

IN AND AROUND THE HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. E. C. Wolcott spoke to the boys of the high school last Tuesday. Mr. Wolcott was one of the chief speakers at the Illinois State Older Boys' Conference and was the big speaker at the County Conference at Hinsdale. The high school is indebted to the H. Y. club and Mr. Phelps for securing Mr. Wolcott to speak to the assembly.

Bob Wolf (In Mod. Hist.) "There were 5,000 Christian Chinamen, 2,000 were killed and the rest were inverted."

A. B. (In Mod. Hist.) "Weren't there two inventions in China in the 12th century the sewing machine and gunpowder?"

Kuemeyer: "He forgot Waterman's Ideal Fountain Pen."

Found on a Frosh's English paper: "While the storekeeper went to the back of the store after a pair of shoes, the thief got into the cash register."

D. P. "I'll never forget the time I drank half a bottle of Lysol."

R. S. "Didn't you croak?"

D. P. "No, I turned over."

Mrs. Todd: "How many syllables in this word, Russell?"

Russ Stephens: "Three cylinders."

Mrs. Todd: "Translate 'our mons turrem'."

Student: "Why does the mountain tower?"

A Senior told a Frosh to get him a book. Of course the Frosh got the wrong one. Senior: "Next time I tell a fool to do something, I'll do it myself."

The results of last week joke contest are as follows:

Class	Per sense of humor
Freshman	18.4
Sophomore	10.3
Junior	32.2
Senior	65.6
Faculty	18.2

EMIL W. OTTO

Funeral services were held last Sunday for Emil W. Otto from his home in East Maple avenue and interment made in Hodge's cemetery west of the village. The Rev. G. H. Newland, of the M. E. church, officiated at the home and his masonic brethren gave the last rites at the grave.

Mr and Mrs. A. G. Michel and Mr and Mrs. M. E. Coleman sang a beautiful quartette number.

Emil William Otto was born at Mendota, Ill., April 12, 1857 and died here last Thursday, March 16, aged 64 years, 11 months and 4 days.

He had been in apparent good health until within about four hours of his death, although he had had a stroke of apoplexy about a year ago but had fully recovered from its effects. The exact cause of his death is not known.

His father, Charles Otto, and his mother, Caroline Muegge, were both natives of Germany.

On February 13, 1884, he was married to Alice Jane Dudgeon of Mendota, Ill., who survives him. Three sons, Edgar D. Otto and Walter S. Otto, of Downers Grove, and Samuel G. Otto, of Melrose Park, two grandsons, Richard and Warren Otto, one brother, Louis, of Lohrville, Ia., and two sisters, Mrs. Nellie Dowling, of Lake City, Ia., and Mrs. Louise Jacoby, of Lussland, Sask., Canada, also mourn his loss.

Mr. Otto followed farming at the time of his marriage and until 1888 when he entered the employ of the C. B. & Q. R. R. as a telegraph operator. In 1893 he went into the train service for the same company and remained in its employ until his death.

Coming to Downers Grove in February, 1891, he has resided in this community ever since where his genial disposition has made him many warm friends.

He was a member of Grove Lodge, No. 824, A. F. & A. M., and of Grove Chapter, Royal Arch Masons.

NEWS OF ALPHA SIGMA BETA BOYS

Tuesday, March 14 a special meeting was held for the express purpose of pledging Messrs Harold Grumhaus, Karl Kellogg and Frank Waples into the Alpha Sigma Beta fraternity. Latest reports show that they are good shoe shiners, skilled car washers and very proficient valets.

Regarding the use of the American Legion rooms, Dan Diener, Post Commander, advises that we may have the use of the rooms twice each month. This will be a considerable help to the fraternity inasmuch as we will have a regular gathering place.

On April 8th we expect to have one of the best dances of the season. Tickets will be distributed to each member and pledge who in turn will dispose of them to their friends.

Every member is urged to be there.

O'NEILL CAMPAIGN CLUB ORGANIZED LAST SATURDAY

The Lottie Holman O'Neill Campaign Committee was organized last Saturday evening at a meeting in the G. A. R. hall at Main and Curtiss streets.

Officers of the committee were chosen as follows:

Mrs. Elisha Morgan—Chairman.
Miss Charlotte Krum—Treasurer.
Mrs. E. H. Huntington—Secretary.

Precinct Captains:
Mrs. E. Morgan—1st Ward.
Mrs. E. Fisher—2d Ward.
Mrs. M. H. Prince—3d Ward.
Mrs. E. G. Lemon—4th Ward.

Plans are being perfected for a house-to-house canvass of the village in order to roll up a big majority for Mrs. O'Neill in Downers Grove.

All of DuPage County is warming up to Mrs. O'Neill as the DuPage County Candidate. A drive is to be made to "plump" all three votes for her and if this word can be spread, and there is no reason why it should not, her nomination is assured. With DuPage County behind her as a unit, and the split-up there is bound to be in Will County because of the many candidates, the result is certain.

TO THE TAX PAYERS OF DU PAGE COUNTY

The tax payer is the burden bearer, he is the individual that has to foot the bills, he is the beginning to think that he's the proverbial "goat." He is the one who rightfully having most to say generally says the least.

He is becoming educated to the fact that he should awake and assert himself and the recent "pink slips" passed around have brought a greater number of his class to the point of assertion than ever before in the history of DuPage County.

Wild Goose Chases
The taxpayers of this county will do well to consider whether they want to employ some means of preventing their hard earned money from being spent on wild goose chases of county officials across the continent.

Would they not rather have officials who will sensibly co-ordinate their duties so that needless trips and expenses will not be incurred—in other words put their county affairs on an efficiency basis.

Money from Estates
When estates are settled and there is money large or small rightfully due the public treasury, doesn't the tax payer want to make sure that every

cent will be paid into his treasury, rather than possibly slipped into the pockets of selfish interests or selfish individuals.

We believe the tax payers want to see officials put into office that are pledged to efficiency—pledged to conserve every cent of money in the most prudent manner—pledged against special privileges to special interest or friends.

Treasurer's Funds
We believe the tax payer would prefer to see his money offered under proper safeguards to the best banks of his county on a competitive bid basis, which would better assure earning the highest rate of interest on the deposit money.

Candidates Pledges
The tax payer has a right to ask pledges on matters so vital as these, and should exercise care to see that the candidate who wins his support has openly and frankly subscribed to such pledges.

The type of official most highly desired is the one that will have the tax payers interests honestly and constantly at heart—officials that recognize unjust tax burdens—officials that will seek a means of relief, point the way to the tax payer, and enlist his support in attaining the results desired.

Three Candidates
There are three candidates in the field who have openly and frankly pledged themselves to just such principles of efficiency if elected by the majority, April 11th.

Their pledges are being ridiculed and every means is being used by the "ringer" to throw as much discredit as possible on the fair, fearless stand they have taken, but we know that it is just such type of men that the thinking tax payer is looking for and if the tax burden has made a deep enough impression, that DuPage county will learn on April 11th that at last the citizen who bears the burden has "got up on his hind legs" and delivered an unmistakable blow for efficiency, impartiality and fairness in the administration of his county's affairs.

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