

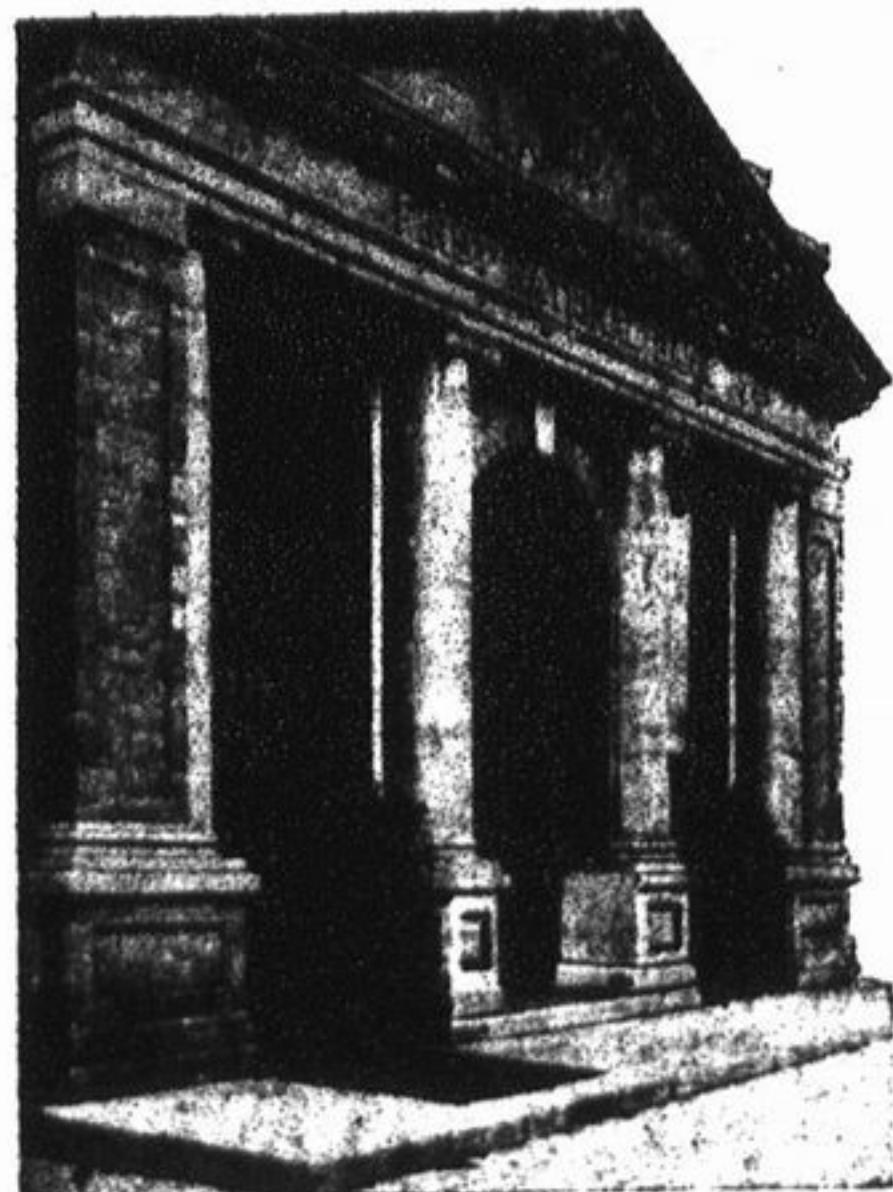
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SUPPORTING THE GOVERNMENT

This is the time for every citizen to support the United States Government, and many are doing so at considerable cost or sacrifice to themselves.

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MOTHERS' CLUB TO MEET MAY 15TH

The Mothers' Club will hold its last meeting of the year on Tuesday, May 15th, at 2:30. At this meeting the election of officers for the ensuing year will take place.

The following program will be given: Report from State Infantile Paralysis Conference of Ancona.

Some suggestions on fly extermination and how Macomb, Ill., became a flyless town.

Economics we could teach our children during war time.

Regulations regarding prohibition and camp followers.

Round table discussion will follow each of these topics.

Every mother in Downers Grove is invited to come and bring her work. Afternoon tea will be served.

MISS AGNES BEALES.

Miss Agnes Beales, age 20 years, died Wednesday morning, May 9. Funeral services will be held Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at St. Mary's Church, Burial at St. James' cemetery. She leaves to mourn her loss her father and mother, seven brothers and one sister, besides a host of friends.

DR. BUTLER WRITES FROM ENGLAND

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Butler of West Congress street have just received letters from their son, C. C. Butler, D. M. D., who is serving in the British Royal Army Medical Corps. Dr. Butler, who is a graduate of Tufts Dental College, Boston, was practicing in that city at the outbreak of the war. He entered the British service some time ago and accompanied the troops on the Egyptian campaign and at the Dardanelles. Later he was transferred to an English hospital in France, but is now stationed at the home base at Aldershot, England.

He writes: "Most of my work is making special appliances and splints for jaw and nose cases. Some of the patients are in a shocking condition—seem almost hopeless at first, so much loss of tissue. In a great many cases death would be a blessing."

Dr. Butler wishes to be transferred to the first U. S. medical unit which will leave here for the front.

TO TALK ABOUT KOREANS.

Miss McCreary of Chicago Heights will give a Korean reading in the Methodist Church Thursday, May 17. Miss McCreary dresses in Korean costume and is a splendid speaker. Do not miss this opportunity of hearing about the Koreans. No admission, but an offering will be taken.

VILLAGE TO HAVE HEADQUARTERS AT OLD PHONE OFFICE

Two-Year Lease Signed—Appointments Made at Meeting Monday Night.

Village headquarters will be at the old telephone office next to the creek starting with June 1. A lease has been signed between the Village and Mr. Fredenhagen, to run two years.

Work was started Monday morning to get the building in shape and is now progressing swiftly. Here the weekly meetings of the commissioners will be held and all Village business transacted. The office of the collector and treasurer will also be under the one roof and records will be centralized and not scattered all over as at present.

The hiring of this building shows up in a great way the glaring need of a village hall proper in Downers Grove. At the regular meeting of the commissioners Monday night the appointments were made by the various department heads and are as follows:

Electrician, Harry A. Gardiner. This office is a combination of the collector's, clerk's and electrician's jobs, all combined under the one title.

A. B. Snow was re-appointed as Village Attorney.

Day Policeman, Martin White. Night Policeman, John Stockenberry.

Treasurer, C. F. Davis, re-appointed.

Chief of Fire Dept., Henry C. Dick, re-appointed.

Assistant Chief, George Binder, re-appointed.

Under the commission form of government the members of the Library Board are appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the commissioners, while under Village form they were elected directly by a vote of the people.

The following were appointed to this board by Mayor Kidwell Monday night, and the appointments confirmed: L. B. Wells, F. C. Lancaster, W. B. Towley, Stanley J. Brown, T. H. Slusser, and Mrs. Nelson Ferron.

The wheel tax ordinance which was passed by the old board just before they adjourned, since die, is now in full effect and it is expected that the money for this extra tax will be rolling in very soon. It taxes all horse drawn and motor propelled vehicles in Downers Grove from \$2.00 to \$15.00 per year.

The new form of government is gradually being shaken into shape. There is an enormous amount of work to be done in changing the form and the mayor and commissioners are working hard to get things running smoothly in short order.

LOCAL BOWLERS "IN THE MONEY."

Counted 2,667 in State Tournament at Randolph Alleys Sunday.

The All-Star bowling team shot into the money in the State bowling tournament at the Randolph alleys in Chicago last Sunday, getting a count of 2,667.

They started in great style, their first game total being 854. With this start a 2,800 total was easily possible, but luck was against them.

Those who represented the Grove were Gerwig, Bunnings, Stumps, Mrkivicka and Wells.

The five-man event was the only one in which they are in the money.

Neither of them could get going in the doubles or singles. Their total in the fives, however, may bring them a special prize of \$10, the amount hung up for high total outside of Cook county teams. Sunday they were leading this division.

FIRST NATIONAL GIVING AWAY INTERESTING BOOKLETS

The First National Bank has had a small pamphlet printed telling of the work of the Federal Reserve Bank. It is entitled "How Does it Benefit Me?" and is free for the asking.

Most folks know that there is in daily operation in the United States a plan known as the Federal Reserve Bank plan, but as to the way in which it works, how it prevents panics, keeps up the credit of this nation and makes our monetary system more elastic, they are totally in the dark. This booklet was printed with the idea in view of enlightening the rank and file of the people. It is written in a clear way and in language understandable by anyone.

A postal card or a call at the bank will bring this explanation of a great banking system to your desk, then read it. It's worth while.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

Dr. W. W. Goutley wishes to announce that he has rented an office in the Frankensfield block where he can be found during office hours commencing Monday, May 14. The hours will be 8 to 9 o'clock a. m.; 1 to 2 p. m., and 7 to 8 o'clock p. m. Sundays, 10 to 12 o'clock a. m.

REFUGEES ARRIVE HERE FROM CUBA

Driven From Fruit Plantation Home by Revolutionists.

Mrs. Beattie Heal and son, Clarence, fourteen years old, arrived at the Heal home here Monday night. They are from Paus Estancia, Cuba, and were forced to leave their home there on account of the revolution which took place some weeks ago and is not yet settled.

Mr. Heal's brother is the owner of a fine 60-acre fruit plantation about thirty miles from San Diego. When the trouble broke out his orchards were in the pink of condition and he had a great deal of fruit packed for shipment. The revolutionists stole his horses and destroyed the fruit.

The family was forced to flee to San Diego to escape with their lives and the entire way almost was mud as deep as their knees. Mrs. Heal rode an aged mule but the rest of the party were forced to walk.

Mr. Heal and his two older sons have remained in Cuba, where they are trying to bring their home back to a semblance of its former state.

K. C.'S ATTEND MASS HERE.

Members of Nazareth Council at St. Joseph's Church.

Seventy-eight members of Nazareth Council, Knights of Columbus, attended the 9:30 o'clock Mass at St. Joseph's church in a body last Sunday morning and received Holy Communion. After Mass they marched to the church hall, where a splendid spread awaited them. The visitors were surprised to find, instead of an ordinary breakfast, a grand banquet.

But then that part of the program was left to the ladies of the parish, that is all that need be said. Wit and humor, mingled with real good fellowship, prevailed during the entire forenoon.

L. F. Desmond, Grand Knight, acted as toastmaster. After-noon oratory flowed from such silver-tongued orators as H. J. Buckley, B. W. Conlin, A. J. Crowley and John Hageman. Dr. Goodwin, the pastor, also addressed the assemblage. Mr. George Denny was master of ceremonies. Mr. Denny performed his duties in a most creditable manner.

RECENT ENLISTMENTS.

More Downers Grove Boys Are Joining the Colors.

Every day brings news of some one of the local "boys" either joining some branch of the service or contemplating doing so.

Richard Hawkins has signed with the First Cavalry. Romano Lacey, D. G. H. S., '18 football star, has entered the navy and is training at Newport, N. J. Norman Anderson has joined Base Hospital Unit No. 12 and expects to leave for France soon; Felix Pignotta is a member of the Coast Artillery; R. Fairchild, who worked at the light plant, joined the U. S. Engineers and has been sent to Jefferson Barracks, Mo., for training; Chester Hall, also D. G. H. S., '16, is one of the Battery D boys.

Robert McElroy, who has joined the navy, writes to his mother that he, with Rudolph Moebel, is now at the Receiving Ship Station, South Boston, Mass., 3d Div. and 4th sec. This is the address of these boys, and we know by experience that a letter from home looks fine. They are waiting now to be assigned to some ship.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY.

The C. C. Club was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Eickhorst Saturday evening, May 5, it being the wedding anniversaries of Mr. and Mrs. Eickhorst and Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Johnson.

Five hundred was played, Mrs. John Bryan and Mr. Eickhorst winning first prizes, Agnes Johnson and Mr. John Bryan consolation and Irene Bryan and Mr. Johnson the booby prizes. Refreshments were served, during which Mr. John Bryan presided as toastmaster and in behalf of the club heartily wished both couples many more such anniversaries.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

A number of friends of Miss Gladys Whitney surprised her at her home Saturday evening, the occasion being her sixteenth birthday. A very enjoyable evening was spent by the girls.

A taffy pull was one of the pastimes of the evening and proved to be a very pleasant, sweet and sticky pastime. The girls were chaperoned by Miss Marion Towner. Those present were the Misses Elizabeth and Martha Shaffer, Viola Neilson, Harriet Putnam, Esther Jones, Charlotte Hoffert, Thelma Roe, Anita Alderson, Marion Holmes, Vivian Woods and Catherine Fraher.

we must plant.

Perhaps the busiest persons in the community are the workers for the Red Cross, who meet every Wednesday at Library Hall to make various comforts for soldier and sailor boys. The knitting class, under the tutelage of Mrs. Frank Kaiser, gained several recruits Wednesday. Particulars on how to aid directly in the work for the Red Cross will be gladly furnished by Mrs. J. P. MacDonald, chairman of the department of workers for the Red Cross.

In making your contribution to the league, remember that if you desire to devote all or a part of your gift to the Red Cross work, specify your wish and your donation will go directly to that department.

"CATECHISM" OF THE COMMUNITY WELFARE LEAGUE

What is this Organization? What are its Aims? Why? Can I Help it Along?

Much interest is being taken throughout the village in the Community Welfare League, the organization which is seeking to give fullest expression to the desire of the people to be of real service in the present national crisis.

Last Tuesday night a meeting of the conservation department was held and plans for the agricultural program were discussed.

The farm committee reported visiting the Farmers' Alliance at Belmont and discussing methods of aiding in obtaining experienced men for the farms adjacent to the village.

The land committee of the conservation department reported that negotiations for a ten-acre tract suitable for potato raising were under way and the enrollment committee reported that the campaign for members of Uncle Sam's hoe brigade was well advanced.

Collection of funds has begun and the finance committee reported that many generous responses had been made to the appeal, but that many in the village were not fully informed as to the aims of the Community Welfare League. It was determined that a short statement of the nature of the work undertaken by the league should be prepared and distributed, that all interested might be fully advised of the necessity for concerted action.

The statement, in the form of a series of questions and answers, follows:

What is the Community Welfare League of Downers Grove?

An organization of residents of the community who desire to help their country.

How does it help?

It aims to unite and co-ordinate all the activities of its members for the common cause, Our Country, that better results may be obtained in the gardens and fields; that systematic aid may reach the Red Cross for wounded and ill, the Y. M. C. A. for the lads in camp and afloat, and that those from whom soldier and sailor boys have gone may receive help when needed.

How will it best accomplish its results?

By enlisting the support of every man, woman and child in the community to aid with money, service or supplies.

What are its initiation fees and its annual dues?

Its initiation, fee is a loyal heart and a desire to help. Its dues are whatever each one will give of money or of service, but mostly the co-operation of a joint endeavor.

Are dollars and cents the measure of membership?

No. Love of country translated into the offering, whether it be large or small, is the only measure of membership.

What of the community garden?

A ten-acre tract, suitable to grow potatoes, is being sought. This is to be cultivated by community volunteers.

What will the volunteers be called? Uncle Sam's Hoe-Brigade.

How will the crop be disposed of? At cost to those of the community who can afford to buy; by gift to those who need it.

How can I help the cause? By joining the league and helping the community to do its part.

What shall I do first? Pledge a definite amount for the work, payable monthly or weekly, in addition to what service I can promise.

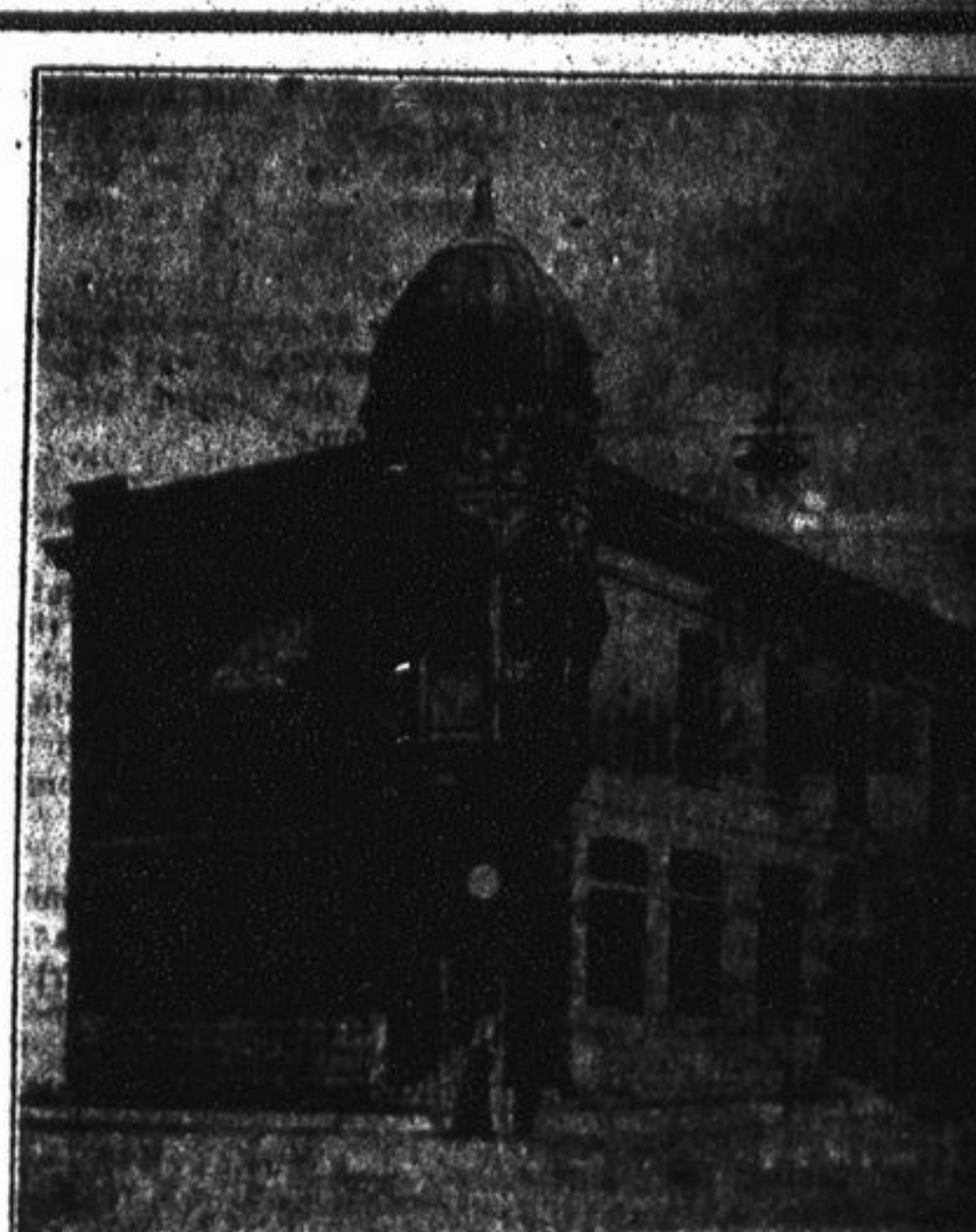
There was some discussion of the advisability of arranging permanent headquarters for the league in a convenient locality.

Owners of vacant lots who are willing that the tracts be used for garden purposes are urged to communicate with W. H. Blodgett, chairman of the land committee, and applications should be made to him for lots to work.

Prospective members of Uncle Sam's Hoe Brigade are asked to communicate their willingness to work to T. M. Campbell, chairman of the enrollment committee of the conservation department.

The finance committee placed \$5,000 as the minimum for Downers Grove's share in the work. The need of funds for the Red Cross is pressing and there is immediate need for money to be spent in Y. M. C. A. work at the training and mobilization camps to counteract the evil influences which may await the youth of the land. The Y. M. C. A. halls and tents demonstrated their worth in the Mexican campaign when their shelters afforded many of the guardsmen the only opportunity they had for a clean, wholesome place where they might read, write, chat and sing or relax from the fatigue of drill or guard duty.

Another source of expense will be the community farm. Potatoes are scarce and high, and if we would raise



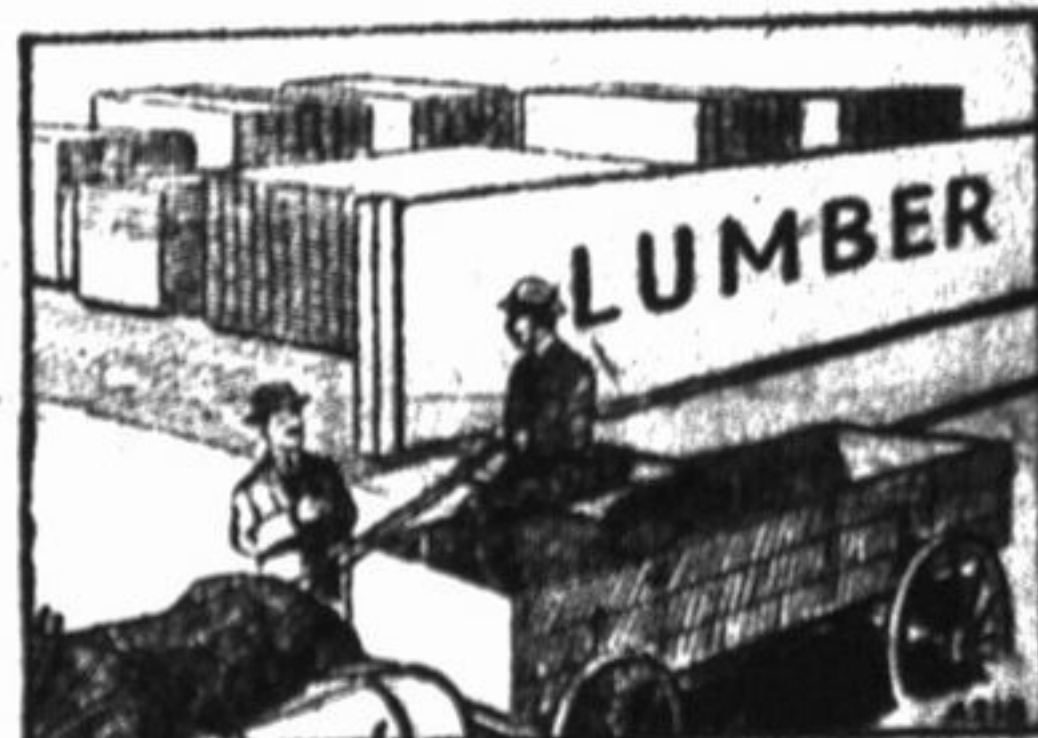
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