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ASK WITHDRAWAL OF WESTMONT ANNEXATION PETITION

Westmont Civic Club Took Action at Meeting of Residents on Wednesday Evening.

A request will be made to the Village Council within the next few days that the petition presented that body for the annexation of the Westmont territory to Downers Grove be withdrawn. This action is forecasted from the results of a meeting of the Westmont Civic Club held Wednesday evening at the Garibaldi Inn there.

This new organization of people who actually reside in Westmont, and we believe it includes a representative of every family there, was originally formed for the purpose of fighting annexation of that territory to the village. They are sincere in their desire not to contribute to Downers Grove.

Mr. McIntosh, head of the real estate firm which is subdividing the property, was present and made a short talk. He re-affirmed his interest in Westmont and told the people that if it was their desire not to be annexed to the village that he would use his influence to have the petition withdrawn. He assured them that every promise made by his firm would be carried out to the letter and that they need not have any fear of himself or any of his agents "flipping anything over on them" as had been reported.

Mr. McIntosh went on to say that the lots which have been sold there with a guarantee of water would be furnished as quickly as possible. He answered every question put to him in a straightforward manner and apparently was desirous of satisfying those who are actually residents of the embryo village.

At the close of the meeting a vote was taken of those who desired the petition to be withdrawn if possible. There was not a dissenting voice. With this illustration of how the people feel they were assured that the petition would be withdrawn.

MRS. W. J. O'NEILL HEADS THE PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Exhibit of Student's Work Enjoyed at Annual Meeting Last Thursday Evening.

Mrs. W. J. O'Neill was elected as president of the Downers Grove Parent-Teacher Association at their annual meeting last Thursday evening, succeeding Stanley J. Brown.

The other officers elected were: Samuel Vernon, Vice Pres.; Miss Lucia Morse, Vice Pres.; Mrs. M. E. Coleman, Secretary; Mr. Emil Matson, Treasurer; Miss Morse is also chairman of the Program Committee and with her co-workers is already preparing for a program of unusual excellency for the next season. With the annual meeting the Association adjourns until just before the opening of school again in the fall.

Those present at the meeting enjoyed an exhibit of the work of the students of the grade and high school. There were on exhibition products of the manual training classes, the sewing and art work accomplished in the schools during the term.

Perhaps of most interest to both the women and the men were the articles of furniture made in the manual training classes. There were piano benches, library tables, chairs and other furniture besides many smaller pieces all showing the unmistakable mark of true craftsmanship.

Many were the favorable comments heard from all sides on the excellent showing of the students in all departments.

Mrs. Prince read a very entertaining and instructive report on her at-

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the Philathea Class of the M. E. Church for their floral offerings at the funeral of our mother.

Mrs. Havlick and Sisters.

SANITARY DISTRICT IS ORGANIZED—WM. BENDER PRESIDENT

Trustees Busy With Plans for New Sewage Disposal Plant Near Belmont.

The newly created Downers Grove Sanitary District was organized last Friday evening at a meeting in the office of Attorney G. H. Bunge.

First order of business was the fixing of the terms of the trustees appointed by the County Court. Lots were drawn and B. E. Balezynski drew the one year term; Wm. Bender, the two and D. Harry Jenkins, three. Mr. Bender was chosen as president of the district and Mr. Jenkins as secretary, the regular meeting being fixed for the third Tuesday of each month.

The trustees are now getting plans and estimates for a new sewage disposal plant to be erected near Belmont. They must also appoint an attorney and a treasurer for the district in the near future. As soon as these plans are ready they will be submitted to the County Court and an election will be called for the purpose of authorizing the issuance of bonds to pay for the new construction.

CLASS OF 1921 INITIATED INTO ALUMNI ASS'N.

Classes Put on "Stunts" at Pretty Party at Library Hall on Tuesday Evening.

One of the most enjoyable affairs given in the village in a long while was the Downers Grove High School Alumni Association's reception to the Class of 1921.

Representatives from classes since 1887 were present and enjoyed the gaieties of the evening.

Howard P. Jones, '90, was master of ceremonies. He called on each class to do a "stunt" as the dates were read. Most of the classes being rather poorly represented, were unable to comply with the request and these were marched around the room by guards with sharp pointed spears.

The class of 1912 in the words of one of them, "tripped the berries" with their stunt. They put on a school house farce which was a big laugh from the time they came in singing their juvenal school song until the close. Jay Ait-on as "teacher" was the recipient of various bouquets of "flowers" and called on his scholars for speaking and singing. It was some stunt and was received with much laughter and applause.

The class of 1920 were not far behind. They busied the May Fete given a few weeks ago by the local schools on the north side grounds. This beautiful pageant was given in a way which reflects credit on the class. The grotesque dancing and postures, the motions and facial grimaces were wonderfully humorous.

Following the stunts the class of 1921 was initiated with many a laugh into the Alumni Association. The serious part came when they took the obligation to "stand by the school, always act for its best interests, etc., etc."

As a fitting close to the evening an informal dance with much noise made by toy balloons with squawkers, was enjoyed. Punch and wafers were plentiful and in spite of the heat the party was the most successful yet given by the Alumni Association.

TRY A REPORTER CLASSIFIED

We have convinced many skeptical people of the worth of the Reporter as a classified medium. Constant testimonials from those who use these little business gettys has made it apparent that this column is one of the best read in the entire paper. The reason is that the American people as a whole are constant readers of the classifieds, and Downers Grove people are no exception. If you have anything to sell; if you want to buy anything; if you are looking for help or for work; if you do fancy work at home and many other things; you should use Reporter Classified ads. They bring results.

TRY A CLASSIFIED NEXT WEEK.

TO OUR HEROES BRAVE



Poppies for Memorial Day

The American Legion has chosen the Poppy of Flanders Fields as the Memorial Flower to be worn on civilian clothing or uniform on Memorial Day, May 30th.

It has been requested that the emblem be not commercialized, therefore the flowers are being made in the very place where our buddies fought and won—and where so many sleep.

We are encouraging the civilian population to wear the crimson poppy. By so honoring our buddies we honor our lives and it will bring

sharply to our minds the sacrifice our buddies made.

Wear a crimson poppy on Memorial Day. All money derived from the sale of the poppies is to go to the relief of French children in the devastated regions of northern France.

These poppies are being sold thru the Auxiliary of the American Legion and may be purchased for ten, fifteen and twenty-five cents at Nash Grocery, Puffer Pharmacy or from Mrs. Lee Biedeman, 52 Highland ave., or Mrs. George Stager, 150 Maple avenue.

"RECOGNITION" 8TH GRADE EXERCISES YESTERDAY

Large Class Graduates From Grammar School—Nearly All to Enter High.

A large class graduated from the eighth grade of the local schools yesterday afternoon when "Recognition" exercises were held in the High School Assembly Hall at 2:30. The auditorium was comfortably filled with the friends and relatives of the graduates who greatly enjoyed the following program:

Professional.....Maude Haller
Invocation.....Rev. G. Newland
Selection.....Grade Orchestra
Chorus.....Eighth Grade
Class History.....Hazel Heardt
Solo.....Clara Rogers
Address.....Rev. J. Nanson
Class Song—Words by Grace Bailey
Presentation of Prizes, Mrs. Hannum
Regent of D. A. R.
Selection.....Orchestra
Presentation of Diplomas, Mr. Snapp
Benediction

Special efforts have been made this year to interest those who are graduating from the grades in the high school courses. That this has born fruit is easily seen as the entire class, with very few exceptions, have expressed themselves as prepared to enroll next fall in the Freshman class of the high school. The faculty of the high school has taken a greater interest in the grades which has pleased the children, their parents and all who have the welfare of the schools at heart.

Those who graduated from the 8th grade yesterday afternoon were:

Robert Andrus Marion Wheeler

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NAPERVILLE BIDS ADIEU TO PROF. & MRS. BOWMAN

County Supt. at Schools and Mayor of Naperville Presented Guest of Silver.

In spite of the threatening storm, a goodly number of friends and neighbors of Mayor and Mrs. Chas. B. Bowman gathered at the high school auditorium at Naperville last Tuesday night to bid farewell to them and wish them success as they go to their new field of endeavor.

A number of great talks were given under the direction of Charles L. Schwartz and emphasized the fact that Mr. Bowman has done a real service for Naperville and DuPage County during his eleven years residence here.

Dean G. J. King of Northwestern College, traced Mr. Bowman's career around the globe—starting with his entrance into the Christian ministry, then thru professorship as mayor, County Supt. of Schools; and again his re-entry in the ministry.

During the program the Seminary Quartet delighted the audience with old songs, which are ever new.

I. O. O. F. MEMORIAL SERVICES AT S. ANDREWS JUNE 5

Local Odd Fellows and Rebekahs Invited to Special Services Sunday Afternoon.

Downers Grove Lodge No. 750, I. O. O. F., and Bluebird Rebekah Lodge No. 247, have been invited by the Rev. Hugh M. MacWhorter to hold their Annual Memorial Services at S. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Sunday, June fifth, at 3:00 p. m.

The Rev. MacWhorter has arranged a special program and sermon for the afternoon. Heretofore it has been held in conjunction with the regular morning services but the lodge has grown so and with the addition of the new Rebekah Lodge it has been deemed advisable to hold special services in the afternoon.

The lodge members will meet at the Hall, Main and Curtiss streets, at 2:30 p. m. and march to the church in a body. As this is quite an event every year it is expected that the entire membership of the two lodges will be in line.

The program has not been completed to date but a detailed program will be printed next week. There will be a speaker, either local or from the outside, and several musical numbers, probably by local talent.

FINANCIAL REPORT ON MUSICAL EXTENSION SERIES

Public Library and Fire Truck Fund Benefit From Entertainment Course Last Winter.

The committee in charge of the Musical Extension series which was enjoyed so greatly by Downers Grove last winter and this spring have announced a financial report as follows:

Receipts	
Congregational Church	\$126.25
Methodist Church	157.25
Baptist Church	61.25
St. Joseph's Church	70.50
St. Paul's Church	18.00
S. Andrew's Church	24.00
American Legion	23.25
J. Alfred Nansen	2.00
First National Bank	26.00
Farmers & Merchants Bank	16.00
Receipts at door	128.50

Disbursements	
Talent	\$390.00
M. W. Mills	1.25
Tuning Piano	4.00
C. H. Dicke, for rent	80.00

On Hand	
Cash	\$ 38.00
In Bank	129.75

Besides this there has been no return from the First Evangelical Church and this amount will total about \$60.00. Then there is a balance due the talent of \$65.00. This will leave a profit of a little over \$17.00.

The committee in charge, M. W. Mills, Chairman; O. B. Plumley, Treasurer and Robert Carpenter, Secretary, have been given instructions to close out the monies on hand. They have decided to split the profits from the venture fifty-fifty between the Public Library and the Fire Truck Fund.

The same committee has been appointed to handle the musical series next year. There will be a course of four numbers and efforts will be made to secure the very best talent available, even better than the first one, if this is possible.

READ THE ADS—BUY AT HOME

Through reading the Reporter, Downers Grove people are finding out every week where they can save money. A careful perusal of the display advertisements of the local merchants will convince anyone that it is just as cheap (and oft times cheaper) to buy your groceries, meats, dry goods, etc., etc., right here in Downers Grove. Besides this there is the convenience of trading here. Just a little walk and you are down town. No riding in hot, stuffy trains. No waiting weeks for a mail order to reach you and then find the goods not up to the beautiful pictures in the catalog. Get the real worth of your money.

READ REPORTER ADS AND BUY AT HOME.

DOWNERS GROVE HONORS SOLDIER DEAD ON MONDAY

Parade and Program in Afternoon to Draw Crowds to the Village.

Plans for the observance of Memorial Day are practically complete. Having charge of the program is the local post of the American Legion and they are working hard to make the day a success.

Many local organizations will participate in the parade in the afternoon. The Suburban Band, many of whose members live in the village, has been engaged for the afternoon and they will furnish the music for the marchers.

Those who have been asked to be in line for the parade are:

The school children,
Woman's Auxiliary of the American Legion.

Grand Army of the Republic,
Ex-Service Men of the World War,
Spanish-American Veterans,
Daughters of the American Revolution.

The Veterans of Co. H, I. R. M.,
Downers Grove Camp Fire Girls,
Downers Grove Boy Scouts,
Downers Grove Fire Department.

All of these organizations, with the exception of the veterans of the World War will meet at the high school building at 1:00 o'clock. They will be formed by two members of the Legion assigned to that duty. At the same hour the ex-service men and the band will meet at the Legion rooms, Belmont and Forest avenues. Here they will form and march to Main and Warren streets where the colors and the service flag will be raised.

Marching to the high school the ex-gobs, leathernecks and doughboys will join the rest of the paraders for the start. The route of the parade will be from the school to Main street, north to Curtiss, west on Curtiss to Forest, north to Franklin, east on Franklin to Main and south on Main (Continued on Page 4)

MASONS TO PLAY "INDOOR OUTDOOR" MEMORIAL MORN

Blue Lodge Vs. Royal Arch is Program—Suggest Collection for Fire Truck Fund.

Memorial Day morning will see one of the most exciting baseball games of the season at Memorial Park when the nine of the "Blue" lodge and the Royal Arch Masons get together. "Indoor-outdoor" will be played and spectators will have more than a little enjoyment. John Holby has been watching the actions of Bill Dexter Sundays so that he could see how an umpire works.

Yes, Mr. Holby is to be the arbitrator and is even now swinging Indian clubs so that he may be in condition to enforce his decisions. This, alone, should be worth more than the price of admission, as the showmen say.

The baseball game comes as a natural sequence to a bowling match last winter when the Chapter challenged and was defeated.

Baseball stars such as John Mochel, Charlie Knoblauch, Mel Binder, Frank Dewey, Art Iehl, Dennis Jenkins, and Emory Klein, will be in the line-up of the teams. So many a desire to play that present plans call for a succession of players. Those who make errors will be joked by the managers and others substituted. It is expected that each team will use at least twenty men if this idea is carried out.

The popularity of the teams will more than likely draw a large crowd of fans and fanettes and it is suggested that the hat be passed and the proceeds turned over to the fire truck fund.

BEG YOUR PARDON

In the advertisement of the Kidwell Garage Co., last week, the size of the oversize tires, now regular equipment on Dodge Bros., cars, was given as 34x4. This should have read 33x4. It was our mistake.