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ORGANIZATION TO WORK FOR BETTER ROADS A REALITY

Met at Hinsdale Tuesday Evening—Elected Officers and Made Plans for Working.

The Downers Grove Township Good Roads Association was formed at a meeting held in the Hinsdale Club House Tuesday evening. Representatives from every part of the township were present and all were enthusiastic about the association helping in bringing the roads of this part of the County up to a higher standard.

The association is the outcome of a preliminary meeting held last Tuesday evening and as the names indicate, its primary object is the improvement of roads of the township. Temporary Chairman E. H. Hicks, of Hinsdale, presided and a committee appointed for the purpose read recommendations on organization. One of the things this committee brought out was the fact that only the north part of the county has been benefited by the "State Aid" road project. In their opinion the reason the south part has been overlooked was that there was no organization in this vicinity to look out for the interests of residents of Downers Grove, Hinsdale and surrounding districts. They also recommended that the association endeavor to start similar organizations in adjoining townships and cooperate with them. They stated that the roads in the south part of the township were so bad that in the winter mail deliveries could not be made.

Officers of the newly formed organization were elected as follows: S. K. Markman of Hinsdale, President; 1st Vice President, Chas. Mochel, of Downers Grove; 2nd Vice President, Claus Scheel, of Byrnesville; 3rd Vice President, Chas. Orchard, of the south-west part; 4th Vice President, Wm. Andermann, of Lacc. Secretary and Treasurer, R. L. Woodcock, of Hinsdale.

The Executive Committee, five of whom were named by each of the vice presidents, is as follows: Ed. Shos, Peter Rieken, Chas. Wachter, J. W. Hughes, Walter Curtis, J. S. Lozier, Dr. W. C. Barber, A. B. Snow, Albert Kling, H. R. Andrus, John Heardt, Chas. Oldfield, Fred H. Smith, Edw. Eichhorst, Dick Krueder, Jacob Klein, R. W. Burrs, Geo. Roehly, P. R. Clark and Paul Henderson.

This committee will meet next Tuesday evening in the Hinsdale Club and will meet frequently thereafter in various parts of the township. Following the organization the newly-elected president made a short talk, outlining some of the things which in his opinion the association should strive to do. He then called on E. L. Gates, County Superintendent of Highways for an expression on the hard roads program.

Mr. Gates stated that there were two ways for a township to finance a hard road project. The first was to issue bonds for a certain amount. The second was to increase the tax rate which is now 63 cents on a hundred of valuation. It can be increased 66 cents a hundred for a five year period. In both of the cases it is necessary to get a petition signed by twenty-five per cent of the voters to hold an election. The ballot must specify the roads to be improved, the kind of improvement and the approximate amount. Each must carry by a majority to become effective.

Mr. Gates also told of the high cost of hard road building at present and recommended that nothing be done immediately. He told of an experiment which the county is making on a piece of road near Naperville which he believed would work out a good, cheap road. Clean gravel and tarvia are put on in layers with a fine stone and tarvia dressing. The whole is then rolled and the tarvia binds the mass together. In Mr. Gates' opinion if this works out, it will be possible to have almost every road in the township fixed for the price of two concrete highways.

Commissioner Roe of the township was called on for a few remarks. (Continued on Page 8)

VACATION SCHOOL CLOSED WITH EXHIBIT SATURDAY

Wonderful Work Done in the Two Weeks Sessions Held in the Baptist Church.

The Daily Vacation Bible School, under the auspices of the Baptist Church, held its last session Friday morning, July 30th, with an enrollment of 166, and an attendance of 114, on the closing day.

Saturday evening following, a most interesting entertainment was given, the parents and friends of the children being present. A program such as had been carried out in the morning sessions of the school, was presented. Miss Hortense Goss of La Grange, who had supervised all the work, favored us with a reading by Henry Van Dyke entitled "The Lost World." Mr. Harold Ackerman of LaGrange, rendered a piano selection. The work of the children was exhibited at the close of the program. A very large number of articles were exhibited, considering the days the school was in session. The brass work was by far the largest and most attractive feature of the exhibit, and those receiving awards in the brass work were Miss Irene Tank, Jean Nargney and Beatrice Hanchett.

Mrs. J. Stewart, wife of the pastor, served as principal of the school. Mrs. Stewart also had charge of the Junior Department, and taught the basket making and sewing classes.

Rev. J. Stewart taught the seral saw class and Mrs. Wm. Baker had charge of the sanitas class.

In the Primary work, Mrs. M. B. Hanchett was superintendent, and was assisted by Mrs. Oscar Potter, Mrs. E. S. Howe, Miss Penner, Miss Margaret Kettnering and Miss Eleanor Hanchett.

Miss Dorothy Neer was superintendent of the Kindergarten Department. Her assistants were the Misses Marjorie and Helen West, Miss Lorraine Modjeska and Miss Mar Binder.

Harold Ackerman of LaGrange, taught the Hammock class and Miss Flora Flood and Miss Ruth Henderson assisted in all three of the departments.

Those who had articles in the exhibit and who were not present to claim them last Saturday evening, may obtain same by calling at 30 E. Curtis street.

Inasmuch as so great an interest in the school was manifested from the very first, we believe that all who have helped in making the school a success, feel amply repaid for their time and effort. However, a special word of thanks and appreciation is due Miss Goss and Harold Ackerman for their most valued assistance.

REPORTER GETS HONORABLE MENTION ON MAKE-UP

The American Printer Awards Paper Place Among Best in Recent Front Page Contest.

The American Printer, one of the leading trade journals of the United States, recently ran a "newspaper front page contest." A prize was given to one paper for the best make-up in a six months period. Thousands of papers were entered in the contest from every part of the United States and some foreign countries.

ADVERTISING WILL NOT SELL GOODS

Many people who advertise do so under the belief that the mere doing of this famous thing will sell their goods, be they grocers, auto tires or grand pianos. This is not true. Advertising does one of two things—it creates a desire for an article or it tells interested people where an article can be purchased or it does both. But some man or some woman really does the selling, advertising brings the buyer and the seller together. If you are selling Downers Grove people advertise to them in the Downers Grove Reporter.

TRY FEEDING HER



VILLAGE COUNCIL LICENSED SALE OF CIGARETS MONDAY

Fixed Fee for Sale of "Fags" at \$150 per Year or \$100 for Six Months.

At the regular meeting of the Village Council held on Tuesday evening action was taken on the cigaret question in Downers Grove as per the result at the election two weeks ago.

An ordinance was passed licensing the sale of cigarets in the Village and fixing the price of the license at \$150 per year or \$100 for six months or fraction thereof. This new fee is fifty dollars higher than it was under the old law.

One section of the ordinance provides that the license must be on display at all times in the place where the cigarets are sold, with a penalty for violation. Another provides that no cigarets be sold to anyone under twenty-one years of age and the penalty for this is revocation of license and money paid in for same. It also provides that no license be again granted to anyone convicted of this offense.

The law provides that two persons must sign with those asking for permits. These people must testify that the people desiring a permit are competent and in their judgment will live up to the provisions of the ordinance.

The new ordinance as passed is substantially as advocated by the Reporter recently and the Parent-Teacher Association early in the spring.

Two applications for licenses have been received, one from Bertolin & Siebert, who have been handling the "fags" right along and the other from the Puffer Pharmacy.

Out of these thousands of entries The Downers Grove Reporter was one of about twenty-five to get "honorable mention."

It is needless to say that we are somewhat proud of this record. It coincides with what we have been saying about our publication—that not only do we print more news, but we dish it up in a pleasing way.

The judges took into consideration not only the way the page was arranged, but the kind and sizes of type used for the headings and sub-headings, the harmony and symmetrical arrangement of the heads and boxes.

WHEATON EDITOR ANNOUNCES SELF FOR LEGISLATURE

George M. Smith, Progressive Editor, Seeking to Help Frame Illinois Laws.

George M. Smith, editor of the Wheaton Progressive, has announced that he will be a candidate from Du Page County for the State Legislature at the fall election. Mr. Smith's announcement came after friends around the county had tried in vain to get State's Attorney Chas. W. Hadley, of Wheaton, to be a candidate for this office.

Mr. Hadley will neither be a candidate for re-election, nor will he be for any other political office this fall if his close friends are to be relied upon for the information. He has given long and faithful service to the county and will now retire and take care of his lucrative law practice. He had considered making the race for the State House of Representatives but could not spare the time from his business.

Mr. Smith has been publishing the Wheaton Progressive for a number of years, taking over the plant when it was all run down and has made extensive improvements. Born in Ohio, the Mother of Presidents, he has followed the printing business from boyhood, working up from a printer's "devil" to the editorship and ownership of a "country" weekly.

He served in the army during the war and is a member of the Wheaton Post of the American Legion. He is young, enthusiastic, aggressive and should make a good representative for this district.

The newspaper fraternity of the county is lining up solidly behind Mr. Smith. They have come into intimate contact with him, know that he is what he purports to be, an American citizen, free, white and twenty-one, and seeking election on the ground that the state needs business men in her law-making bodies.

FIFTEEN YEAR OLD BOY DIES OF APPENDICITIS WEDNESDAY

Helmuth Kropp, 15 years old, died at the Presbyterian hospital Wednesday morning, August 4th, from appendicitis. Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of his parents, 40 Elm st. The Rev. Wm. Grotefeld, pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical Church officiating. Interment at the West Side cemetery.

GOODWIN LECTURES ON APPLIED PSYCHOLOGY DRAW MANY

"The Mind Can Cure Many Cases of Nervousness in Both Men and Women."

Many people have been attending the Sunday morning services at St. Joseph's Catholic Church the last few weeks, not of that denomination. The card which has been drawing them has been a series of lectures by the Rev. Eneas B. Goodwin, pastor of the church on "Applied Psychology."

Dr. Goodwin in this series of lectures, given at the ten o'clock service, is endeavoring to open to his parishioners and to all who care to hear him, new vistas of the future. He says, "the mind can cure many cases of nervousness in both men and women," and he emphasizes the fact that these lectures are for the men as well as the women.

In telling of the wonders of applied psychology Dr. Goodwin quoted "Some people have three kinds of troubles, all they ever had, all they have now and all they expect to have."

COLLEGE HEAD DELIVERED SERMON LAST SUNDAY

The Rev. H. J. Schiek, President of Elmhurst Academy and Colleg, delivered the sermon at the Closed Street Church last Sunday evening.

Those who came out to this service were well repaid for their effort the orchestra favored the audience with some very fine selections and accompanied the singing. Mr. Morton led congregational singing with his usual efficiency and earnestness.

The music at these evening services helps in a large measure to make them as popular as they are.

The Congregational people were in charge of the seating and collection, and the St. Pauls folks furnished the speaker and extra singer for the evening, the Rev. Owens led in prayer, the Rev. Stewart read the scripture lesson and the Rev. Phelps dismissed the congregation with the benediction. The Rev. H. J. Schiek delivered a beautiful and helpful message that was thoroughly enjoyed by an appreciative audience. Mr. Louis Hilbrand from Bethany Church, Chicago, was the soloist, accompanied by Miss Esther Klein. The Rev. Wm. Grotefeld presided at this meeting.

The service for Sunday evening, August 8th is in charge of the First Evangelical Church, Pastor J. Alfred Nansen. The pastor in charge is still on his vacation. The Rev. J. C. Stamm, of Naperville College, will be the speaker of the evening and the Rev. T. J. Owens of the First Congregational Church will preside. cordial welcome is extended to the public.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Bryan and family wish to extend their many thanks to all, both those who suggested and those who helped to carry out the suggestion, in placing the beautiful window in Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church of Downers Grove, Illinois, in memory of their son, John Victor Bryan, a member of the U. S. Marine Corps, of the American Expeditionary Forces to France.

ADVERTISING DOES NOT PAY

How many times have you heard so-called business men say that? Several, we'll wager. And did you ever notice the kind of business places the same men try to advertise? Prices high, usually; stock piled all over and not in shape; poor service; rotten salesmanship; dirty stores, as a rule; no thought of accommodation; etc. etc., is it any wonder that advertising does not pay them? In ninety-nine cases of a hundred the store that advertises is the store where you get the most for your money. And that means the most of everything—the most goods and the most satisfaction from the transaction.

MASS MEETINGS CALLED ON COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Speakers at Lisle School Next Tuesday—Dicke Theatre on Wednesday.

Two big Community High School mass meetings are scheduled for next week. The first will be held at the Lisle school house on Tuesday evening and the second at the Dicke Theatre here, on Wednesday evening. Other meetings are contemplated and possibly four-minute speakers will talk at the movie shows.

The speakers for these meetings will have a grasp of the subject, not only as it applies to Downers Grove and the problems that will have to be faced here, but how the idea has been applied in other districts in this and other states.

Committee Met. Plans for these meetings were discussed at a meeting of the general committee boosting the proposition at Library Hall, on Tuesday evening. This committee originally was appointed by the Parent-Teacher Association to further the project. It has grown now until it includes a good many non-members of the Association but who are boosting for the high school.

Committees were appointed at the meeting to cover almost every phase of the situation, and these men and women are now busy at their allotted tasks. Lists of the committees will be found following this article.

Almost every possible contingency was discussed at the meeting and the general opinion expressed was that the widest possible publicity be given the proposition.

Wonderful Talk. K. M. Snapp, the new Superintendent of Schools of District 58, made the principal talk of the evening. Mr. Snapp has been in charge of three different Township or Community High Schools. One in Indiana and two in Illinois. For the past twelve years he has been at the head of these schools; his last charge being the Mendota school, one of the best in the state.

Mr. Snapp told one thing which greatly cheered those who are working for the proposition. He said that nowhere have these districts been established in his knowledge, without a big fight and the strongest opposers of the plan were, after the institution was a reality, its strongest supporters. He told how at Mendota seventy-eight farmers raised over eight thousand dollars to fight the matter in the courts. In spite of this the district was established and today seventy of those farmers are numbered among its warmest friends.

An Agricultural Course? Believing that the agricultural feature of this community high school is the most important, not only to the farmers of this district, but to the city people, we are giving a rather lengthy account of what Mr. Snapp had to say regarding this branch of school work. While not quoting his exact words we are endeavoring to give the meaning of what he said. It is the firm belief of many who heard him Tuesday evening that if he could say exactly what he said at that meeting to a majority of the agriculturists of the district that they would be for the community high school.

Mr. Snapp, in referring to what the farmer gets out of the school said, Under a law recently passed by the Federal Government any district in the United States can hire an agricultural instructor and the United States will pay one-half his salary. The duties of this man will keep him occupied twelve months of the year, not just nine. He will teach the regular farm course in the schools. He will after school hours, Saturdays and during vacations go out in the district and assist the farmers in the most modern methods of agriculture. Livestock judging, the principals of breeding for blood lines, the fertility of the soil, drainage and farm enemy insects, fertility, crop rotation, the hundred and one problems which must be met today on the farm.

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