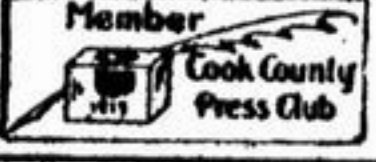


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SCHOOLS—AND PROPERTY VALUES

A majority of the residents of Downers Grove either own their own homes, are paying for them or are thinking of buying. We are a community of home owners. Having in our possession a small share of the earth, we are, naturally, interested in seeing the value of that property increase. If anything should happen in the community to make it decrease in value, the home owner should be the first to forestall it if possible. There is only one thing which regulates property values — the law of supply and demand.

Just for the purpose of a little speculation, take our school situation in District 58. Supposing that it became necessary that the high school be closed for a year or two, or that the four year course be materially altered. Would this affect the value of your property here or in the vicinity, farms, residences or business property?

We will answer that question with a most emphatic "YES." People with children in the high school and who own their home, will at once think of selling out and moving to a community which supports a real high school. This would be the natural, the inevitable, the first thing about which fifty percent of them would think. Other people, from other communities attracted here by lowered property values and seeking the reason, would not buy when they were informed that this community could not support a high school. They also have boys and girls either in high school or prospective high school students.

There is absolutely no question that a good school is as necessary to maintain property values as electric light, municipal improvements, the churches and the other things which go into the lives of the people today. And this applies with equal force to the farm land in the vicinity of this community as it does to residence and business property within its corporate limits.

DOES DU PAGE COUNTY WANT IMPROVED HIGHWAYS?

For several months this question has been bothering the Board of Supervisors. They were willing to go ahead with a hard road bond issue such as The Reporter has been advocating for more than a year, if the people were willing. That they are was amply demonstrated at the hard road meeting at Wheaton last Friday night.

Although there is an aversion to the issuing of bonds, States Attorney Reed struck the keynote when he said: "We want to ride on the hard roads of DuPage county now, not fix it so that our children or our children's children get the benefit." We believe that this territory will vote almost 100 per cent in favor of the bond issue. People who do not own cars now—days are continually riding with people who do and every one almost to the last man, wants and is willing to pay for a system of hard highways. There is some talk that all the roads should be paved with concrete but this is almost an impossibility. The limit bond issue will pave all county roads now with the bituminous macadam type of surface and some concrete. If we use this money to build only of concrete we get a third of the mileage and the balance we wait for. With proper maintenance, the less costly type of hard road will be amply sufficient for nearly 95 per cent of the state aid roads. The beauty about it is we get them so we can enjoy them and they can be used in any and all kinds of weather.

The Reporter is for hard roads and always has been. It is for the proposed bond issue, believing it to be for the best interests of a majority of the people and hopes that every one of its readers will work for the issue when it is placed before the voters.

GARBAGE COLLECTION

The following letter will be of interest to many people in the village who are in hopes that a municipal garbage collection scheme will be worked out for Downers Grove.

"Editor Reporter—I read your article last week on the garbage situation and am enclosing an article on 'Rats and Garbage,' by Dr. Evans in

the Chicago Tribune. "We just moved here from Hinsdale and you have no idea how horrible this garbage situation is to a newcomer. In the rear of this building is a large open pit where the garbage from four families has been dumped for some time. Fine for the rats. At night the building abounds with them.

"Is there no one in the village that can put this matter to a vote? Other villages have solved this 'vital to our health' problem, why not ours?" "I have asked some of the older residents about the garbage and they said 'We've done this way for forty years and are still living.' Signs of progress?"

The article told how rats spread disease of various kinds and how they are attracted by garbage disposal methods such as we have here. Unquestionably the residents of this community are desirous of having the municipality install a garbage collection system. When the question was agitated last spring, the village council said it could not be done at that time. The demand for garbage collection is growing, we believe that enough people would gladly pay a small sum each week and that the village could have it done in a way that would make it self supporting.

A CORRECTION

Joseph Banks, who was driving the truck which L. E. Jones smashed into on the Plank road last week, is certain he gave a hand signal as he was about to turn into his driveway. His mother, who was standing in the window watching for him, distinctly remembers seeing him signal that he was about to turn. He says he heard no warning signal from the approaching car.

After looking over the ground it seems as if no one was at fault and it was one of these accidents that just seem to be bound to happen about every so often.

TWO LOCAL WOMEN ATTEND FLOATING ART CONFERENCES

Mrs. H. S. Paine and Mrs. M. H. Prince Enjoyed River Trip to St. Louis and Back.

The Art Extension committee of the Better Community Movement of which Mrs. Louis Jones is Downers Grove chairman, was represented at the annual conference by Mrs. H. S. Paine and Mrs. M. H. Prince.

The conference this year took the form of a river boat trip and while enjoying a panorama of wooded banks and sandstone cliffs and moonlit nights, art lectures, songs, reports and studies were indulged in.

The conference began at Starved Rock October 1 and ended at Peoria October 6. The southern point was St. Louis.

Lorado Taft, sculptor, chairman of the Art Extension committee, who is not only an asset to Chicago but the whole state as well, is an enthusiast on the mission of the beautiful. He would preserve our natural beauties, historical landmarks and traditions, and he would environ our cities and rural communities with the arts, creating in youth a knowledge and appreciation of beauty in every form.

Dr. Hieronymus, community advisor of the University of Illinois was chairman of the conference. He is scheduled to speak before the Woman's Club October 25 on the subject of the "City Beautiful."

The Rev. J. A. Nansen and the Rev. J. C. Nansen attended the funeral services of their aunt, Mrs. Marshall Austin who passed on from the scenes of this world at her residence in South Normal Boulevard, Chicago, last Monday.

VESTA CHAPTER OBSERVED ALLIE L. WHITE NIGHT

Good Attendance at Eastern Star Meeting Tuesday in Spite of Inclement Weather.

Fitting ceremonies marked the annual observance of Allie L. White night by Vesta Chapter Tuesday evening. Mrs. White is a Past Matron of Vesta Chapter, a Grand Lecturer of the Order and well known in Eastern Star circles in the state. Her invaluable aid has made the local chapter one of the best regarding work in the vicinity.

Mrs. White acted as Worthy Matron Tuesday the other chairs being filled by Matrons of chapters in this vicinity and the initiation ceremonies were carried through in fine style. At the close Mrs. White was the recipient of presents from the chapter and from the Vesta Juniors.

The program for the evening was given by Miss Gwen Griffiths, local soloist and Edna Louise Fitch, of Chicago, who entertained with two delightful readings.

A report of the festival was given by Mrs. J. R. Foster who took great pleasure in announcing that \$1,000 had been cleared by the affair. This money will be used for the new Masonic Temple.

Light refreshments closed a very pleasant evening.

The next meeting of the Philathea class of the Congregational church will be held Wednesday, October 18. It will be an all day affair for sewing and will be held in the parlors of the church. Members are requested to bring something for the luncheon at noon.

COUPON BOOKS SOLD AT "PEP" SESSION FRIDAY

Coupons Good for Part Admissions to All Local H. S. Athletic Contests

Chairs and songs were on tap at Main and Curtiss streets last Friday night at the annual "pep session" to open the high school athletic season. Quite a number of coupon books were sold and enthusiasm aroused for the football team. These coupons are good for five cents on the admission price to local athletic contests for the 1922-23 season.

Coach Reeve, Superintendent Reed,

Principal Vernon did the speaking for the faculty and A. C. Miskelly and the Rev. A. S. Phelps for the village.

Either because or in spite of the pep-session, the locals lost to the York Community High School in the first game on the new gridiron last Saturday. The final score, 20 to 0 gives an indication that the locals were slightly off form. Due to injuries several of the first string men were unable to play.

Tomorrow afternoon D. G. H. S. meets the Hinsdale eleven on the latter's field. Hinsdale and Downers split last year, each winning one game. Both teams are anxious to win and a good game is looked for.

The next meeting of the People's Forum will be held in Library Hall, Monday evening, October 23. Program will be announced next week.

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