

**JOSEPH YACKLEY,  
PIONEER, BURIED  
YESTERDAY MORN**

Born in 1828 Has Lived Near Lisle Since 1842—Was One of the "Forty-Eighters"

Joseph Yackley, who has lived near Lisle 79 of his more than 92 years, died at his home in Naperville early Monday morning. Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at 10:00 at the SS. Peter and Paul Catholic Church at Naperville and burial was made in the Catholic cemetery there. The Rev. Bernard Schutte, pastor of the church, officiated.

Mr. Yackley was one of the pioneer residents of DuPage County. Born December 24, 1828 in Wiedesheim, Alsace, France, he came to America with his parents, John Yackley and Helen Staley Yackley when only 14 years of age. The family came directly to DuPage County and Mr. Yackley's father purchased a farm west of Lisle and south of the present line of the "Q."

The news of the discovery of gold in California in 1848 drifted through this country and fired the imagination of the adventurous. Among a party from Lisle was Joseph Yackley, then only twenty years of age. In company with Philip Dieter, Adam Kohley, Alois Schwartz and others, the long, dangerous trip overland through the unmarked plains and mountains was made to the placer diggings of the Golden State. Here success crowned the efforts of Mr. Yackley and he returned to DuPage in 1851 coming home by way of Panama. Until his death Mr. Yackley wore on his watch chain a nugget which he had dug in California.

In 1852 Mr. Yackley married Miss Magdalena Baumeister whose home was on a farm on the Butterfield road near the present Bonaparte school. Here they lived and farmed until Mrs. Yackley was called by death in 1883.

In 1888 Mr. Yackley married Miss Delia Weber, shortly afterward moving to Naperville where he has lived continuously since. Mrs. Yackley passing away a little over a year ago.

Left to mourn his loss are four sons, William, of Wheaton; Frank, of Crystal Lake; Reuben, of Naperville and Edward, of Downers Grove; four daughters, Mrs. Matilda Ory, of Naperville; Mrs. Helen Dillon, of La Grange; Mrs. Margaret Riser, of Naperville and Mrs. Hattie Sofel, of Bellwood; thirty-four grandchildren and fifteen great-grandchildren.

With a wonderful memory for places, dates and facts, and living in the most romantic age of the United States, Mr. Yackley was a mine of information regarding the early days of this section of the country. He was loved by all who knew him and will be missed in a wide circle of relatives and friends.

**ANNUAL MUSICAL**

On Friday evening, April 22, the Annual Musical was given at the high school auditorium, under the supervision of Miss Thelma Roe, director of music. Miss Mildred Sweet, Nadine Beatty and Doris Weaver assisted at the piano. From all reports it is the best program which has been given for years.

The junior high girls in their numbers showed very rapid development, and the numbers were greatly enjoyed by all. The girls' glee club also showed great improvement in their work, especially in interpretation and expression, as was shown in their three numbers. The boys' glee club also did very well.

The girls' and boys' double quartette, which is a very recent organization, only having been formed this year, did very well in the presentation of a cantata, "Columbus" the sentiment of which was made even more effective because Miss Roe gave a splendid interpretation of it in the reading of it just before it was sung.

Anna Hansen's vocal solo and Wilfred Rhode's trombone solo were very much enjoyed, while the two humorous readings given by Harold Cosgrove and Lowell Baker brought down the house.

The scene, "The Camp Fire on the Mense" was very effective and recalled very clearly the war days, and called back to the minds of the ex-soldiers the nights they had spent around the camp fire either in camp here or "Over There" and sang their songs.

Mapleton has not been privileged to enjoy a concert of such a heavy type of music for some time, for such composers as Beethoven, MacDowell, Rachmaninoff, Schubert and DeKoven predominated.

The credit for the success of the program is due entirely to Miss Roe who by her tireless work and splendid directing made this musical treat possible.—Mapleton, (La.) Times.

Miss Roe is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Roe of Curtiss street, a graduate of our high school and a talented young lady.

**BUSY WEEK AHEAD  
FOR 1921 CLASS OF  
D. G. HIGH SCHOOL**

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that they have something unusual in store. The program will be under the direction of Miss Goodspeed. Admission will be by ticket only and these are eagerly being sought for.

Thursday evening, May 26th, will be Commencement. The exercises will be held in the Methodist Episcopal church and admission will be by card only.

Diplomas will be given to the twenty-nine graduates and a suitable program is in the course of preparation.

Following the exercises the Parent-Teacher association will hold an informal lunch and reception at the high school for the graduates. This is an innovation and one which should please both the class and the members of the association.

Next Wednesday will be the last day of the year for the high school. Thursday will be spent by the faculty in the final clean up of averaging the grades of many students and in bringing to a close the high school year. Friday afternoon report cards will be given out and the long vacation will begin.

The 1921 Class Roll is as follows:

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| Ruth Boland      | Fannie Radell     |
| Everett Brown    | Jack Reed         |
| George Bunge     | Elizabeth Shaffer |
| Mary Curtis      | Lillian Schlauder |
| Kathryn Davis    | Leroy Sullivan    |
| Lillian Dickson  | Edward Tank       |
| Vance Gesner     | Dorothy Towles    |
| Edwin Graves     | Arthur Tylor      |
| Grace Greene     | Ruth Waples       |
| Elma Kelly       | Jeanette Wells    |
| Marion Knox      | Marjorie West     |
| Robert Knoblauch | Russell Winchell  |
| Adelaide Lynch   | Harold Zindt      |
| Arthur Mills     | Virginia Waples   |
| Mabel Oldfield   |                   |

**RECEPTION FOR PROF. BOWMAN**

The people of DuPage County are invited by the residents of Naperville to a Community Reception for Prof. and Mrs. Bowman at the Naperville High School Auditorium next Tuesday evening, May 24th.

**EIGHTH GRADE  
EXERCISES ON NEXT  
THURS. AFTERNOON**

Grade Schools Close Season's Work Next Friday for Summer Vacation.

The graduation exercises of the eighth grade of the Downers Grove schools will be held next Thursday afternoon, May 26th, in the high school assembly hall. The other grades will be closed for the afternoon and the public is invited to attend.

Next Friday, May 27th is the last day of school for the grade children and then starts the summer vacation. This, under the leadership of Superintendent of Schools Kenneth M. Snapp, has been one of the best years in the history of the local schools. The faculty has worked hard and there has been that co-operation between parents and the school authorities which is so essential to progress.

**MATHILDA PETERSON**

Mrs. Mathilda Peterson, 82 years old, passed away at the home of her son, Victor, in Oakwood avenue, Monday evening, May 26th, after an illness which extended over a year. Funeral services were held from the home at 2:00 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, the Rev. Gilbert H. Newland, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, officiating. Burial was at the West Side cemetery.

Mrs. Peterson was born in Eksjo, Sweden, October 15, 1838. She was married to I. Peterson in 1863 and with her son came to America in 1883. Coming to Chicago she united immediately with the First Swedish M. E. church of Chicago and has ever tried to follow in the footsteps of the Master among her last words being, "Dear Jesus, I am coming."

Mrs. Peterson came to Downers Grove about five years ago and has since resided with her son, who with his wife and three children are left to mourn the loss of a dear one.

**RED POPPIES OF  
FLANDERS FIELD  
OFFICIAL FLOWER**

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is the committing to memory of the preamble to the Constitution of the American Legion. It is printed below. The officers of the local chapter ask the members to clip it out and learn it during the next few months.

**Preamble to the Constitution.**

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**MACCABEES GIVE  
ANNUAL DINNER TO  
G. A. R. MAY 30TH**

Local Pastors and Wives Also Invited to the Congregational Church at Noon.

The local Review, Woman's Benefit Association of the Maccabees, will

give a dinner to all local members of the G. A. R., their wives and to the widows of old soldiers in the parlors of the Congregational Church, Memorial Day, May 30th. Dinner will be served at noon and a cordial invitation is extended this year to all pastors of local churches and their wives.

This is an annual event and one which is greatly appreciated by the veterans of the Civil War.

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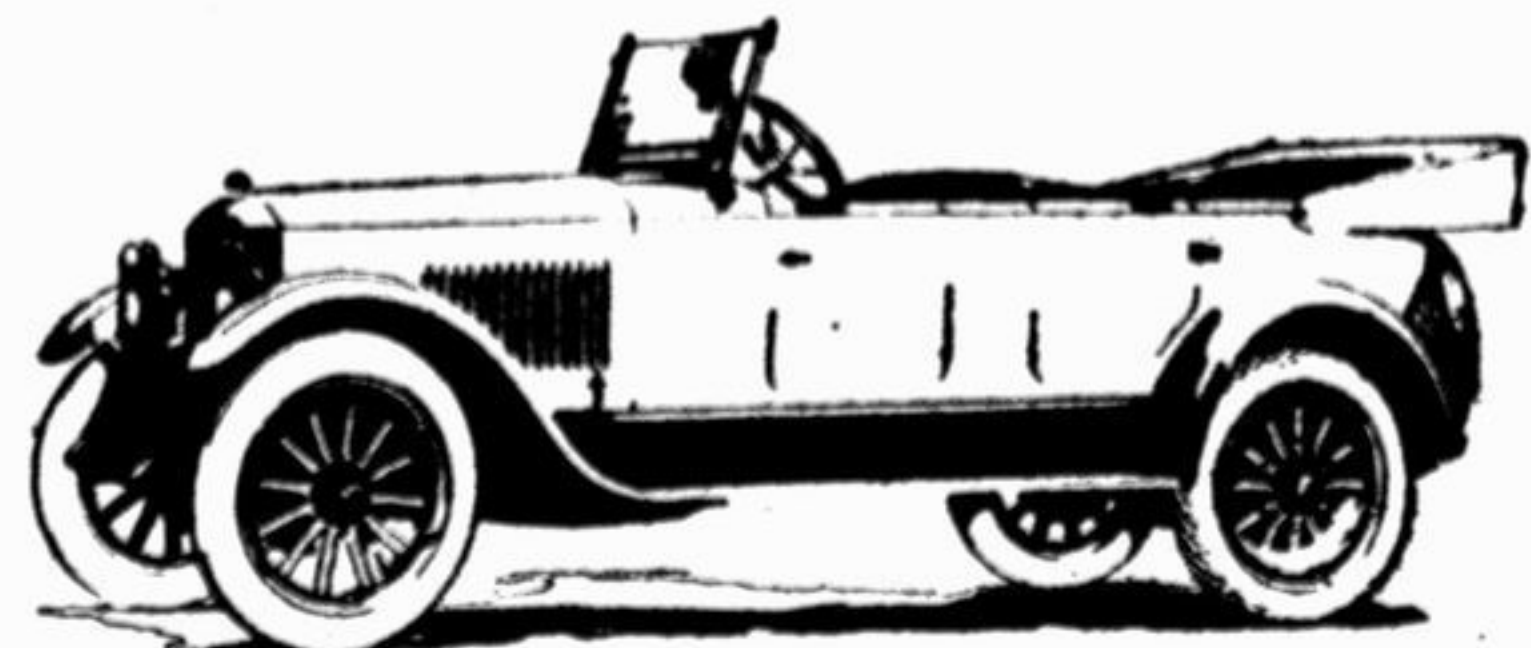
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