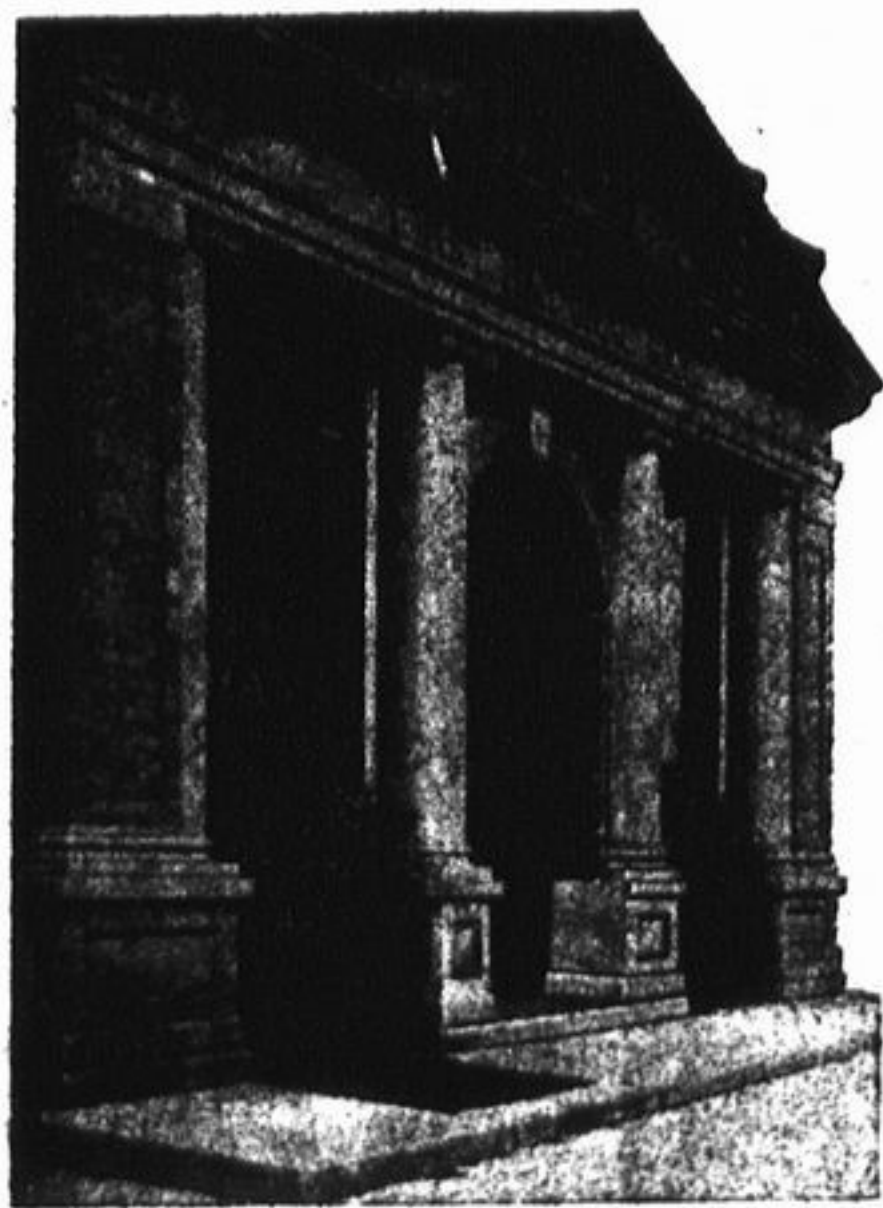


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TWENTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

The twentieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. V. Tholin was a family reunion surprise.

Members of the family came by automobile from Paxon, Chicago, Hinsdale, Irving Park, Highland Park, and Highwood. They numbered about fifty.

Mr. and Mrs. Tholin were presented with a beautiful china dinner set and a large bouquet of pink and white carnations as a memorial of the occasion.

A splendid dinner was served to all and in the evening a cafeteria supper.

The surprisers departed at a late hour after showering many good wishes on Mr. and Mrs. Tholin.

NOTICE

The regular meeting of the Downers Grove Business Men's Association will be held in the future on the first Friday of each month. Members will please take notice.

A FLY TRAP FOR EVERY HOME

Also for the "Butcher, the Baker and the Candlestick Maker"—A Fly Trap for Everyone

Trapping the fly is one of the best means of fly reduction, catch the fly before it enters the home. If you haven't time to make a fly trap ask one of the boy scouts to do it for you. They have been making things in the manual training department and will be glad of a chance to show their skill and make some pocket money...

It is also important to destroy the breeding places! Ninety per cent of the fly breed in horse manure. This can be treated daily with powdered borax.

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'17 HIGH SCHOOL CLASS RECEIVED THEIR DIPLOMAS

Exceptional Youths Entertained at Commencement Friday

The 1917 class of the Downers Grove High School received their diplomas at the Methodist Church last Friday night.

Twenty-two "exceptional" students, eleven girls and eleven boys, made up the seniors. The "exceptional" is their own word in describing themselves and was emphasized very strongly at their class night exercises, last week.

As the opening bars of "Athalia" played by Miss Marion Lower rang out in the church last Friday night, the students started the march down the center aisle. Their way led under six arches, decorated with white and green ribbons, the class colors, and a profusion of flowers. In single file, led by "Jack" Carpenter, they marched across the platform and to seats in the choir loft.

As an opening number to the evening's exercises, the entire gathering united in singing America, after which Rev. Ira M. Gray, of the Congregational church gave the invocation.

Helen M. Mahoney as Salutatorian of the class made the welcoming address and by her manner and words, one knew the welcome was genuine.

Margaret R. Eulette, who has been the pianist for the high school during her student days here, then favored with a beautiful "Rhapsody" by Brahms.

"The Badge of Service," an oration prepared by Ross W. Rogers for the County debate, was given by him. It was well prepared and delivered and told of the glories of labor.

Charlotte A. Drees, class Valedictorian, gave an oration entitled "The Melting Pot" immediately after which her valedictory address in which she wished her class-mates good-bye, and for them a good-bye to school days here.

The class song, the words of which were written by Lucile Bush, was then sung by the graduates.

In a few remarks before presenting the diplomas, J. R. Shaffer, President of the Board of Education, said "the two greatest events in the world up to the present time were, the birth of Jesus Christ and the birth of the American Republic!" He admonished the class to ever keep God in their hearts, no matter what path of life their footsteps tread.

The diplomas of the boys who have enlisted in the National Guard were tied with red, white and blue ribbons and the others with the class colors. Five of the graduates, Jack Carpenter, Owen Griffiths, Clifford Davenport, Hugh Brown and Max Butler, are liable to be called to the colors at any time.

As a closing number to the exceedingly excellent and entertaining program the high school chorus sang "By Babylon's Wave." This is the song chosen by them to be sung at the annual musical and oratorical contest, which was called off this year because so many of the students throughout the County have enlisted. Their rendition of the beautiful vocal selection showed the training of Claire Zollinger Puffer, who has so ably led the music departments of the local schools for the past five years.

Rev. James F. Jenness, pastor of the Methodist Church, pronounced the benediction.

The decorations were a gift of the Junior class to their Seniors, and were the added touch to a fine evening.

- Following are the graduates:
- Lucile Bush
 - Helen M. Mahoney
 - Julia M. Twohey
 - Margaret R. Eulette
 - Bertha V. Nelson
 - Charlotte A. Drees
 - Mildred S. Potter
 - Raymond S. Schultz
 - Owen H. Griffiths
 - Ross W. Rogers
 - Max C. Butler
 - Hans C. Pahl
 - Fred K. Howe
 - Carl F. Lower
 - Lucile E. Westblade
 - Bernice F. Binder
 - Ruth H. DeWitt
 - M. Fabiola Reidy
 - Charles V. Carpenter
 - Hugh O. Brown
 - Clifford W. Davenport
 - Burr S. Eichelman

Mrs. Alfred Bartells, formerly of Downers Grove is very ill at the home of her daughter in Chicago. The physician in charge says her case is a complication of diseases.

RAIN HALTS THE COMMUNITY PARADE

Open Air Exercises Abandoned Because of Bad Weather

Plans for the community parade and mass meeting in recognition of the volunteers from the village were abandoned last Tuesday evening because of the inclement weather.

Preparations had been made for a parade to be headed by the volunteers in uniform, followed by the boy scouts, campfire girls, the workers for the Red Cross and the Hoe Brigade, the whole procession to be reviewed by the members of Napier Post, Grand Army of the Republic.

In addition to spoiling the parade and the mass meeting which was to follow, the rain soaked the community potato field south of the village and necessitated delay in planting the twenty bushels of potatoes which were to have been put in the ground Wednesday. Fifteen members of the Hoe Brigade have volunteered to plant the potatoes and the work will be done this week if the weather permits. Most of the potatoes which are to be planted on shares have been distributed and are now sprouting.

The workers for the Red Cross resumed their weekly meetings last Wednesday at Library Hall. The knitting class under the leadership of Mrs. Frank Kesler, increased in numbers and a creditable showing was made by the members. Plans for further activities in this department are being perfected by Mrs. J. P. MacDonald, chairman, and the advisory board.

When weather conditions are more settled the mass meeting and parade will be held.

The finance committee of the Community League reported this week funds are needed to pay for the potatoes which have been bought. The bill for agricultural work and seed aggregates close to \$300 and nearly half that amount has been paid to the treasurer, John L. Remmon. The separate funds for the workers for the Red Cross and for the Girl V. M. G. also need attention.

No large amount is needed or expected from any individual but all who are interested in the movement to have Downers Grove help in conserving and increasing the food supply; in aiding the making of surgical supplies and comfort bags for the army and navy, and in providing better camp surroundings for the training stations where our boys will soon be quartered, are urged to give something. The amount to be measured solely by the circumstances and inclination of the donor.

ARNO UHLHORN OFF FOR FRANCE

Left Thursday With Ambulance Corps for Work Behind Trenches

Arno Uhlhorn left Chicago Thursday with Ambulance Corps No. 3, en route for France and great work behind the trenches.

He enlisted several weeks ago with this corps, which is mostly composed of graduates and students of the Chicago University. The corps has a full quota of doctors, nurses, stretcher bearers and attendants.

They had orders to leave Wednesday but these were cancelled at the last moment by an order from the War Department.

The start was made sometime yesterday from Chicago. The exact time and road left over is not known as the department keeps all such moves a secret. The first destination is somewhere in the State of Pennsylvania and from there to a port on the Atlantic coast where the corps will board ship for England. The start is set for Saturday.

Arno was in his senior year at the school and has won many honors. He was business manager this year for "Cap and Gown" the annual publication of the college and was a member of the "Score," "Blackfriars," "Tigers Head" and "Three-quarters Clubs. He was also a member of the college band and orchestra.

The work which will engage him and the rest of the corps on their arrival behind the trenches is the greatest man can set for himself. Bringing in the wounded and giving them help while still on the field holds these young men high in the esteem of the rank and file of all armies.

While they are classed as non-combatants, the mortality rate in the corps is high. This is due in a measure to the chances taken to bring in a hospital case and to the fact that all roads leading to the trenches are shelled. The shelling is usually to

312 SUBJECT TO DRAFT REGISTER HERE TUESDAY

Most Claims for Exemption Based on Dependent Relatives

One of the historically great days in the history of the United States, "Registration Day," has come and gone.

It is estimated that the two local precincts scored 100 per cent in registering those of the men of the Village and surroundings, subject to the provisions of the draft law.

There was absolutely no trouble here, and the men without exception, listed themselves willingly. One great truth arising out of the day here, was the fact that all aliens and those having taken out their first papers were among the first to register.

Hardly a claim was made for exemption on any other ground than that of dependent relatives. Many with dependents, wrote nothing in the exemption blank, saying that if some provision was made to care for their wives and families, they would volunteer and not wait for the draft.

The total registration in the two local precincts was 312, divided 166 for the north side and 146 for the south. Old timers, talking at the polling places Tuesday, emphasized the fact that this was the first time any draft had been contemplated in DuPage County.

The total County register on Tuesday was 3441. The estimated population of the County as figured by the census bureau is 37,252. These figures figured that the number of draft age should be ten per cent of the population. If these figures are right and they run way low in certain sections of the country, DuPage County is in the forefront. Our registration was closer to the estimate than any County in the entire State.

Sheriff Hesterman, who had charge of the work here, reports that not a disturbance was reported on the big day. He also says that cards are still coming in my mail and that he is registering men in person who for some reason or other could not get to the polls on Tuesday. This will bring the grand County total up at least another hundred.

Another thing to be taken into account in the above figures is that over 200 in the County have already enlisted in some military organization and were not registered.

Following is the County summary:

- Total 3441
- Legislative and Judicial, 8
- Totally Disabled, 36
- Dependent Relatives Indicated, 1370
- Probable Exemptions, 312
- No Exemption Indicated, 1350
- African descent, dependents, 16
- African descent, none, 22
- Aliens, 274
- Alien Enemies, 53
- Those listed as "Alien Enemies" are men born in Germany, whether or not they have declared their intention of becoming citizens. If the two precincts here are an indication of the rest of the County, every man born in Germany and now living here, has taken out first papers.

DR. PUFFER CALLED FOR ACTIVE DUTY

Leaves Next Week for Active Duties as Physician at Ft. Riley, Kansas

First Lieutenant, Dr. M. L. Puffer, has been called by Commander Gorgas for active duty.

He is to report at Ft. Riley, Kas., by Saturday, June 16th. There is an officers reserve encampment there and the doctor will take a part of this training in line with his duties.

Dr. Puffer has seen active war service with the British troops in Africa at the time of the Boer war. He served two enlistments, the first with Prince George's Light Horse and the second as one of the Canadian Scouts. Besides this, he was on the Mexican border last year in his official capacity.

He is now busy straightening up his personal affairs here so as to leave next week. When once in service it is a hard matter to tell when the doctor will get back to Downers for a short visit before leaving for France with a contingent of American soldiers.

prevent the bringing up of men and supplies but shells cannot differentiate. The prayers and good wishes of the entire community go with Arno and Sherman Anderson, who is now in England on the same mission.



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