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ORGANIZE FOR BETTER ROADS FOR TOWNSHIP

Another Meeting will be Held at Hinsdale Club House on Next Tuesday.

At a meeting called by President W. R. Hyde of the Village League of Hinsdale in the parlors of the Hinsdale Club on Tuesday evening, July 27th, about sixty representative property owners and automobilists who are interested in the betterment of roads in Downers Grove Township, were present.

Mr. Ernest H. Hicks was unanimously elected temporary chairman of the meeting and after a general discussion of conditions, a motion was made and carried unanimously that a committee of ten be appointed by the Chairman to present before a future meeting date, suggestions and recommendations for a permanent organization, which organization was to bring about the improvement of road conditions in the southern part of DuPage county. The committee appointed by the Chairman is made up by the following:

S. K. Markman, Chairman; P. R. Clark, W. R. Hyde, Mr. Jefferson, Claus Scheel, E. H. Hicks, J. W. Hughes, Dr. Walter C. Barber, A. E. Snow and John Lozier.

It was then moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn until Tuesday night, August 3rd, at which time the above named committee would report to all interested residents of Downers Grove Township at a meeting in the club house at 8 o'clock p. m., and that, if possible, arrangements would be made to have Superintendent Quinlan of the Cook County Highways Commission and Superintendent Gates of DuPage County present.

Under the present taxation system of 61c per \$100.00 valuation, Downers Grove Township obtains about \$21,000.00 per annum to construct and maintain its 120 miles of road. This means, approximately \$175.00 per mile per year and it is needless to point out that the Road Commissioners are doing the very best they can with the funds available, but during these times of high prices comparatively little can be accomplished on this amount.

Township Commissioner Rowe has expended approximately \$10,000.00 for this year and is now spending about \$2,000.00 a month on road maintenance. However, it was brought up by State Representative McCabe that County and Highway officials as a rule hesitated in calling upon the State for their share of the \$60,000.00 bond issue for the purpose of building hard roads. It was the consensus of opinion of all present that the residents of the township have been asleep or otherwise we would have had some benefits before this.

It is necessary, in order to secure the use of the funds available, that a definite plan be mapped out by each County. The reason given for the delay in building any hard roads in the southern part of DuPage has been due to the fact that the Commissioners have been awaiting the plans of the Cook County Commissioners and then only one road was contemplated.

Mr. Scheel of Byrnesville pointed out that the farmers in the southern part of the county only have mail delivery to them about one-half of the time because of the impassable condition of the roads during the winter and rainy months. These roads have been laid out for the past fifty years and are in no better condition now than at the time they were laid out, so far as connection is concerned.

We have the assurance of our neighbors to the north in York that they will assist in forming local organizations which will further the road betterment work in their district and, furthermore, the assistance of Representative McCabe in securing any road machinery necessary for use in the country, and it is hoped that with the residents in Downers Grove cooperating that a large attendance will be present at the meeting next Tuesday night at which time a permanent organization will be formed.

DR. GOODWIN SAYS "THE WILL IS THE MOTIVE POWER"

Pastor of St. Joseph's Church Delivering Lectures on Applied Psychology.

The lectures which Dr. Goodwin is delivering Sundays at 10 o'clock on "Applied Psychology" are short and practical. The audience is expected to put in practice during the week the lesson they have heard explained Sunday. Last Sunday he said in part:

"If a man who had never seen one were told that there was an object called a phonograph he might know from his Greek that it was something that recorded sound. If he were told that it was a talking machine immediately he would form a clearer idea of it. So it is with Applied Psychology. When we learn that it is a branch of science that will make a man more efficient for himself, not merely for his employer, and better able to get the best out of life it becomes intelligible. Nearly everyone who reaches middle life is little more than a bundle of habits. He has been shaped by the will of his employer to work habitually for his employer. That is the reason of our becoming stale. It explains also why many people become old although they are still young in years. Their minds have become set, stationary, and the world moving on has left them alone.

"Applied Psychology enables such people to get a second wind. The fires are stirred up and the bright clear flame of the mind puts new energy and warmth into the chilled body. How does it do it? If anything, Applied Psychology is practical. It concerns that most practical of all our faculties, the will. The will is the motive power that makes the whole machine go.

"To make it go we must have supreme confidence, supreme faith in the will. Without that supreme faith the will wobbles. It moves the machine of the body like a nervous man drives an automobile. But just as the nervous man when he overcomes his nervousness, which means nothing more than when he permits his will to control his body because he has confidence in his will, is able to properly drive his car, so the first thing to do is to convince ourselves of our ability to guide our will in order that the will may make the body go.

"As the painter first carefully sizes his canvas before he begins his picture so we must as it were size our minds. Therefore this week first interest yourselves in your own will because it means interesting yourselves in what will prolong your life and make you better spiritually and physically. Next every night determine to keep your mind clear and cheerful the day following. And all faith in yourselves. These are the first and elementary rules of Applied Psychology. Observance of them will the time have supreme confidence, put your mind in shape for later work. They will enable you to acquire self control, to have faith in your power to do what you will.

"The rules are not new. They are very old, so old, in fact, that we have forgotten them, and by forgetting them have lost that which prolongs life and makes life worth living.

"The next lecture will be on freeing ourselves from our environment. Do not be a slave of your surroundings, nor the mindless servant of your employer. Take a mental chance."

Mrs. J. R. Shaffer, Mrs. I. M. Howe and daughters, motored to Geneva on Wednesday the twenty-first and spent the day with Mrs. Howe's sister, Mrs. H. W. Foote.

"SOME PAPER YOU GET OUT"

We have been complimented on the Downers Grove Reporter by many of our subscribers. But when a man in the newspaper business himself and in DuPage County, says the above words, adding, "I don't see how you manage to get all the news you do," then indeed we know that our efforts to give Downers Grove a real newspaper are not all in vain. If not a regular subscriber, get on the list now.

GOING BACK AFTER SOME MORE MEDALS



HIT BY TRAIN-- DIES AT COUNTY HOSPITAL TUESD'Y

E. D. Martin, Checker at Q. Freight House Leaves Wife and Six Children.

Ed. D. Martin of 105 Parkway ave., died at the Cook County hospital at eleven o'clock Tuesday evening, July 27th, from injuries received when he was hit by a train at the Canal st. yards of the Burlington.

Mr. Martin was a freight checker in the houses at Canal st. At 5:30 each evening it was part of his duties to close the doors of the cars standing on the sidings. He was attending to this as usual on Tuesday and had almost completed his task when he was run over by a switch engine receiving the injuries that caused his death.

Before he died he made a statement that the wrong signal was given him; that the train crew came down a track other than they should have done.

Mr. Martin was born November 10, 1872, in Shelbyville, Ky. November 8, 1900 he was married in Columbus, Mo., to Amelia Sherman and they came to Downers Grove with their family about three years ago.

He leaves to mourn his loss, his mother, one sister, Mrs. Geo. M. Perkins of Summit and Lyman streets, his wife and six children, Ernest, Florence, Edwin, Alma, Marie and Glenn.

Funeral services will be held at the home this morning, the Rev. John Stewart of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be made in the West Side cemetery.

MISCELLANEOUS SHOWER FOR MISS RUTH STEVENSON

Mrs. C. W. Van Beynum gave a miscellaneous shower on Monday evening, July 26th, for Miss Ruth Stevenson who was married on Wednesday evening, at her home on North Main street.

Sixteen ladies were present and bunco enlivened the evening. Ice cream and cake was served and the guests departing at a late hour wished the bride-to-be a long and happily married life.

Miss Stevenson was the recipient of many beautiful gifts.

The Rev. H. J. Schiek, an eloquent and forceful speaker, who knows how to put his thought beautifully, will address the congregation at the Closed Street Church, Sunday, August 1 at 7:45 p. m.

"FAG" ORDINANCE REPEALED BY 156 VOTES SATURDAY

Village Council to Take up Regulation of Sale at Next Week's Meeting.

504 votes were cast at the election last Saturday held to determine what the voters of the village wished the Council to do in regard to an ordinance recently passed by them prohibiting the sale of cigarettes in the village. The vote was the first referendum held under the Commission Form of Government and by its terms the Council will now repeal the ordinance.

Of the vote cast 330 were for the repeal and 174 against, a majority of 156 yes.

Detail of the ballots cast in the two precincts are as follows:

	Yes	N.S.	S.S.	Tot.
Men	117	119	236	
Women	51	42	94	
Total				330

	Yes	N.S.	S.S.	Tot.
Men	26	55	81	
Women	28	65	93	
Total				184

Majority for Yes... 156

The Village Council met in regular session Monday night but did not take up the matter of repealing the ordinance or substituting anything for it. When asked what they would do now, Mayor Barber said that it probably would be acted on at their next meeting which would be held next Monday night.

REV. A. S. PHELPS GAVE MESSAGE AT OPEN AIR MEETING

In spite of the cool evening the third Union Service of the Closed Street Church was well attended.

Rev. Stewart of the Baptist Church presided. Mr. Roe of the Methodist Church assisted by the orchestra led the song service. Mr. Phelps delivered a message on "The Lordship of Jesus Christ in the Industrial World" and he made it very plain that there can be no success without Jesus Christ in business, not meaning in dollars and cents—as the world would term it—but treasures laid up in Heaven where moth and rust does not corrupt.

Next meeting will be in charge of the Congregational Church. H. J. Schiek, President of Elmhurst Academy, will preach. Rev. Grotfeld will preside.

NAPERVILLE "Y" BIG SWIMMING MEET TOMORROW

Annual Water Contest Will be Held in "Big" Quarry—Many Events Listed.

The annual swimming meet, held under the auspices of the Naperville Y. M. C. A., will be staged in the "big" quarry at Naperville tomorrow afternoon, Saturday, July 31st.

This swimming meet year by year is interesting more and more people of this territory who like to swim and who like to see competition in this branch of sport.

Y. M. C. A. teams from Chicago, Aurora and Naperville, besides many individual entries will take part in the many events listed.

Naperville is situated 28 miles west of Chicago, on the Burlington Railroad.

The Quarry is almost an ideal body of water for an out door swimming meet. It is near the heart of the city and only a few blocks from the Y. M. C. A. It is surrounded by high stone banks. The water is deep, clear and pure. Arrangements for the starting of the races and fancy diving are the very best. A 100-yard straight-away is laid off on one side of the lake.

There will be 10 regular events on the program.

Silver medals will be awarded winners in each event and ribbon for second place in each event.

An entrance fee of fifty cents per individual for three or less events. An additional fee of twenty-five cents for each of two additional events may be received from any entrant. The limit of events in which any one individual may enter is five.

The meet is open to all amateurs regardless of membership in any Association.

The Naperville Association has established an enviable record for previous meets. Large attendances, and keen competition and real sport has ever been the order of the meets. This meet will be as it has always been one of the features of the "Swimming World" in this section of the country.

Registration must be made with the General Secretary of the Naperville Association, George E. Meyer, and should be made as soon as possible. The entrance fee must accompany each registration blank.

A. I. of N. A. rules will prevail.

The list of events includes:
50 yard swim.
100 yard swim.
220 yard swim.
440 yard swim.
Plunge for distance.
880 yard swim.
Fancy diving.
100 yard breast stroke.
100 yard back stroke.
440 yard relay.
440 yard relay. (Teams of four.)

In other years, while there have been no entrants from Downers Grove, many local people have been spectators. We believe that this year will be no exception and that the people from here who indulge and those who would like to, will attend the meet.

SHOWING THEIR COLORS

The following little item clipped from The Reporter of twenty-two years ago, we know will interest many.

"The very latest fad among the young ladies of Downers Grove, according to E. C. Wetten, is to wear garters of red, white and blue. This is quite patriotic, but Amos says what a predicament they would be in if a man of war overhaul them and make them show their colors.

"BUSINESS IS GETTING BETTER"

One of our best advertisers was in the office Tuesday and in the course of our conversation said he above words. He is a man who believes in advertising and more than that who knows how to present his case before the public in such a way that both he and the public benefit. If there were more men such as he running these community stores there would be less talk of buying in Chicago.

CO. SCHOOL Supt. POSTPONES HIGH SCHOOL ELECTION

Superintendent of Schools Bowman Telegraphs Instructions For Another Polling Place.

County Superintendent of Schools, C. B. Bowman has postponed the election on the Community High School proposition until Saturday, August 14th.

Mr. Morgan of Wheaton, who is Mr. Bowman's assistant in the office, received telegraphic instructions to that effect last Friday. He immediately got in touch with A. C. Minkley, President of the Board of Education, and acquainted him with the facts.

Mr. Bowman is somewhere in the East on an automobile trip to Washington, D. C. Every effort had been made by telegraph and telephone to get him to try and have him alter his decision on the matter. When he could not be reached by Tuesday morning, Mr. Morgan could do nothing but carry out his instructions and has taken down the election notices calling the election for next Saturday. Other notices have been substituted and the question will be decided on Saturday, August 14th.

Mr. Bowman's reason for calling off the election was that the farmers around Lisle demanded of him that he have a polling place in that community as well as one in Downers Grove for this election. In the first place it was Mr. Bowman and no other, who decided that but one polling place would be used and that would be located in Downers Grove. Sufficient pressure has been brought to bear on him, however, to make him change his mind.

The people of the Lisle district are not to be censured for wanting a polling place in their vicinity. However, they should not blame those who are interesting themselves in the creation of the high school district as it was Mr. Bowman who fixed the polling place, the date of the election and every other important thing which came up. His change of mind on the number of polling places will only be an added expense to the county and will not have any influence on the final result.

The North and South Side polling places will be used in the village and the one in Lisle will make three voting places for the district.

More and more are the people of this district becoming interested in this all important question. Where two or three weeks ago hardly anyone was even interested enough to argue about it, now it seems that it has overshadowed every other question before the people of this community.

We predict that a record vote will be cast at the election.

TO SHOW VACATION SCHOOL'S WORK TOMORROW

Exhibit Will be Held at Baptist Church of Work Done by Children.

When Pastor and Mrs. Stewart began the arrangement for a Daily Vacation Bible School in Downers Grove they encountered a variety of opinions regarding the prospects of its success; some people said "the boys and girls won't attend," others "It can't be done here," some shook their heads doubtfully, while others gave cheer and encouragement.

The public will be glad to know that the experiment has proved a gratifying success. 135 boys and girls have been enrolled and the average attendance has been over 100.

The variety of craft work done will be exhibited tomorrow evening, Saturday, July 31st, at 7:30 in the Baptist Church where the school has been held. Parents and friends are cordially invited to be present.

As the little folks have had but two weeks of the school this year, perfection can hardly be expected but the progress made in so short a session is prophetic of what can be accomplished in a longer session another year.

The school will close its session on Friday at 11:30 a. m.