

PROF. HOBEN TO TALK ON COMMUNITY RECREATION

Mass Meeting of Local People to Discuss Play Center at H. S. Auditorium Monday Night.

Professor Allen Hoben of the University of Chicago, Community Recreation Problems Expert, just back from several months in France, has promised to address the Mass Meeting of the people of Downers Grove to be held in the High School Auditorium on Monday evening, April 21, at 8:00 o'clock.

During the last two months a new movement has been gaining headway and favor among the citizens of Downers Grove. It is a movement which has originated because of the need for some good system of playground and recreation work.

Downers Grove during the three summer months, June, July and August, has no public park or playground where the children and young folks of the village can gather and play. Other towns along the "Q" and around us have such a public recreation ground but Downers Grove has none at all. We see our need and in this new movement are trying to supply what we ought to have, viz.—a combined playground and athletic field under the constant supervision of a competent and experienced playground and recreation director.

Careful inquiry has shown that such a field could be secured and equipped and a director paid to have it always under his care at a cost of less than \$1,000.00 and this to be subscribed and paid for by a population of well over 3,000, the per capita cost you see is very low for the good that each person could derive from such a recreation center.

You ask where we might have such a place. Some such place as the block southeast of the North Side School, where the High School stages foot ball games; or the open lots south of the High School.

The idea is to provide during the three summer months when there is no school, a place and the equipment for clean, carefully supervised and directed play; where parents can send their children to play, knowing that they are under skilled and watchful care, where they will be safe, where fights etc. cannot develop to any extent; where bad language and unfair play are eliminated.

The grounds, once provided by private subscriptions from all the citizens of our village, would be open to all alike and free of further charge.

Swings, slides, merry-go-rounds, see-saws, and such like apparatus for the children; tennis courts, indoor baseball grounds, croquet, etc. for the girls and boys at certain hours of the day; a regular base ball diamond or a couple of them for the young men of the town; volley ball, basketball, horseshoe, hurdles, high jump and pole vaulting outfits, etc. for men of more mature years as well as for the younger men. Such a great common play ground for all who would want to take some healthful exercise after the day's work in the city, it seems to us, is ideal and the thing we need. We can have it if we want it! Do we want it? Ask the young folks and wide awake parents of the village and we are sure you will get an affirmative answer. It will give the young folks always a good, helpful and interesting place to go to. It will interest old and young.

The Village School Board has no funds for this work this summer, as we all know. So we will just have to provide the funds ourselves, and hire some good, moral, capable and experienced man to come in and teach us how to carry on our play life. Playtimes are times when we become young in spirit and build up our health. We all need such relaxation. Our young people will find or make such times somewhere, we know. Let us give them good surroundings and helpful direction and we will all be the happier and feel the safer for it.

The seven churches of our village have had this matter under discussion and careful investigation. They have all endorsed this movement and ask the loyal support and cooperation of all the good people of Downers Grove, as they seek to carry thru this plan, with your help, and for us all. Can we count you in on this movement?

The central committee chosen by the representatives of the various churches to carry thru this community betterment task for us all, have finally succeeded in getting Prof. Hoben of the University of Chicago to come out and tell the people of Downers Grove what such a playground would do for us, and how we can get it started. He helped the people of Riverside to start just such a work as this; and he has helped in many other places. He can tell us straight, for he is an expert along this line.

Prof. Hoben has just come back from several months of Y. M. C. A. work in France among our soldiers. He is widely known in "Y" and church and community social and recreation work. It will cost you nothing to hear Prof. Hoben. You would be robbing yourself if you didn't hear him. He is a pleasant and interesting speaker. He is a live wire for sure, as all will tell you who have ever heard him and worked with him. So you will want to shift your list of dates if necessary and hear him. What he starts will be the talk of the town after he is gone!

Who? Prof. Allen Hoben, U. of C. When? 8 p. m., Monday, April 21. Where? High School Auditorium. What? A live wire address on Community Recreation.

SUPERVISORS ORGANIZED AT LAST MEETING

Proceedings of the Board of Supervisors of DuPage County, Illinois, at a special meeting held at the Court House in Wheaton, on Friday the 11th day of April, A. D. 1919, pursuant to the following call which was duly published in the Wheaton Illinoisian: Wheaton, Ill., Mar. 31st, 1919.

To A. A. Kuhn, County Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of DuPage County, Illinois: Dear Sir:

Your are respectfully requested to call the Board of Supervisors together in special session to convene at the Court House in Wheaton, on Friday the 11th day of April, A. D. 1919, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of organizing and appointing the various committees for the ensuing year and to transact such other business as may come before them.

Respectfully,
Wm. Hammerschmidt
N. W. Lies
A. W. Kohley
C. B. Blodgett
Z. B. Stearns

Meeting called to order by the clerk and on motion of Supervisor Hammerschmidt, Supervisor Lien was made temporary Chairman.

The credentials of the newly elected members were examined and read and being considered in due form, said newly elected members having qualified and filed their bonds as required by law, they were on motion of Supervisor Hammerschmidt declared elected and qualified members of the Board of Supervisors of DuPage County, Illinois.

On roll call all members answered to their respective names, and the full Board is as follows:

Addison—Carl E. Kirchhoff
Bloomington—N. W. Lies
Wayne—Z. B. Stearns
Winfield—M. A. Dooley
Milton—George Fix, Wm. J. Yackley, W. W. Stevens
York—Wm. Hammerschmidt, Chas. H. Biermann, Otto W. Balgeman
Downers Grove—George Boger, C. B. Blodgett, F. J. Littleford
Lisle—A. W. Kohley
Naperville—A. D. Miller

On motion of Supervisor Hammerschmidt the rules of the Board were suspended and Supervisor Boger was unanimously elected by acclamation as Chairman of the County Board for the ensuing year.

Minutes of the last preceding meeting read and declared approved.

The Chair named the following committees for the ensuing year and on motion of Supervisor Hammerschmidt was declared approved.

FINANCE—Wm. Hammerschmidt, Wm. J. Yackley, Carl E. Kirchhoff.
CLAIMS—Chas. H. Biermann, Otto W. Balgeman, W. W. Stevens.
FEES AND SALARIES—Wm. J. Yackley, Z. B. Stearns, Maurice Dooley.

COUNTY FARM—Z. B. Stearns, Wm. Hammerschmidt.
TUBERCULOSIS—A. D. Miller, F. J. Littleford, Maurice Dooley.

COURTHOUSE AND GROUNDS—C. B. Blodgett, George Fix, Charles H. Biermann.

JUDICIARY—F. J. Littleford, W. J. Yackley, C. B. Blodgett.

LICENSE—N. W. Lies, Carl E. Kirchhoff, Otto W. Balgeman.

COUNCIL—W. W. Stevens, Maurice Dooley, Charles H. Biermann.

SUPPLIES—Adam Kohley, Chas. H. Biermann, A. D. Miller.

STATE AID ROADS—George Fix, N. W. Lies, Wm. Hammerschmidt.

APPOINTMENTS—Carl E. Kirchhoff, Wm. J. Yackley, Maurice Dooley.

RULES—Otto W. Balgeman, A. D. Miller, F. J. Littleford.

EDUCATION—Maurice Dooley, C. E. Kirchhoff, A. W. Kohley.

On motion of Supervisor Fix, the following resolution of the Western United Gas & Electric Company was approved:

WHEREAS, The Western United Gas & Electric Company has petitioned this Board for the right and authority to place poles and wires for the conveyance of electric current in and along the highway hereinafter described, and

that said petition should be granted, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that full right, power and authority are hereby given and granted unto the said Western United Gas & Electric Company, an Illinois Corporation, to place in, upon and along said highway poles and wires for the transmission of electricity, for lighting and power, and such other purposes as electricity is or may be used for and to do all necessary excavation work for the placing of same and the making of repairs thereto for a period of twenty (20) years and no longer.

Said highway is known as the Naperville-Wheaton Road and the portion thereof in which said poles and wires are to be located is described as follows:

Beginning where said Naperville-Wheaton Road is intersected by the highway commonly known as the Butterfield Road and extending therefrom in said Naperville-Wheaton Road, northerly to the corporate limits of the City of Wheaton.

Said poles are to be placed as near as may be along the outside line of said highway, and so as not to interfere with public travel along said highway, and the surface of the ground shall be restored to its former condition in so far as possible.

This grant is made upon the express condition that said grantee will pay all damages to the owners of property abutting upon said road which they may sustain by reason of location or placing of said poles and wires.

Said damage to be ascertained and paid in the manner provided by law for the exercise of the right of eminent domain.

On motion of Supervisor Fix, the Board took a recess to 1.30 p. m. On re-convening for the afternoon session, the following report of Committee on Fees and Salaries was on motion of Supervisor Lies declared approved:

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Board of Supervisors: Your committee on Fees and Salaries would beg leave to report that they have examined all claims presented before them and recommend the payment of the following, and that the Clerk be directed to issue orders for the several amounts to the several claimants, to-wit:

Jessie Helen Goulis, Clerical work, \$12.00; Wm. DeWolf, Deputy fees, 20.50; Lewis Ellsworth, Fees for recording Soldiers discharges, 20.25; Dr. J. M. Maury, Salary as County Physician, 1 year, 260.00; W. H. Johnson, Justice fees 4.25.

Respectfully submitted,
William J. Yackley, Chairman.
The following report of Committee on Claims was on motion of Supervisor Kohley declared approved:

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Board of Supervisors: Your Committee on Claims would beg leave to report that they have examined all claims presented before them, and recommend the payment of the following, and that the clerk be directed to issue orders for the several amounts to the several claimants, to-wit:

Dr. E. Field Worsley, Professional services \$29.00; L. Klein, Provisions for paupers 1.63; J. W. Nash, Groceries for paupers 7.88; Mertz & Mochel, Coal for paupers 2.50; Otis Elevator Co., Oil 1.55; Lederman & Kuhn, Mason work on boilers 42.45; J. Millard Maury, Professional services 16.00; Chicago Fresh Air Hospital, Care of T. B. Patients 302.81; A. L. Kraemer Co., Typewriter ribbons 4.50; Chicago Telephone Co., Rent and tolls 37.20; A. D. Miller, Committee work and expenses 7.50; A. D. Miller, Classes for T. B. Patient 1.00; Chares W. Hadley, Telephone tolls 11.00; H. C. Nelson, Stationary 3.00; C. B. Bowman, Postage and express 40.71; Edwards Sanatorium, Care of T. B. Patients 280.00; E. L. Dickerson, Contract for painting 180.00; Mrs. John Book, Laundry 3.51; Merrill Printing Co., Printing tax receipts 77.90; John H. Kamp, Chairs 59.50; Germa Mfg. Co., Disinfectant 41.44; P. F4 Pettibone & Co., Supplies 8.15; W. J. Fox, Drying 2.98; Merrill Printing Co., Tax Receipts 68.60; H. L. Durant, Printing 90.85; Wm. J. Yackley, Committee work and expenses 3.50; George Fix, 6.00, Wm. Hammerschmidt, 4.20.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles H. Biermann, Chairman.
On motion of Supervisor Fix, the following Final Resolution of the County Board, on State Aid Roads was declared approved and adopted:

FINAL RESOLUTION OF COUNTY BOARD

RESOLVED, By the County Board of DuPage County, that the section of public highway described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the public highway designated as proposed State Aid Road Route No. 1 said point being two feet west of the west rail of the A. E. & C. R. R. Crossing at the west city limits of Wheaton and extending thence along said Route in a westerly direction for a distance of 12,400 feet more or less of which 12,400 feet are to be improved, to be known as Section G, as initiated by the preliminary resolution of this

Board, passed September 11, 1917, be improved as a State Aid Road in accordance with the plans and specifications as prepared by the Chief Highway Engineer, and that there has been appropriated from funds in the hands of the County Treasurer, the sum of Fifty-eight thousand, two hundred and twenty-nine and no/100 Dollars (\$58,229.00) of which Eleven thousand, twenty-one and no/100 Dollars (\$11,021.00) is to meet the allotment for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1918 and Forty-seven thousand, two hundred eight and no/100 Dollars (\$47,208.00) is an additional appropriation by the county, or so much thereof as may be necessary to defray the County's portion of the cost of said improvement; and the County Clerk is hereby directed to transmit to the Department of Public Works and Buildings, Division of Highways, a certified copy of this resolution, which shall constitute final notice.

This action of the County Board being in accordance with sections 22 and 24 of Article IV of "An Act to Revise the Law in Relation to Road and Bridges," approved June 27, 1913 and all amendments thereto.

Further resolved, that upon receipt of approved estimate by the Department of Public Works and Buildings the County Clerk be authorized to draw orders on the County Treasurer payable to contractor in payment for the County's portion of said improvement.

On motion of Supervisor Kohley, the Board adjourned to May 8th, 1919 at 10 o'clock A. M.
A. A. Kuhn, Clerk

HOLY NAME SOCIETY TO MEET ON SUNDAY, APRIL 27

The many Catholic farmers in counties adjoining Cook County, will be interested to learn that a plan will be submitted at the next Big Brother meeting of the Archdiocesan Union of the Holy Name Society of Chicago for organizing a subunion in said counties that will have for its purpose the placing of boys on farms who have been ordered to farms by the courts.

With farm help as scarce as it is at this time, this will be a boon for the farmer and a help for the boys. These boys are not criminals but are in court as a result of their high spirits. On farms with plenty of healthy work they will grow into better men. The meeting will take place on Sunday, April 27th at 2:30 p. m. in Holy Angels Hall, Oakwood Blvd. and Vincennes Avenue. All Catholic men interested, are invited to attend the meeting.

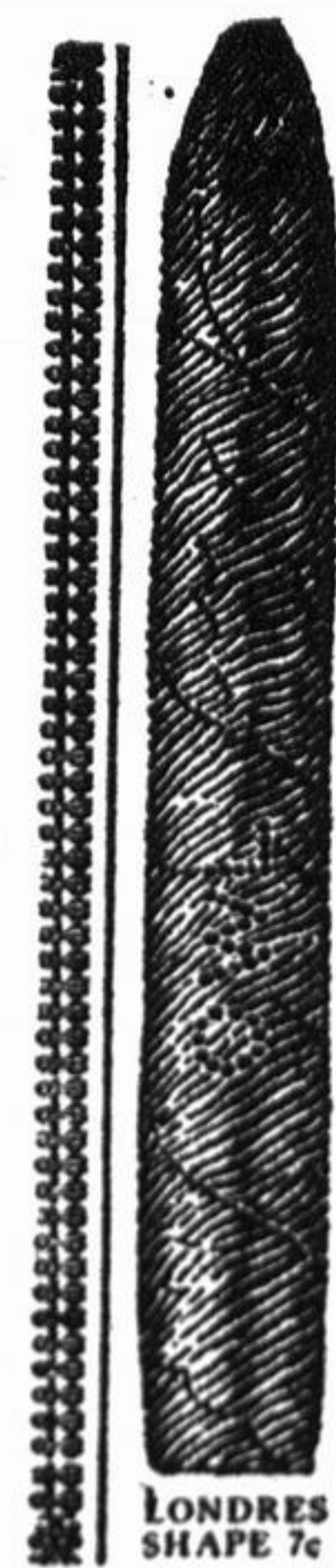
PURPLE VICTORS IN CONG'L PHILATHEA CONTEST

The membership contest between the Golds and the Purples, of the Congregational Philathea Class, ended last Sunday morning with the Purple being victorious under the leadership of Mrs. Wedell. The contest was exceedingly close, the Purple winning by the small margin of five points.

The class is well organized and the discussions at the Sunday morning meetings are very interesting.

If you wish to become affiliated with a live organization join the Philathea Class of the First Congregational Church.

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