

COMMUNICATION ABOUT SCHOOLS

Downers Grove, Ill., Sept. 30, 1922. Editor, Downers Grove Reporter.

Dear Sir: You are to be heartily congratulated on your editorial headed "Our School Condition" which appeared in your columns in the issue of September 29. You have not only expressed the feelings of all those who really love this dear old town but you exposed to them some facts which I believe are new to most minds and should rouse, from the deep slumber which the dormant minds of the village have been enjoying, to a renewed spirit of alertness and hitherto cob-webbed viewpoint of let the other fellow shoulder the burden. Your article has proven and straightforwardly shown that the time for a united action has come and that we must all shoulder the responsibility and turn the great faculties of inertia from its properties of lying in an inactive state to its greater property of never stopping. We, who are alumni of this dear old school are slowly beginning to lose that pride and the prestige that was rightly ours at one time and we feel that we are slipping into a period of obscurity from which we will ascend when the day dawns that finds our future business men and housewives enjoying the full privileges that the times accord. We are all aware of the fact that the greatest asset to any town large or small is an educational system that ranks with the highest and that will place the young blood of our town on a par with the cream of the land and give them that equal right of facing the future unabashed and fully equipped to meet all the demands that a successful life will ask for. On our village extremities we see a sign declaring to the world that "Downers Grove is a good place to live" but is it? Emphatically it is not until the educational program of the town we are proud to be residents of is of such a caliber that not state inspector can find fault with nor any prospective resident point to the schools with a condemning finger and say that their child is worthier of a better school than ours while we shamefully admit that our school system is not of the best. Other towns can do it and thusly we arrive at the conclusion that Downers Grove is as capable if not more so than any other to handle a problem so vital to growth and welfare of so well known and loved community as the one we call our home. Why not shake off a few cobwebs, throw a few of the wordy actions to the winds and grab a hammer and begin to build for our youths a future that is none too good for the worst of them. Let me hurl, through this article, to the numerous dead alumni of the high school a challenge to form their ranks anew and lead in the parade for better school systems. That old adage still holds that united we stand, divided we fall; so let's hop to it alumni and get busy by unloosening a few of those long slumbering thoughts. An Alumnus.

Warning! As a motorist, we desire to voice the indignation of all other motorists and to say that if these pedestrians don't quit walking into our cars and bending the bumpers all up, we'll start a national movement to make it a misdemeanor to cross the street. Personally, we haven't hit any one yet, but we feel it coming on.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Many Needed to Save State. To be a voice outside the state, speaking to mankind or to the future, perhaps shaking the actual state to pieces in doing so, one man will suffice. But to reform the state in order to save it, to preserve it by changing it, a body of workers is needed as well as a leader—a considerable body of workers, placed at many points, and operating in many directions.—Matthew Arnold.

To Preserve Sandstone. To preserve sandstone against decay, two methods have been suggested that have proved effective. If a piece of rotten sandstone is treated with certain chemical compounds of alcohol and silica and then exposed to moist air, the silica is deposited and forms a protective cement coating. Linewash has also been found very effective for the same purpose.—Popular Science Magazine.

Contributed Verse. There's joy in the smile of an artless child; there's joy in a maiden's eyes; there's joy in the spring when the songbirds sing, there's joy in a lover's sighs. But such joys all pale and easily fail to compare with the joyous thrill of the woman who knows that her new spring clothes gives her rival a nervous chill.—Boston Transcript.

Ideals Must Be Put to Use. It's a fine thing to produce an ideal. It's worse than folly to develop it mentally and let it die there. Ideals to be known must be made tangible. If they remain creatures of our own brains they may help us some, but not much. To be of worth they must become inspirations to others.—Grit.

MAJORITY OF HIGH SCHOOL BOYS WANT DANCING AT SCHOOL

84 Out of 126 Ask For Dancing, and 39 Would Like to Learn—50 Can Now "Step."

Eighty-four of the 126 boys in high school prefer dancing at the social functions given at or by the classes, the balance expressed no desire to either have dancing or not have it. Fifty boys said they could dance and thirty-nine said they would like to learn. These figures were obtained by the school authorities yesterday afternoon at the request of the Parent-Teacher Association. The association is planning a series of parties for the students of the high school and wanted to be sure of the ground they were standing on before making any definite arrangements. From these statistics it seems as if the majority of the boys, at least, of high school age are interested in dancing.

Decide the Best You Can. That person who insists upon seeing with perfect clearness before making a decision never does decide.

REV. MacWHORTER CELEBRATES FIFTH ANNIVERSARY HERE

Pastor of S. Andrew's Church Has Been Very Successful With Work in Local Church.

The Rev. Hugh M. MacWhorter celebrated the fifth anniversary of his taking charge of S. Andrew's Episcopal church last Sunday, October 1. He is a graduate of Hobart College, Geneva, N. Y., and of the Western Theological Seminary, Chicago. He was formerly assistant priest at the Church of the Atonement. On June 13 last the church celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of its organization by the opening of a fine new rectory adjoining the church. Mr. MacWhorter is also an active member of the Theta Delta Chi college fraternity, the University Club of Chicago, a Mason, and prominent as an alumnus of his college and seminary. He has been successful in his work here.

The first home football game of the season will be played on the new field between Rogers street and the railroad tracks Saturday afternoon. D. G. H. S. and the York Community high school will initiate the field.

A NEW "STREET LIGHT" IN EAST PARKWAY AVE.

Henry Dicke Lights Gas Escaping From Pipe and Has Free Illumination.

Henry Dicke has his own private "street light" in the parkway of his home in East Parkway. An exposed gas pipe has been leaking all summer, much to the discomfort of the Dicke family, especially when the wind was in the west and blew the gas fumes into the bedroom window. Several times he has reported the leak to the local gas office with no results.

Several weeks ago, tiring of the odor, Mr. Dicke lighted the gas and now has constant, free illumination in front of his home. He is thinking of writing a letter to the gas company asking permission to pipe the gas to his stove and thus put a practical use to gas that is going to waste, and, incidentally cut down his gas bills.

Canada's Splendid Water Power. Canada is said to possess nearly half the water power of the world.

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