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WEEKLY EXCHANGES

AS TAKEN FROM THE COLUMNS OF OUR EXCHANGES

ASSORTMENT OF NEWS ITEMS IN CONDENSED FORM FOR BUSY PEOPLE

The Bradley mills at Delavan, Wis., recently provided a "little" extra work for the postoffice employes of that city by mailing out 500,000 catalogues, the postage of which amounted to $5,000.

The second annual Richmond-Burton community fair, held at Richmond recently, proved a big success and as a result the officers feel certain that the fair has now become a permanent institution.

The Business Men's club of Gurnee, Lake county, celebrated the opening of the Grand avenue road under the new viaduct in the center of the town with a free dance and entertainment held at Woodman hall in that village last Friday night.

Cassius E. Hillyer, Harvard resident and who has served the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad company for a period of more than forty years, retired from active service with that company on Oct. 1. At the time of his retirement he was acting as agent at Sheboygan, Wis.

The Barrington Hills Country club of Barrington last Thursday filed a mortgage for $350,000 in favor of the Chicago Title and Trust company in the recorder's office at Waukegan. The mortgage was given to raise money for retiring bonds. The club's holdings at Barrington consist of about 175 acres.

Leave was given in the Lake county court at Waukegan on Wednesday of last week to withdraw the special assessment roll in the proposed paving imppovement of Main street, Wauconda. It was planned to pave this street in the residence section and also to widen the present paving in the business section, but there was so much objection that the roll was withdrawn.

The morning passenger train on the Kenosha division of the C. & N. W. railroad now consists of a combination coach, express and mail car. The coach is divided into two compartments, one of which is used as a smoker and the other for women and those who do not care to ride in the "smoker." Hebron is one of the towns along the route which has to put up with this sort of service.

Robbers practically cleaned out the John Cichy tailor shop at Libertyville early last Friday morning. The loot was evidently carried away in a truck. It is the supposition that the robbery, in which about $2,500 worth of suits, overcoats and other merchandise was stolen, was committed about three o'clock that morning and was not discovered until the proprietor opened up the place of business. Local as well as county officials were immediately notified.

According to figures just published by the Educational Press Bulletin, official organ of the Illinois department of public instruction, the male teachers of Lake county are the highest paid in the state. The average salaries of all teachers in Lake county for 1922-23 was $1,550.83; for 1923-24, it was $1,604.97. The average salary for male teachers in 1923-24 was $2,282.28, while that for the women teachers over the same period was $1,467.39.

The mails for Lake Zurick and Wauconda are again being routed via Barrington. The new arrangement became effective this (Thursday) morning. It has been more than fifteen years since the mail for these two villages has been handled thru the Barrington postoffice. Since the railroad, operating between Wauconda and Palatine, stopped running a few months ago, the mail has been carried via automobile to and from Palatine, which has not been considered very satisfactory, so far as Uncle Sam is concerned. According to the very latest action of the postoffice department, the Washington officials have little hope that the Wauconda railroad will be revived very soon.

The Harvard Independent, established in 1866 and the second oldest paper in McHenry county, has passed from the ownership of Merton J. Emerson to that of Herbert L. Kumpfer and associates of Chicago. Mr. Emerson has been connected with the paper since the days of his apprenticeship to the trade. In 1895 he, with Eugene Saunders, purchased the plant from Otis M. Eastman. Mr. Saunders retired from the newspaper field in 1908, since which time the Independent has been successfully managed and published by Mr. Emerson, Mrs. Emerson, his wife, acting as associate editor during the past sixteen years. Mr. and Mrs. Emerson have worked hard and faithfully over these many years and are richly deserving of the rest that they are about to take. While possession of the Independent has not as yet been given, it is understood that the transfer of the property will be made very shortly. The Plaindealer welcomes the newcomers into the McHenry county field of journalism.

MAY LOSE FAST PASSENGER

LAKE GENEVA AND McHENRY TO PROTEST

Unless a united protest is made by the citizens of this city as well as those residing in other villages and towns along this branch of the Chicago & Northwestern railroad, we stand to lose our one and only real passenger train service between this city and Chicago.

At least this is the information as contained in a letter addressed to the secretary of the McHenry Community club by the Lake Geneva Chamber of Commerce and received by P. M. Justen here the first of the week.

The letter is in the form of an appeal to the members of the McHenry Community club and the citizens in general of the city of McHenry, asking that they lend their support in a united effort of the two cities to induce the Chicago & Northwestern to continue the fast Chicago passenger train which now leaves the McHenry station at 8:33 a. m. and on the return trip from Chicago reaches McHenry at 4:49 p. m.

According to the Lake Geneva Chamber of Commerce, this train is scheduled to be taken from the regular service on Saturday evening, Oct. 25. Removal of this train would leave the patrons of the road but one train to and from Chicago, the milk train, which leaves the McHenry station between six and seven in the morning, and on the return trip arrives here shortly after six in the evening.

In response to the appeal from the Lake Geneva organization, George Bohr, president of the McHenry Community club, has called a meeting of the board of directors of that body for tomorrow (Friday) evening, at which time it is expected that action will be taken which will result in McHenry's co-operation with Lake Geneva in forwarding to the railroad company a protest against the removal of our only REAL train service between this city and Chicago.

It is expected that petitions of protest will be circulated among the citizens and patrons of the railroad company and these, together with similar petitions from Lake Geneva, will be sent to officials of the road at the earliest possible moment. Business men and others of McHenry, this is a serious situation and commands your attention. It's up to everyone to get busy. Start right now, as there is no time to lose if we are to save our Chicago train.

HARRY MORRIS SETS NEW GOLF RECORD

Harry Morris, professional at the McHenry Country club, has succeeded in hanging up a new record for the course. Last Thursday, playing in a foursome composed of D. I. Granger, E. E. Bassett, Fred Justen and himself, he turned in a card showing that he had completed eighteen holes in 75. While he was setting this record, the other three members of the foursome were also doing fine work. Mr. Granger turned in a card of 85; Bassett, 95, and Justen, 97, which once more demonstrated that one can improve their game if they only choose to do so. While McHenry followers of the sport have not as yet hung up any real low scores, some of the members are out there trying at every opportunity afforded them and it looks to us as if at least a few good golfers are now in the making within the circles of the McHenry club.

SOCIAL WHEEL PASSED DELIGHTFUL AFTERNOON

The members of the Social Wheel passed a most delightful few hours as guests of Mrs. Jack Nicholls at her home east of Fox river last Thursday afternoon. Assisting the amiable hostess in entertaining the guests was Miss Mildred Zuelsdorf. The afternoon was passed at the playing of five hundred. Mrs. Clarence Eddy won high honors, Mrs. George Kuhn, second, while consolations went to Mrs. N. H. Petesch and Miss Mildred Zuelsdorf. Refreshments were served at the close of the games. The next meeting of the members will be held at the home of Mrs. George Stevens at Ringwood on Thursday afternoon, Oct. 23.

HALLOWE'EN DANCE OCT. 31

Bear in mind the Hallowe'en dance to be sponsored by the McHenry Park Improvement association and to be held at the K. of C. hall in this city on Friday evening, Oct. 31. The members of this very worthy organization are out to make McHenry's park one of the most beautiful to be found in any city or town and are using this means of creating a fund with which to make possible the fulfillment of the splendid plans for next year's activity. The Fox River Four will furnish the music. Dance tickets, which are selling at $1.00, have already been placed on sale.

BASKET SOCIAL

The pupils of the Cherry Valley school will hold a basket social at the schoolhouse on Thursday evening, Oct. 30. A fine program has been arranged. All are invited.

19-2t Arline Harrison, Teacher.

SURVEY FOR CEMENT

CITY COUNCIL GETTING READY FOR STREET PAVING

WELLS ENGINEERS NOW IN McHENRY MAKING SURVEYS TO PROVIDE COST ESTIMATES

The first preliminary steps which the city council hopes will eventually mean the paving of McHenry's most used streets have been taken.

Surveyors from the office of the Wells Engineering company of Aurora are in McHenry this week, taking a survey of certain streets so that the company may be in a position to prepare estimates and thereby give the city council and property owners something to work on before the advertising for bids and the lettting of contracts.

The Wells Engineering company did the engineering for McHenry's new sewer system and their work has been so satisfactory that the officials of our municipality again saw fit to engage them to do the surveying for the proposed paving improvement.

The streets which are now being surveyed and will probably be the first to come in for paving are Main street, starting at the Northwestern depot, east to the new community high school building; Front street from Main to Waukegan, this includes the block in which is located the Park hotel and Overton garage; Green street, from the new community high school building north to Washington street, at the new St. Patrick's church; Elm street, from Justen's hotel, west to Maple avenue; Riverside Drive, from Justen's hotel, north to the city limits; Washington street, starting at St. Patrick's church east to Riverside Drive.

It is our understanding that petitions, asking that the above named streets or sections of streets be paved, have been circulated and presented to the city council and in answer to these prayers the council engaged the services of the Aurora engineers to make the survey.

Whether or not the proposed improvements will go in at this time will depend largely on the estimated cost. We are told that most of the property owners along Main street are partieularly anxious that the improvement go in. As a matter of fact, the Main street petition was the first to be submitted to the city council for approval and, even tho the other streets are not paved next year, it is more than likely that Main street will witness the improvement.

Nothing has as yet been decided as to the kind of paving that will be used should the project go over. There are several different kinds of materials now being used in the building of city streets, but in view of the fact that cement appears to be the most popular in late years it is quite likely that this will be the kind of material that will be chosen for the proposed McHenry improvement.

According to our information, the engineers now at work in making the surveys in this city will have completed their labors in the course of the next few days, after which the figures will be compiled that will give them estimates upon which to base future costs.

While the surveys are not being made on Pearl street at this time, it is quite likely that this thorofare will also come in for the improvement.

Being one of the most used streets in the city, it is only reasonable to believe that the property owners abutting on that street will want the improvement. However, up to this time no action has been taken toward the circulating of a petition.

It is the plan of the city council to advertise for bids on at least a portion of the proposed improvements this fall so that actual work on same may start early next spring.

Modern streets for McHenry should henceforth be our slogan.

LESTER BACON OPENS SMITHY BOWLING ALLEYS

Lester Bacon, who so successfully managed the place last season, has rented the Smithy bowling alleys in this city and opened them up for business last Thursday. Altho the weather has been anything but favorable for any indoor sports, some of the local bowlers have already started to limber up for the coming season. Mr. Bacon will again conduct a tourament during the fall and winter months and hopes to organize the teams which will make up the league in time so that the race may be started on or about Nov. 1. Those wishing to enter the league this season are kindly asked to hand in their names at their earliest convenience.

EDWARD M. FRISBY DEAD

Edward M. Frisby, one of the two Frisby brothers whose farm is located on the Terra Cotta road, about two and one-half miles south of this city, passed away at his late home at six o'clock on Tuesday morning of this week following an illness of long duration. The funeral took place from St. Patrick's church in this city at ten o'clock this (Thursday) morning. Obituary next week.

M'HENRY AND ELGIN AGAIN

TWO TEAMS TO BATTLE IT OUT AT CRYSTAL LAKE

With favorable weather the Crystal Lake baseball park will witness the largest crowd that has ever assembled in that city to watch a baseball contest next Sunday afternoon, when the McHenry and Elgin teams are scheduled to meet in the third and deciding game of a series of three.

To date the series stands at 50-50, each team having tucked away a victory, which means that next Sunday's battle will be for blood.

Elgin's pitching selection will be either Blackburn or Williams with either Giertz or Dempsey at the receiving end. McHenry will again depend upon her old reliable battery, consisting of Davison and Kingsley.

Since last Sunday's game at McHenry, when the local team was returned the victor over Elgin by a score to 4 to 3, the fans and supporters of the two teams have been clamoring for a third setto and listening to this popular demand the management of the two clubs decided to give the followers one more opportunity to see their favorites in action.

This will positively be the last game of the season so far as these two teams are concerned and will probably be the last to be staged in this section, therefore an unusually large crowd is certain to turn out. McHenry is going to send down a big delegation, while Elgin promises to come up with an army of several hundred rooters.

It's going to be a regular world series affair so far as the fans in these parts are concerned. Let's go.

ALTON PACKARD A GREAT CANTOONIST

The discriminating taste of McHenry audiences was evidenced last Tuesday night at the giving of the first number of St. Patrick's lyceum course at St. Patrick's church hall. Alton Packard, cartoonist and humorist, was the attraction and advance notices of his accomplishments as humorist and cartoonist were not belied. In fact, he was quite out of the ordinary in that he not only could draw humorous pictures, but could illustrate them by a running commentary that kept the audience in continual good spirits and won many a hearty response. As a musician as well, both vocally and instrumentally, he was very capable, giving in fine manner several of his own songs, which he acted out as he sang in a way that was exceedingly funny. Over and above this he proved to be an artist of parts, drawing two very fine pictures of a serious sort that had a very touching human appeal. As an opening number to the current lyceum course he was everything that could be desired.

ENTERTAINED IN HONOR OF MOTHER'S BIRTHDAY

Mrs. H. C. Hughes of this city very delightfully entertained a company of old-time friends in honor of the sixty-sixth birthday anniversary of her mother, Mrs. W. E. Smith of Ringwood. The occasion took place at the Smith home at Ringwood last Friday, Oct. 10, and proved a most enjoyable event for those in attendance. Numbered in the happy gathering were: Mrs. E. H. Carter of Jefferson, Ia., Mrs. O. P. Southwick of Williams Bay, Wis., Mrs. Clara Harrison, Mrs. Lucinda Francisco, Mrs. C. McLean, Mrs. H. W. Allen of Woodstock; Mrs. Alsena Smith, Mrs. Georgia Clemens, Mrs. John F. Claxton of McHenry; Mrs. J. C. Ladd, Mrs. O. A. Tabor and Mrs. C. M. Stephenson of Ringwood. The first two named ladies are sisters of Mrs. Smith, while the others were old-time friends.

IS YOUR NAME ON THE REGISTRATION BOOKS?

Is your name on the registration books? If not, and you wish to exercise your privilege of voting at the coming national election you have but one more chance to register and this will be next Tuesday. The local registration board was in session on Tuesday of this week, at which time only a few called to see whether or not their names were properly registered. The members of the board have compiled their lists to date and have placed these in conspicuous places in the post offices. Look over the lists and if you find that your name is not listed and you know yourself to be a legal voter be sure to attend to this matter next Tuesday, your last opportunity before election day.

MRS. C. W. SWANK DEAD

McHenry friends of the family were deeply grieved to learn of the death of Mrs. C. W. Swank, which occurred in Chicago last Saturday evening. The family for a few years resided on the big Hanly farm, on the McHenry-Crystal Lake road, and during their residence there the deceased made many warm friends in this city and immediate community. McHenry friends extend to the bereaved family their most heartfelt sympathy.

LAND THE FACTORY

UNDERWEAR FACTORY IS PRACTICALLY ASSURED

WILL USE STOFFEL'S HALL UNTIL SUCH TIME AS BUILDING IS ERECTED

McHenry has practically assured itself of the location in this city of the Marathan underwear factory.

This good news was made public following a meeting in this city on Tuesday evening of this week, which was attended by some of the men who have been working hard to land this concern and Mr. Nathan of the Chicago company.

Mr. Nathan will come to McHenry again tomorrow (Friday) evening, at which time it is expected that final arrangements for the removal of the Chicago plant to McHenry will be made.

The proposition as put to Mr. Nathan on Tuesday evening was to move his plant, for the time being, to the hall in the Simon Stoffel block, over the store of L. A. Erickson. This will give the Marathan company an opportunity to show to the people of McHenry just what they are doing and at the same time win over our confidence so as to make it easy for our citizens to go out and solicit money for the building of a factory structure that will meet the company's requirements.

There seems to be very little doubt in the minds of the men who have been working on the project during the past several weeks as to the reliability of the concern, their financial standing and their future prospects. They are also of the opinion that a factory building can and will be erected before the expiration of another year.

As previously stated in these columns, the company is asking of McHenry free rental for one year and that we move their equipment out from the city. This McHenry has agreed to do.

The McHenry men who have worked so unselfishly and hard to bring about the present very encouraging situation are to be commended upon their public spirit. Altho only a few in number, they have never given up the ship since first the proposition was made by the Marathan people to move their plant to McHenry and now that their efforts are to be rewarded these gentlemen are worthy of a vote of thanks from McHenry's entire population.

While the company will start operations with but twenty-five machines, this number is certain to be increased as time goes on and, according to Mr. Nathan, the erection of a factory building in McHenry will mean the employment of at least seventy-five women and girls and possibly more. optomistic view of the future and are The company officials hold a very already laying plans for the expansion of their business.

Officials of the company, who will be in McHenry tomorrow evening, will lay out the floor plans of their proposed new quarters and also arrange for the changing of the electric lighting system so as to meet with their requirements.

It is expected that the hall can be put in shape for the moving of the machinery and installation of same in a very short time.

LAKE COUNTY CONVENTION OCT. 23 AND 24

The people of McHenry county are cordially invited to attend the Lake county Sunday school convention to be held in the First Presbyterian church at Lake Forest on Oct. 23 and 24. An attractive program is offered, beginning at 10:00 a. m. Thursday. Among the speakers are Dr. Herbert of Chicago, Miss Pearl Weaver, state children's division superintendent; Miss Edna Baxter, director of religious education in Methodist churches of Lake and McHenry counties, and Rev. J. G. McClure, president McCormick theological seminary. Dr. McClure has the closing address Friday afternoon.

DANCE AT RINGWOOD FRIDAY

The first of a fall and winter series of dances, to be conducted at Smith's hall, Ringwood, is advertised to take place there tomorrow (Friday) evening. Frank Gans and his Polly Prim orchestra of this city has been engaged to supply the music for these dances and the patrons may rest assured of the very best in this line. Smith's hall, ever since its establishment at Ringwood, has proven a popular dancing resort for young people from all over this section of McHenry county and the coming season is almost certain to see the place grow into still greater popularity. Dance tickets, $1.00; war tax, 10 cents; total, $1.10. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to attend.

NEW M. E. CHURCH PASTOR

Rev. B. W. Wentworth is the newly appointed pastor of the M. E. church in this city, he having been selected to fill the McHenry charge at the Rock river conference held last week. Rev. Wentworth comes to this city from Lake Villa, where he served last year.

COMPANY IN GRAND OPERA

"MARTHA" TO BE PRESENTED BY ABORN OPERA CO.

As last year during the regular lyceum course an extra and exceptional number was arranged, so this year in a similar way another opera is to be given by the same company and the same artists as appeared at St. Patrick's hall in Faust. This year by phone from the Redpath Bureau Rev. Father McEvoy accepted the open date of the Aborn Grand Opera company, which will appear Tuesday, Oct. 21, at St. Patrick's hall in the popular grand opera "Martha." The tickets will be as last year sold for one dollar and may be procured at McGee's store or from ticket sellers.

Ethel Harrison, who sings the title role of Martha, has had wide experience and taken principal soprano roles in Faust, Martha, Rigoletto, Madame Butterfly and Pagliacci.

Frederic Taggert will be heard in Martha in the part of Plunkett. Mr. Taggert has sung the principal bass roles in a score of grand opera productions and has also sung solo parts in more than seventy oratorios. His professional activities include tours thruout the British Isles in oratorio, opera and concert; also many similar engagements in the United States and Canada.

The role of Lionel will be sung by Charles D'Altoni, well known tenor, who has a distinguished record for his appearance in opera in Italy and also for his extensive concert work in England.

Estelle Engler, mezzo soprano as Nancy, and Chester Bright, basso, as Sir Tristan, are experienced artists, well qualified for the roles they essay.

Margery Morrison, musical director, has been associated as coach and accompanist with many well known operatic stars.

DAZZLING LIGHTS FORCE CAR INTO DITCH

Earl Potter of Round Lake is in the Lake county general hospital and Frank Rossdeutscher of Volo is at his home suffering from injuries received last Sunday evening when a Ford car in which they were riding was forced off the cement road and ran into a tree. The two victims of the accident were on their way to attend the picture show at the Empire theatre in this city and at a point near Lily lake a high powered touring car with dazzling lights so blinded the driver of the Ford that he was forced over the embankment and into a tree. Potter, the owner of the Ford, was taken to the Waukegan hospital following the accident, where it was found that he had suffered a broken shoulder and two fractured ribs. Rossdeutscher escaped with bruises and a few minor cuts. The driver of the big car never stopped his machine, but kept right on going in the direction of Waukegan at full speed. The Ford car was badly damaged.

PAULINE JUSTEN MARRIED AT WAUKEGAN OCT. 7

Miss Pauline Justen, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob R. Justen of 438 Hickory street, Waukegan, was united in marriage to Mr. Milton M. Scroggin in that city on Tuesday, Oct. 7. The couple left immediately after the ceremony for a six months' honeymoon trip, which is to be spent at Gillespie and Springfield, Ill., and Washington, D. C. The bride will be favorably remembered among the younger set at Johnsburg, as she was born on the old Justen homestead near Pistakee Bay. The family, after leaving Pistakee, moved to Cando, N. D., where they resided for a number of years. They returned from the West a few years ago, since which time they have resided at Waukegan. McHenry and Johnsburg friends extend congratulations.

JOHNSBURG HALL SOLD TO FRANK KEMPFER

A deal was consummated last Friday whereby Frank Kempfer of Chicago became the owner of the property in which the Johnsburg hall is located, the place having been sold to the Chicago man by John Jonas, who owned and conducted it during the past two years. Mr. Kempfer has already taken possession of the property, having moved his family to Johnsburg last week, and is now ready to serve the public. He informs us that he will continue the fall and winter dances as have been so successfully conducted by Mr. Jonas and invites the public to call and inspect the place and familiarize themselves with his service. Mr. Jonas and family will continue to make their home at Johnsburg.

WEDDING DANCE AT JOHNSBURG

A wedding dance will take place at the Johnsburg hall at Johnsburg on Tuesday evening of next week, Oct. 21. The music on this occasion will be furnished by the Fox River Four orchestra of this city. Dance tickets, $1.00. Everyone is cordially invited to attend and a good time is promised to all.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

AS PICKED UP BY PLAINDEALER REPORTERS DURING WEEK

WHAT PEOPLE ARE DOING IN THIS CITY AND IMMEDIATE VICINITY

Vaudeville and pictures at the Empire theatre Saturday and Sunday.

Bake sale by the Ladies' Aid society at the city hall next Saturday, Oct. 18.

A large assortment of dishes and dinner sets to be found at Vycital's hardware.

K. of C. will go to communion at St. Patrick's church at 8:00 o'clock mass Sunday morning.

A car of good winter potatoes on track for Friday and Saturday. I. Levison, West McHenry, Ill. Phone 119-R.

Hickory nuts are quite plentiful this year, according to farmers and those who enjoy the sport of gathering them.

Stop, look and listen for a three day bargain sale at Vycital's hardware. Date will be published in next week's Plaindealer.

Carload of potatoes, suitable for winter storage, now on way. Telephone or leave your order with M. M. Niesen. Phone 40.

The date for the holding of the annual bazaar by the Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church has been set for Thursday, Nov. 20.

The Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church will serve dinner and supper at the M. E. church parlors on presidential election day, Tuesday, Nov. 4.

All kinds of delicious home baked dainties will be sold by the Young Ladies' sodality of St. Patrick's on Saturday, Oct. 25. Remember the date.

Joe Nix who has had charge of the A. & P. store here since its location in this city, has been transferred to Chicago. His place here has been taken by Albert M. Barbian, who assumed charge of the place this (Thursday) morning.

Mrs. Walter F. Vogt, chairman of the drive that is this week being put on to solicit funds for the Salvation Army, has a well organized force of workers in the field. The ladies are giving their time towards this worthy cause and no one should refuse to give.

The carpenter work on the new home now under construction for Albert Purvey on John street is progressing very satisfactorily and it begins to look as if the place should be ready for occupancy much sooner than was first anticipated by Mr. and Mrs. Purvey, who will occupy same.

A rumor became current about town the first of the week that the supreme court had handed down a decision on the Sohm road matter, but it has been beyond us to ascertain whether or not there is any foundation for such a report. It is our understanding that the supreme court does not go into session until the latter part of this month.

The stage of water in Fox river has been unusually low during the past week or more. This condition has been brought about because of the removal of the flash boards in the dam south of this city. However, we are told that some of these boards have been replaced, which should assure a higher stage of water than now exists.

Miss Eleanor M. Klein was very pleasantly surprised at a "kitchen shower" given at the home of her sister, Mrs. Fred C. Schoewer, on Thursday of last week. The afternoon was spent playing bunco. First prize was awarded to Mrs. Clyde Kent, second to Mrs. Ralph Hoff and consolation to Miss Agnes Young. Delicious refreshments were served.

The public card party, as sponsored by the ladies of St. Mary's Catholic church and held at St. Mary's church hall last Sunday evening, was not as largely attended as had been anticipated by the workers who had planned on making the event a big financial success. However, those who did turn out were shown an unusually pleasant time and everyone went home happy.

A meeting of the members of the McHenry fire department is to take place at the city hall next Monday evening, Oct. 20, at 7:30 o'clock. Fire Chief Peter W. Frett informs us that this meeting is called for the purpose of organization and expects everyone interested to be present. It is expected that the new fire truck will arrive shortly and when it does the chief wants the fire department in readiness for service.

The Woodard Pickle company received a total of 360 bushels of small and 79 bushels of dill pickles at their plant in this city during the season which has just closed. About twenty acres were planted to pickles in the McHenry territory this year, which is about one-half of the acreage of last year. Considering all things, the average receipts this year were about the same as last. Mr. Woodard, we are told, will make a determined effort next spring to interest more of our farmers in pickle growing.