mind of God."
- Thursday, April 19.
- 3 p. m.—"The Subconscious Mind of God."
- Friday, April 20.
- 3 p. m.—"The Psychology of Temptation."
- 8 p. m.—"The Psychology of Love."

FRANK MASON TELLS OF LARGE CROP OF WHEAT

Former Resident of Downers Grove Visits Relatives Here from Montana.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mason of Hingham, Montana, are visiting here this week with the G. H. Bunge and J. D. McVean families. They are former residents of Downers Grove.

Several years ago they moved to Montana, taking up a claim of 320 acres near the town of Hingham, which is about 35 miles west of Havre, on the main line of the Great Northern. Last fall Mr. Mason sold this homestead after harvesting and selling his crop of wheat. He had a little more than 200 acres which ran about 35 bushels to the acre. He sold his entire crop at prices ranging from \$1.34 to \$2.04 a bushel, clearing a handsome profit on the season's work. Mr. and Mrs. Mason will leave for the west again next week and will go to Great Falls, where Mr. Mason has an interest in a large automobile business.

FIRE THREATENED LARGE BARN ON MOCHEL FARM

Blaze in Stack of Fodder Corn Seen by School Children Who Turn in Alarm.

A large barn, silo and other farm buildings on the Val Mochel farm, now occupied by his son William, south of town, were threatened with destruction by fire Tuesday afternoon.

Children attending the district school, just south of the house, saw a blaze in a large corn fodder stack near the barn and rang the school bell. In this and other ways the neighbors round about were notified of the fire and came in great numbers to assist.

Several times the large barn caught fire and the silo, which stood near it, but by the prompt assistance of the volunteer helpers the blazes were extinguished before doing much damage.

MRS. J. R. FOSTER RE-ELECTED HEAD OF WOMAN'S CLUB

The annual meeting of the Downers Grove Woman's Club was held on Wednesday, April 11, and the pleasant day was a fitting close to a most pleasant year. A bountiful cafeteria luncheon, which added greatly to the sociability of the day, was served at noon. The president, Mrs. Jonas R. Foster, gave a brief and informal talk on the club work during the past year, thanking the members for their co-operation and speaking particularly of the harmony which had made the year such a successful one. There were excellent reports from the chairmen of the art and literature, the home and education and the civic and philanthropy departments and interesting reports from the various officers and standing committees. The revisions committee had a very important report, while the program committee for 1917-18 gave promise of a splendid program for the coming year. Mrs. L. E. Jones, delegate to the Municipal Art League, told briefly of the work of the league and the benefits derived by delegates.

Mrs. J. F. McDonald, who is chairman of the Red Cross committee, reported that she had visited the Red Cross headquarters in Chicago and received information as to the work which might be done in Downers Grove. The committee will start work on garments next Thursday, the meeting to be held in Library Hall. All the women in Downers Grove and vicinity are urged to join in this work. Every one should help in some way and those who cannot work at Library Hall can probably do knitting at home. Later on a class in the making of surgical dressings will be formed.

The music of the afternoon was furnished by the club chorus, a new organization from which great things may be expected. A poem, written by Mrs. De Groot, one of the past presidents, for the twentieth birthday anniversary of the club but which came several days after the anniversary, was read by Miss Stewart. The election of delegates to the state and district federations closed the day's program.

The result of the election of officers for the year 1917-18 was as follows: President, Mrs. Jonas R. Foster; Vice-president, Mrs. A. H. Barnhart; Recording secretary, Mrs. A. B. Snow.

Corresponding secretary, Mrs. E. H. Huntington, Jr.

Treasurer, Mrs. Victor Peterson. Parliamentarian, Mrs. J. C. White.

Mrs. Jonas R. Foster entertained the members of the board of directors at luncheon last Monday, April 9.

The incoming chairmen of the different departments of the club wish to announce that they are about to reorganize their departments and will hold meetings in Library Hall for that purpose as follows:

- Art and literature department, on Wednesday afternoon, April 18, at 2:30 o'clock.
- Home and education department, on Friday afternoon, April 20, at 2:30 o'clock.
- Civic and philanthropy department, on Wednesday afternoon, April 25, at 2:30 o'clock.

Club members are urged to attend these meetings so that the work for next year may be discussed and organization completed.

"K. K. KLUB" ENJOYED HIKE.

The "K. K. Klub" enjoyed a moonlight hike to Hinedale last Saturday night. That is, a supposed-to-be moonlight hike, but the moon failed to appear as per schedule. Those who "hoofed" the distance were Katherine Butler, Mary Curtis, Elizabeth Shaffer, Catherine McGregor, Ruth and Virginia Waples and the chaperons, Mr. Walter Curtis and Mr. Ballard Waples. There is to be a hike every Friday night, weather permitting, starting Friday, April 13th. Go to it, kids! Every one invited from 11 years old to 100 years young. Meet at the depot at 7:30 if you want to join the "bunch."

Mrs. T. F. Kelley entertained guests from out of town on Monday.

Mrs. A. H. Barnhart was called to Kansas on Monday. Her mother was seriously injured by a fall.

LOCAL CITIZENS TO SHOW PATRIOTISM IN BIG MASS MEETING

Citizens of Downers Grove to Register Approval of Course of Administration and Congress.

ON ANNIVERSARY OF THE RIDE OF PAUL REVERE

Citizens of Downers Grove will be given an opportunity to register their approval of the action of Congress in the present emergency at a mass meeting called for Wednesday evening, April 18, the anniversary of the celebrated ride of Paul Revere, who carried the message of the approach of war to the colonists in the days of revolt against unjust oppression.

This should be an occasion when all the residents of the village and the surrounding country can get together regardless of divergent views which they may have held prior to the declaration of the existence of a state of war and show their love of their country by a hearty ratification of the words of the president and the resolution of Congress in the present crisis.

Less than that would show that we are unworthy of the name Americans—a name which is and should be of greater significance than any which could be borne standing as it does as the symbol of freedom, of justice, of right and as the refuge of the oppressed and downtrodden of every land.

There can be no greater demonstration of our devotion to the land of our birth or of our adoption than an instant rallying around the Stars and Stripes in this hour of the country's peril. For the peril, though perhaps now distant, is none the less real. We as a nation have entered the great, the horrible conflict which has devastated lands as fair as ours, which has cost untold suffering and of which the end is not yet in sight.

Speakers of national reputation have been engaged for the meeting, martial music has been provided and an automobile parade has been arranged. If the weather permits, the meeting will be held under the starry canopy; if inclement weather, advantage will be taken of the available halls. Due and timely notice will be given of the place of the meeting if held within a hall. If conditions permit the outdoor meeting, it will be held at the intersection of Main and Curtis streets.

A special invitation is given to all organizations desiring to appear in a body in the exercises to communicate at once with William H. Blodgett, village collector, stating the number of members of their organization for whom provision should be made.

All owners of automobiles are requested to join in the parade which will precede the meeting. The motor division will be under the supervision of J. W. Hughes. All those desiring to share in the parade are requested by the committee in charge to notify Mr. Hughes before Saturday night of their intention and to specify the number of passengers they will carry. It is desired that the members of Naper Post, Grand Army of the Republic, be accorded seats in the first division of automobiles, and car sweeps who can accommodate one or more of the boys of '61 are urgently requested to so inform Mr. Hughes.

The line of march for the automobile parade, which will start promptly at 7:15 p. m., is: Procession forms on East Curtis street, cars heading west. West on Curtis street to Forest avenue; north to Gilbert avenue; west on Gilbert avenue to Carpenter street; south on Carpenter street to Maple avenue; east on Maple avenue to Mackie place; north on Mackie place to Curtis street; west on Curtis street to Main street; north on Main street to Warren avenue; east on Warren avenue to Highland avenue; north on Highland avenue to Prairie avenue; west on Prairie avenue to Forest avenue; south on Forest avenue to Belmont street; west on Belmont street to Oakwoods boulevard; north on Oakwoods boulevard to Prairie avenue; east on Prairie avenue to Main street; south on Main street to Curtis street.

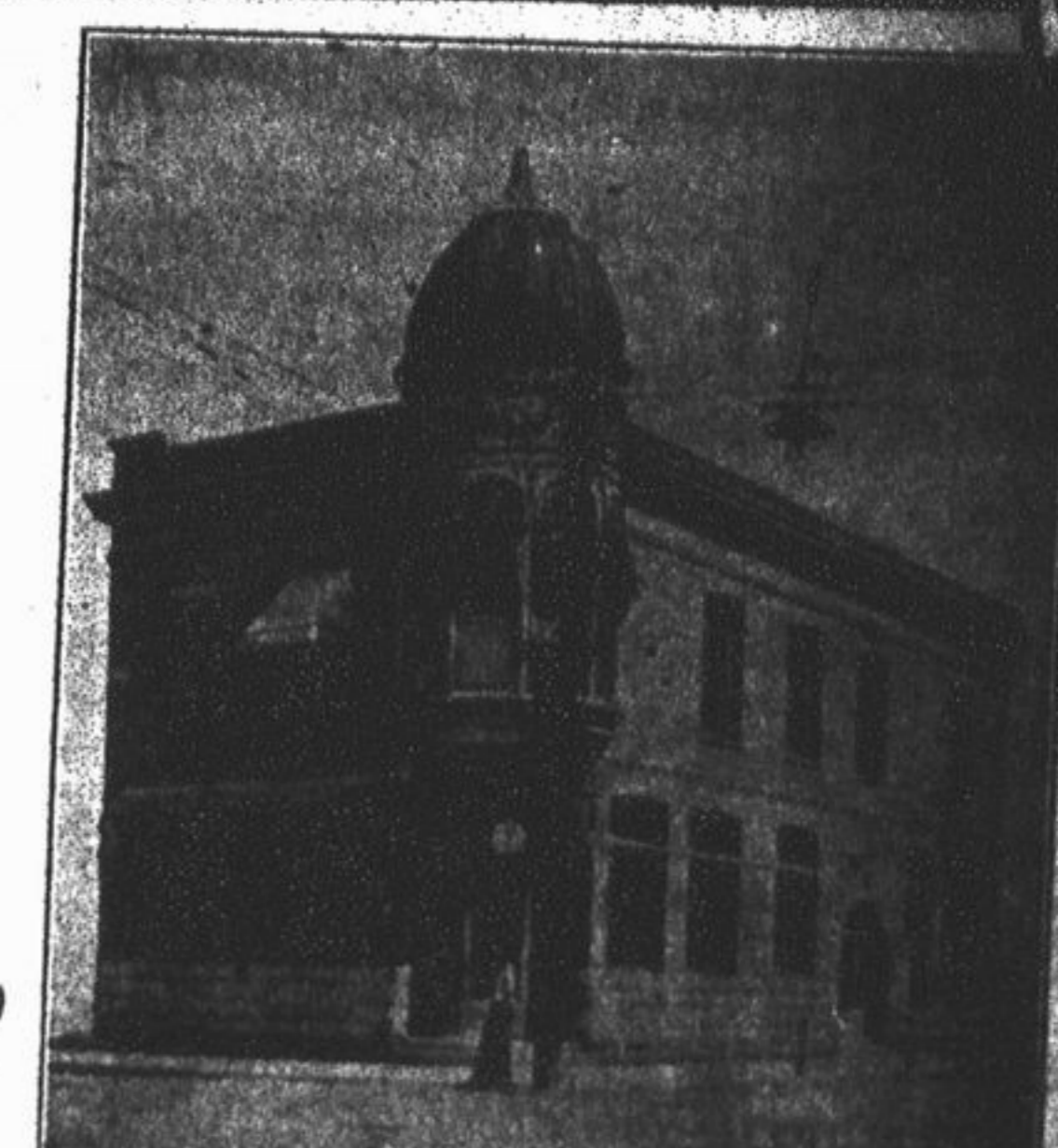
Parade will then park in Main and Curtis streets at the speakers' stand. It is requested that residences along the line of march be decorated with flags and that porches and windows be illuminated while the parade passes.

SUPERVISOR BLODGETT GIVES HISTORY OF WAR

Told of Captain Naper and His Volunteers in Fight with Black Hawk.

The Board of Supervisors have placed a beautiful bronze tablet in the Court House at Wheaton bearing the names of Captain Joseph Naper's company of mounted volunteer rangers. The company was organized at Fort Dearborn, May, 1832, and mustered into United States service and ranged constantly during the Indian troubles, mostly with the famous Chief Black Hawk, over the territory now comprising Cook, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, LaSalle and Will counties.

The tablet was placed alongside the Civil War memorial tablets already in the Court House, Friday, March 31st, and at the next meeting of the Board of Supervisors, C. B. Blodgett, our representative, gave a short history of this war.



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