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## DAN AND REUB DIENER HOME FROM ALASKA

Tell of Many Unusual Sights in Our Farthest North Possession.

Dan and Reuben Diener returned last Friday night from Alaska where they have spent nearly a year and for their comparatively short stay have seen many of the most beautiful and wonderful sections of our farthest north possession.

The boys have been working at various trades in Seward, Cordova and other towns, some of which they knew nothing about. But as most of the other men in the various camps were the same, the boys "got away with it," as the saying goes.

Among one of the wonders of this great north country, which they saw, is the Miles glacier. This is one of the largest glaciers in the world and the stupendous thunders as the waters of the Copper river wash the foot of the ice and detach huge pieces is almost unbelievable. There is a continuous noise which reminds one of a battlefield, according to Dan and Reuben. There will be sharp short sounds and rattle of small arms and machine guns, the deeper boom of small artillery and the rumbling roar of the "42 centimeters" as tons of ice fall at once.

The boys left Cordova two weeks ago Tuesday by steamer through the inside passage for Seattle and from there came home by way of the U. P. and Northwestern.

Wednesday they drove to Wheaton with W. H. Blodgett to register under the draft law. Ataskan young men have not yet registered, but they expect that from July 15th to August 1st, will be the days set aside. It is necessary to have at least fifteen days there on account of the long distances and impossibility of spreading the news of the law in a short time.

## DOWNERS GROVE'S FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION

Forceful Words of Dr. E. B. Goodwin and Rev. J. F. Jenness Heartily Applauded

There was no great crowd at the open air meeting which was the Downers Grove celebration of the Fourth of July, the birthday of the nation, but those who were there were thrilled and inspired by the forceful words of the speakers who addressed them.

Then too they listened again to the great message of President Wilson, in which the justice of the entry of this country into the great war was outlined.

The meeting was held at Curtiss street and Forest Avenue, in front of the Library.

The president's message was read by W. B. Towsley and each word received attention.

Dr. E. B. Goodwin, of St. Joseph's church, spoke briefly emphasizing the necessity of a profound realization of the extent of the catastrophe which has engulfed the world. He pointed out that the war instead of showing that America is split and rent with divisions along old world racial lines is one country with one aim.

His plea that greater respect be shown the flag of our country and that men and boys salute its waving folds was greeted with hearty applause.

Rev. J. F. Jenness, of the Methodist-Episcopal church, drew a picture of better days to follow the close of the war, and praising the spirit which prompted the enlistment of volunteers for the fighting forces, declared that to be selected under the draft would give opportunity for equally valiant service and that rejection from the front line would still leave opportunity for equally necessary service behind the lines.

The report of the finance committee of the Community League was read showing that \$563 has been paid into the league treasury the items being: for the general fund, \$242.76; for the department of workers for the Red Cross, \$176.75 and for the Army Y. M. C. A. \$143.70.

The invocation was pronounced by the Rev. Mr. Smith, of Chicago. B. L. Kellogg and Rev. Ira M. Grey, of the Congregational church, led the singing.

The speakers were introduced by H. P. Jones, who presided.

### BAKER - PETERS

Miss Clara Peters, of Aurora, and Mr. Adolph Baker, of Downers Grove, were married Saturday evening, June 30, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Veronica Peters, by the Rev. C. J. Fricke of the Emmanuel Lutheran church.

They were attended by Miss Adelaide Kinner, an old friend of the bride and Mr. Charles Baker, brother of the groom. About 35 relatives and friends witnessed the ceremony, the ring service being used.

The bride wore a gown of salmon colored taffeta and carried red carnations. Her bridesmaid wore yellow chiffon over yellow silk and also carried carnations.

Immediately after the ceremony the wedding party and guests sat down to an elaborate wedding supper.

Those present from Downers Grove were: Mrs. Caroline Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Darnley, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Dickerson, Miss Adelaide Kinner, and Mr. Jacob Klein.

The sequel to the ceremony might be called "The Kidnapped Bridegroom." In an unguarded moment, six friends of "Buck," as he is fondly called by nearly all who know him, bound him with ropes and carried him, protesting but helpless, to a waiting automobile, the property of his uncle, J. Klein. The machine was headed east and the run to Downers Grove made in good time. Here the conspirators drove around and in "seeing Chicago style" pointed out all the beauties of the village that he was leaving.

Just as the 12:38, the last train, was leaving for Aurora, the machine drew up to the station and the official announcer called Mr. Baker's attention to the fact that that was his last train. After making a few more turns around town, the bridegroom's bonds were loosened and the return trip to Aurora was made.

Following a wedding trip to Denver, Mr. and Mrs. Baker will make their home with Mrs. Baker's mother at 267 South Spencer street.

## Neighborhood Club Gives Card Party For The Red Cross

Tidy Sum Netted With Auction and in Other Ways Such as Passing the Hat

The ladies of the Neighborhood Club, an organization which has had social prominence in the village for some years, gave a card party last Saturday evening at the Library parlors for the benefit of the Red Cross.

Sixteen tables were filled and a seventeenth bore great baskets of vegetables—home grown prizes—for the lucky holders of high scores in the well known game of 500.

The prize winners were escorted to the table by Miss Gertrude Downer and Miss Katherine Heckman, marshals of the evening, and selected the baskets most pleasing to them.

Martian music and old time songs enlivened the evening, and one of the prizes—a lemon—was auctioned off by Mrs. J. P. MacDonald, chairman of the department of workers for the Red Cross, after spirited bidding for two hundred and seventy five cents. The fortunate purchaser being Mr. Behrel.

Entrance fees, auction results and previous donations amounted to more than \$50 and the sum was raised to \$60 after persuasive passing of a Panama hat propelled by A. B. Snow and R. W. Bond.

## DRAFT RUMORS BRING TEARS

Rumors, which seemed to have a little foundation in fact, gained wide circulation around the village last evening that the drawing under the selective draft law had started in Washington. To back up the story there was a list of the first numbers which had been drawn.

The wide circulation given this hoax brought tears to many a feminine eye, as the thought of husband, son or brother soon leaving for the trenches was thus brought to the attention of wife, mother and sister.

Thinking men throughout the village for the rumor spread fast as all bad news does, tried to allay the fears of the women, but the idea had taken root in the minds of some men and in the divided opinion, the gentler sex did not know where to turn.

Of course, no numbers have been drawn in Washington. They can't be until the local exemption and district appeal boards have completed their work of separating the fit from the unfit and have reported their findings to Washington. This work is now getting a start.

Besides the numbers on the cards held by the men of draft age will be different from those drawn, as each card is numbered before the drawing commences. The numbers that will be drawn in Washington therefore, will be different from the card numbers. This is done so that no one will be able to shield a man liable to service.

## KITCHEN AND CHINA SHOWER

On Monday evening, Mrs. F. P. Drissler entertained at a kitchen and china shower for her cousin, Miss Gladys Timke, who is to be a July bride.

After two good guessing games had teased the minds of those present, came the untying of the many packages. The gifts, which were beautiful and practical, included hand painted china, aluminum ware, glass ware, kitchen utensils and other articles too numerous to mention.

Appropriate refreshments were served and the departing guests showered the bride-to-be with all good wishes and bright and happy prospects that life can give.

Those present were: Mesdames, Mrs. A. G. Michel, E. P. LeMott, M. White, W. R. Schultz, W. Timke, G. Binder, W. F. Heintz, C. R. Briggs, L. F. Gerwig, W. J. Staats, Mrs. Julia Briggs, Anna Heal, Lila Statton, Lucille Schultz, Jayne Griffiths, Blanche Vallance, Bernice Binder, Adelaide Walters, Nora Lusher.

## NO SLACKERS IN DuPAGE—SHERIFF

"Not a slacker has been arrested nor has there been a person reported as under suspicion in DuPage county," said Sheriff John Hesterman of DuPage county Saturday. "Every eligible registered," he said.

DuPage county also established a record on war draft registration day, with a total far in excess of the estimate. DuPage county furnished so many volunteers during the civil war that not a man in the county was drafted, the records show.

## HOE BRIGADE IN ACTION AT DAY-BREAK ON 4TH.

Weeds Fall Fast as Small Boys Salute Birthday of Our Nation

The early hours of last Wednesday, the Fourth of July, witnessed a vigorous attack on the weeds in the potato field of the Community League.

Twenty-two men, each armed with a hoe, invaded the field and finished the work which was begun the day before by a smaller number.

The instructions given by Charles Mochel, head of the farm committee of the Community League, to the helpers were brief. "Just get the weeds out," he said, "Never mind about anything else." This command was supplemented a little later by Henry Tank who was slightly disturbed by conversation in the immediate vicinity of his row. "Don't talk to the weeds—hoe 'em up," he said.

When the hoes were through the two acres of potatoes, the village contribution to the campaign of intensive production, were comparatively clean and ready for deeper stirring with a cultivator.

Those who attended the 5 a. m. hoeing bee were: Chas. Mochel, Prof. G. C. Butler, chairman of the conservation department of the Community League; W. H. James, A. P. Bordwell, E. C. Stanley, B. L. Kellogg, T. M. Campbell, H. E. Tank, G. L. Bush, W. H. Blodgett, W. H. Ray, L. B. Waples, J. W. Graves, George Chambers, E. H. Huntington, Jr., J. C. DeWitt, H. P. Jones, George Hoffert, Eugene Pfaff, Walter Staats, J. F. Remmers, and B. C. Downes.

Another volunteer force is to clean up the bean patch.

From the Chicago Evening "Post" of Tuesday, July 3rd.

"Milkweed, ragweed, knotweed and quack-grass, sworn enemies of the humble, but necessary, potato, fell by thousands today before the assault of a squad of the Downers Grove hoe brigade, under command of Charles Mochel, leader of the farm committee of the community league of the village.

Commander Mochel summoned his force as the sun rose, and before 5 a. m. Professor Butler, superintendent of schools and chairman of the conservation department, was on the job. Others in the skirmish line were Henry Tank, George Chambers, J. C. DeWitt, W. H. Blodgett, Guy L. Bush, J. W. Bolsby, E. C. Stanley and H. P. Jones. Mrs. H. E. Tank and son, Edwin, representing the commissary department, surprised the workers with hot coffee and sandwiches. Twenty-two first line trenches over a 150-yard sector surrendered.

## MRS. CONRAD PENNER

Mrs. Conrad Penner passed peacefully to the Great Beyond on Monday afternoon, July 2nd, after an illness lasting nearly two years, about 3 months ago she had a bad spell and her death although a shock, was not unexpected.

Funeral services were held at the Evangelical church Thursday at 2 p. m., conducted by Rev. G. P. Nuffer in English and Rev. Leo Schmitt in German. Interment was made in the West Side cemetery.

Barbara Kryenbuehl was born in Ibsheim, Alsace, January 19th, 1853. She came to this country in 1884 and married Conrad Penner in Elgin, September 15th, 1887, came to Downers Grove in 1894, where she resided until her death.

She leaves to mourn her loss her husband, two sons, John L. and Theophilus and three daughters, Lena, Martha and Esther, besides a host of friends.

Mrs. Penner was a member of the Evangelical church for 40 years.

## FRIENDS GATHERED ON THE FOURTH

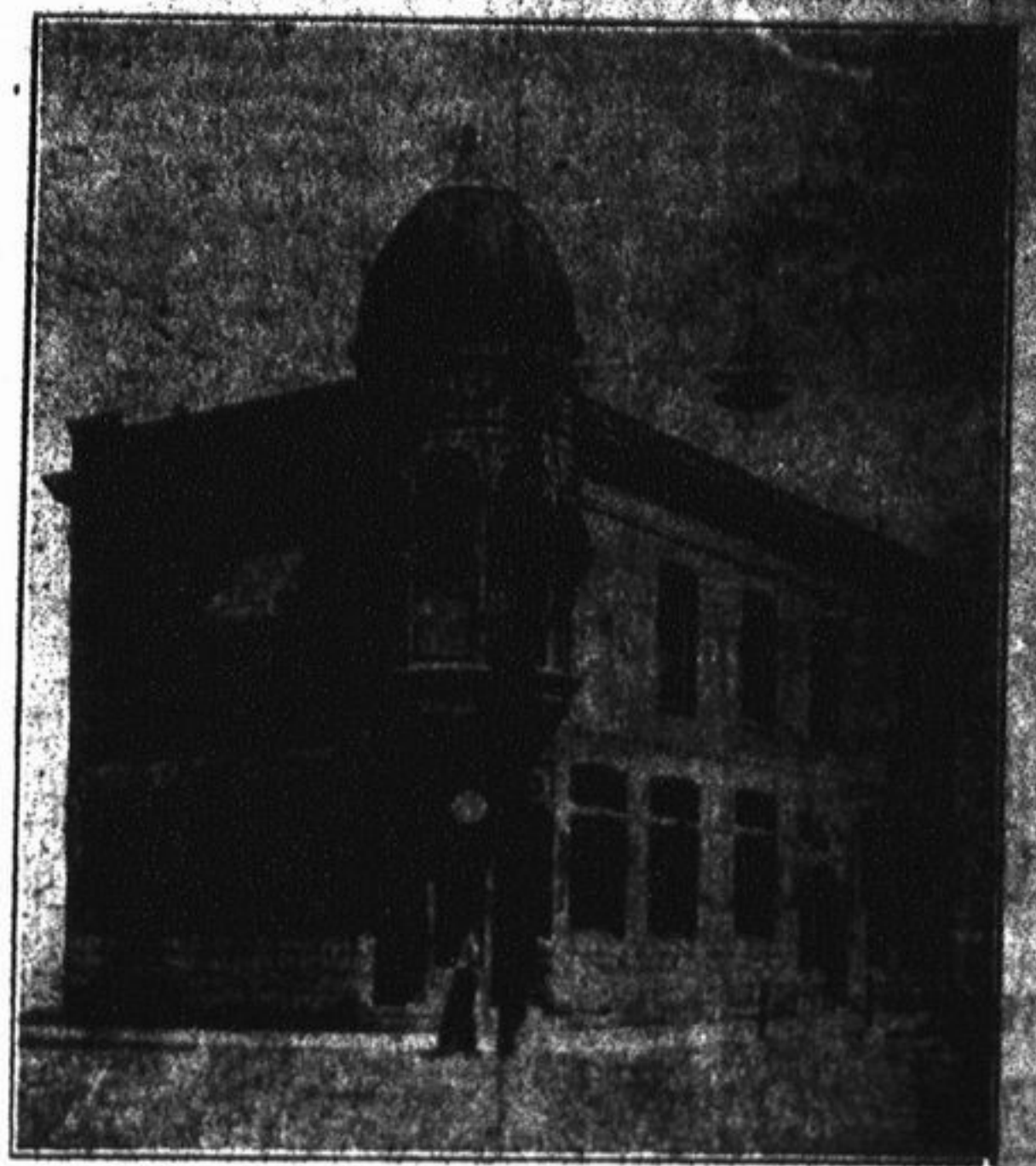
Home of Mr. and Mrs. Shumaker, on Highland Avenue Scene of Merry Time

The home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Shumaker on Highland Avenue was the scene of a delightful party on Independence Day.

Old time friends from Chicago, and neighbors were the guests and a merry party it was.

Shortly after noon the assembled folks gathered on the lawn and did full justice to the many good things there for the inner man. While a rest was called to recuperate from the "light lunch" T. E. Brooks happened to pass with his large truck. Out

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