

The Forum

This department is a place where readers may voice their opinion, express their ideas and discuss men and affairs.

There are hundreds of good writers good thinkers and good citizens here who should contribute to this department and give what aid they can in clarifying public opinion.

No attention will be paid to anonymous communications. However, if the letter is not of a sharp, controversial character, the writer may use a pseudonym, but the editor must know the real name and address.

A DEMOCRATIC INTERPRETATION OF THE RESULTS OF TUESDAY

Dear Mr. Staats:

I am very much gratified to note that you have established in The Reporter a "Forum," which ought to and doubtless will prove one of the most interesting features of your valuable paper; and I wish to take advantage of this opportunity to say that you publish what in my judgment is the finest little weekly to be found anywhere, and as you know I have been around considerably.

Nevertheless and notwithstanding, I wish to be privileged the first thing to take issue with your editorial of this past week, wherein you tell us that the result of the election—or rather of the slaughter, for this is what it really was—is that the country was "nauseated with Wilsonism."

Again, I notice that you take occasion elsewhere in this same issue to comment—on the imaginary lack in desiring to be conspicuous as well as the evident lack numerically of our Democratic Brethren, despite the so-called favoring weather—to the effect that "Ain't it the Truth?"

Well, this is only further evidence of the fundamental difference politically of ye humble servant with Ye Editor. For, frankly, I feel proud in this instance to have been on the losing side, and I'll tell you why.

Editor's note—It sounds like the wail of a beaten man. We hesitated over publishing it but that opening paragraph decided us.

BOY SCOUT FUND IS WELL OVER THE 2000 DOLLAR MARK

Table listing contributors to the Boy Scout Fund, including names like V. Simonson, Elmer Uhlhorn, and John D. Downer, with their respective contribution amounts.

The Moro mother is never troubled by the fear that her baby coach is out of fashion, for she never has one. She throws her children on her shoulder, one on each side, perhaps, and the youngsters cling to her hair.

OPEN FORUM TO DISCUSS WHEAT PIT AND FARMER

Howard Jones and E. Roy Behrel to Speak at the Forum this Evening.

This evening, Friday, November 12, the Open Forum will discuss the question, "Is the Board of Trade a Benefit to the People, especially to the Farmer?"

One of the speakers on the program will be Howard P. Jones, who needs no introduction to Downers Grove audiences. Mr. Jones was for years with the Associated Press but recently he has been made publicity man of the Chicago Board of Trade and is editor of "The Board," a publication issued by the Promotion Committee of that body.

E. Roy Behrel, the other local speaker, has been connected with a firm which deals on the Board for many years. Mr. Behrel will tell the more technical side of "trading in wheat."

Dr. Eneas E. Goodwin, pastor of the church where the meeting will be held, is the originator of the Forum idea in Downers Grove. He will act as moderator.

Following the speakers a discussion of the subject will be held. Anyone having anything worth hearing to be said on the subject will be listened to gladly.

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE VILLAGE BOARD

Downers Grove, Ill., Nov. 1, 1920. Regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Downers Grove, Ill. Present at roll call Mayor W. C. Barber and Commissioners Bender, Haller, Bryce and Heartt.

Minutes of the meeting of October 25th, 1920, were read and Commissioner Haller moved to approve same. On roll call Commissioners Haller, Heartt, Bender, Bryce and Mayor Barber voted Aye. Nays none. Motion carried.

Commissioner Heartt presented the following resolution and moved for its acceptance:

RESOLUTION Resolved, That the Village Treasurer, C. Ford Davis, be hereby instructed to draw a voucher, payable from Fund "A," to the order of C. D. Knight and A. R. Patton, for the sum of Three Hundred Thirty-nine Dollars and Twelve Cents (\$339.12) said payment being in full for all sum or sums due said C. D. Knight and A. R. Patton for work done in connection with the collection of forfeitures as per contract with them.

It is resolved further that the payment of said sum will constitute a settlement in full of disputed matters of payments now pending, but that said payment shall not in anywise affect further sum or sums due them in connection with the collection of further forfeitures pertaining to which their contract applies.

On roll call Commissioners Heartt, Bender, Bryce, Haller, Mayor Barber voted Aye. Nays none. Motion carried.

Commissioner Heartt presented the semi-monthly pay roll for the period from October 15 to October 30, 1920, and various bills and moved to approve same and have warrants drawn for the several amounts as follows:

PAY ROLL Oct. 15, to Oct. 30, 1920. Dept. of Accounts & Finances. Chas. M. Hitch—Salary \$70.00, M. Vennard 57.50, C. McMahon 57.50, A. B. Snow 7.50, William Bender 4.17, Harry W. Bryce 4.17, Charles Haller 4.17, I. G. Heartt 4.17, W. C. Barber 10.42, C. Ford Davis 15.00. Dept. of Health & Safety. William Edgeton—Sal.—Police \$31.45, S. Budzik—Sal.—Pit 8.00. Dept. of Sts. & Public Imp. S. Budzik—Sal.—Streets \$28.00, Sewers 16.00, J. Banks—Sal.—Streets 36.00, Sewers 16.00. Dept. of Public Property. H. L. Thompson—Salary \$65.00, Extra time 5 hours 4.56, Ola Irwin—Salary 65.00, Extra time 20 hours 16.20, Wilber Dunn—Salary 660.00, Earl Watkins—Salary 67.50, Extra time 14 hours 11.76, Frank Allen—Salary 95.00.

Dept. of Accounts & Finances. Downers Grove Pub. Co., Bill Nov. 1, 1920 \$5.75, Addressograph Co., Bill 10-19 7.15, Chicago Telephone Co. Bill July 27, 1920 .20, Petty cash account, Oct. Acct. 5.05. Dept. of Public Affairs. L. F. Edwards, Bill 10-1 \$63.30, Downers Grove Pub. Co., 11-1 86.25. Dept. of Health & Safety. Zindt's Pharmacy, Bill 10-4 \$3.00, Petty Cash account .10. Dept. of Sts. & Pub. Imp. Lord Lumber Co., Bill No. 634\$ 2.35, Bill No. 105 .25, Joseph Dieter (sewers) 10-30 40.00, Streets, 10-30 160.00, J. D. Gillespie & Co., 11-1 1.10, Lester Barr, Jury service .50, L. E. Jones .50, Andrew Jacoby .50, J. B. Sherman .50, F. N. Davis .50, W. P. Kuegeman .50, H. C. Chambers, Cons. fees 1.50, Petty cash 4.47. Dept. of Public Property. Chgo. Tel. Co., Bill 11-1 .50, Petty cash acct. 108.53, Western Electric Co. Bills GD 706573 80.45, GD 706858 8.62, General Electric Co., Bill C 20126 22.73, Sinclair Refining Co., Bills No. 268886 96.50, No. 2692266 28.50, No. 269208 34.90, The Texas Co., Bill No. 38 661.25, James B. Clow & Sons, Bills Sept. 29 36.18, Oct. 1 23.95, Henion & Hubbell, Bill 10-1 40.50, The Ford Meter Box Co., Bill No. 10621 23.76, Link-Belt Co., Bill V-66484 33.83, Buffalo Meter Co., Bill 9-18 57.60, J. W. Nash, Bill 11-1 3.98, Raymond Lead Works, 10-18 48.64, Busch-Sulzer Bros. Eng. Co., Bill No. 10074 P. C. 29.00, Hawkins Elec. Co., No. 2835 3.75, J. D. Gillespie & Co., Bill 11-1 2.75, Monarch Elec. & Wire Co., Bill No. 67023 66.47, Bill No. 68382 126.16, Lord Lumber Co., Bills 634 .72, 105 9.43, Fred Heinke, Bill 11-1 137.46, Oxweld Acetylene Co., Bill No. 14316 175.00, W. D. Allen Mfg. Co., Bill 9-1 13.45, V. Fredenhagen, Nov. rent 25.00, Busch-Sulzer Bros. Eng. Co., Note No. 11 \$08.75, Light Dept., Public Light 8.71, Pumping Bill 481.80, On roll call Commissioners Heartt, Bender, Bryce, Haller and Mayor Barber voted Aye. Nays none. Motion carried. Commissioner Heartt moved to adjourn to the next regular meeting date, November 8th, 1920. On roll call Commissioners Heartt, Bender, Bryce, Haller and Mayor Barber voted Aye. Nays none. Motion carried. Chas. M. Hitch, Village Clerk.

GRADE SCHOLARS ARE TO GIVE "ON PLYMOUTH ROCK" Operetta Under Direction of Music Supervisor at Assembly Hall Next Week. It was in 1620, if you will recall the early beginnings of United States history, that the Pilgrim Fathers landed on that "stern and rockbound coast." To properly celebrate the three hundredth anniversary of this event the children of the Downers Grove grade schools will give the operetta, "On Plymouth Rock," next Monday and Wednesday evenings, November 15th and 17th, in the Assembly Hall of the High School. Under the direction of Winifred E. Sheel, Music Supervisor of the Downers Grove Schools, the scholars of the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades will sing songs which they have been rehearsing and do other things in the music line, preceding the operetta. The program is as follows: Selections—High School Orchestra. Songs—Children, first three grades, North and South Side schools. Vocal Solos—Spring's Awakening, By the Waters of Minnetonka (Indian Love Song), by Winifred Emma Sheel. On Plymouth Rock (An Operetta), by children of the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades. Accompanists—Violin, Preston Snow and Piano, Elizabeth Shaffer. Fruit Color is Sunlight. The color of fruit is the result of chemical action, in which sunlight is transformed into red or yellow or orange or purple coloring matter. This chemical action takes place best when the alterations between the heat of day and the cold of night are most marked; in the fall, that is to say, with the spring closely following.

NOTES OF THE DOWNERS GROVE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Pertinent Paragraphs Recording the Doings of Students and Teachers.

Due to an oversight Geraldine Lacey's name was omitted from the honor roll two weeks ago. She made four A's in English IV, Physics, Civics and French II.

During the past week every student has been assigned to a teacher who is to act as an adviser on all matters relating to their school life. It would be a splendid thing for each parent to get acquainted with their children's adviser as soon as possible.

A systematic sale of thrift stamps has been undertaken in the high school in cooperation with the local postoffice. Richard Drees has been appointed school banker and Mary Curtis his assistant. They will have thrift stamps and war savings stamps on sale before school on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Miss Sheel, Supervisor of Music, is putting the finishing touches on the operetta to be given next week by the grade school children. The operetta is entitled "On Plymouth Rock" and the children will be in Puritan costume. The price of admission is 25 cents and the public is invited.

Miss Newtons sewing classes have completed some very fine school dresses, aprons, and night gowns. The girls have shown splendid ability as seamstresses and have found that they could make these garments for less than half of the cost of the ready-made.

The students celebrated the football victory of last Saturday over Glen Ellyn with a great deal of spirit. One of the men of last year's team, Gus Boon, was present in Assembly on Monday morning and made a short talk. The team plays Elmhurst next Saturday and a close game is expected. Elmhurst tied with Glen Ellyn beat Hinsdale.

The dramatic society under the direction of Miss Goodspeed will put on a short play in the assembly on Friday morning. They promise that it will be original as well as entertaining.

All the boys that have won their school letter, the "D," met this week and organized a "D" club. The purpose of this club will be twofold. They plan to take the lead in all school enterprises, to be an organization of leaders, and also to have some social affairs.

The senior class has selected the staff which will publish this year's annual. The staff is: Editor in Chief, George Bunge; Business Manager, Edward Tank; Asst. Business Manager, Richard Drees; Literary Editors, Arthur Taylor and Jeanette Wells; Music Editor, Gwen Griffiths; Dramatic Editor, Dorothy Towles; Society Editor, Elizabeth Shaffer.

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