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POSTPONE CLOSING FOR THIRTY DAYS

COMMITTEE SUCCEEDS IN GETTING CONCESSION

Borden Factory Which Was To Close on May 1 Will Continue

BORDEN'S STATEMENT

"In deference to the members of the committee, who have interested themselves, the order to close the McHenry plant of the Borden company will be postponed for thirty days from May 1st."

The above statement was brought back to McHenry by the committee which went to Chicago this morning, consisting of Simon Stoffel, William Spencer and Peter W. Frett.

The committee, representing the business men, met with Mr. Reeser and Dr. Walmsley. Although it was the intention of the Borden company to close the plant, after some consideration as to what might happen if an extension of thirty days be given the farmers to clean up and replace their cows with tested ones, the committee from McHenry got the promise of the company that the factory would continue operating during the month of May, expecting an increase worthy of their continuing the plant.

The committee now asks the co-operation of the farmers. It has been found that Bordens want to be friendly to the milk producers and are ready to extend their help in solving the question of the milk industry. The enforcement of the order of the health commissioner is not Bordens' doing and they must buy the kind of milk they can sell in Chicago.

The company has acceded to the request of the committee and now it is up to the farmers, if the plant is to remain. It means that if the farmers are willing to co-operate and produce enough tested milk to make it profitable for the Borden company to continue to operate this plant, that they will keep it open.

The committee feels that these thirty days of grace should be appreciated by every farmer and business man in McHenry, and immediate action taken to clean out the untested cattle, and clean herds put in their place.

If satisfactory results are not forthcoming in the next thirty days the plant will be closed.

A committee of three McHenry business men is in Chicago today (Thursday) for another conference with executives of the Borden Condensed Milk company, in an effort to induce the company to retain the milk plant in McHenry, following the posting of a notice the fore part of the week that on May 1 the McHenry plant would be closed.

Soon ofter the posting of the notice a meeting was called in McHenry to discuss the situation and see if some plan could be formulated to hold the plant open here and provide a place for milk producers to deliver their product.

Due to the recent move on the part of the Chicago health board, the company has been talking nothing but milk from tested cows.

As a result, the plant has been able to secure only about 8,000 pounds per day, which, unless the receipts can be increased, is not enough to warrant the running of the McHenry factory, according to the Borden officials.

On Wednesday, a committee of four business men and three farmers journeyed to Chicago to interview the executives of the company and see what move could be made to interest the company in continuing the plant. They were as follows: Ray McGee, Simon Stoffel, L. A. Erickson, William Spencer, Charles Gibbs, Fred Eppel and Walter Walsh.

They were received very cordially at the Borden offices and were told that if the company could get the co-operation of the people of this district with an assurance that within the next thirty, sixty or ninety days the farmers would be able to deliver enough milk from tested herds to make the plant pay, then the company would be pleased to consider keeping the factory open.

A meeting of farmers and business men was held at the Community high school gymnasium Wednesday evening, attended by approximately 100 persons, mostly milk producers, the object being to get the sentiment of the farmers and some idea of what amount of milk could be depended upon for sale.

The meeting was called to order by William Spencer, who called upon Simon Stoffel to report to those present what transpired during the conference in the Borden offices that day

Mr. Stoffel told of the committee's talk with the officials, as outlined above, and stated that the committee wanted to return to Chicago Thursday with a report of the result of the meeting of Wednesday evening. Mr. Stoffel made an appeal for some plan by which the plant could be retained here. He spoke of how, twenty-six years ago, the Bordens were induced to open a factory here and said he felt the community would suffer an irreparable loss if it were taken away.

A number of others present spoke, all being in favor of keeping the fac-

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GRADE SCHOLARS BOOST M'HENRY

Write Interesting Essays On "Our City"

The Plaindealer is pleased to publish the following essays written by grammer school children on "Our City" with McHenry as the subject. The three following papers were selected from the many written as the best. These were written the fore part of this week under the able direction of Miss Alice Knox. The motive of the essays was to instill in the minds of the children the advantages of living in McHenry. The students are to be praised for their exceptionally good work, which is entirely original. We hope that the publishing of these essays will promote more work of a like nature. In these essays, the children have set an example for boosting our city, which can well be followed by the grown-ups.

Our City

"Oh me, Oh my, will I ever find a real summer resort," exclaimed Miss Carlson while riding in her aeroplane. Miss Carlson had been driving around for a week looking for a place to spend the summer.

"Why, what a nice little city, I think I will land here," said she.

Upon landing, she got out of her aeroplane and hired a yellow cab to show her the town. The driver first took her to the Fox river. "This river," said he, "empties into the Illinois river, and is an ideal place to spend the summer. The river is a good place to swim."

Next, he took her to the golf course "This course has nine holes, and is well cared for," he said.

After leaving the golf course, he took her to the Empire theatre. Here she went in and saw a show called "In the Nick of Time." When the show ended, she said to the driver, "What is the name of this city?"

"McHenry, or as it is sometimes called 'The City of Friendship and Flowers,'" he replied.

"My, what a pretty name, and as the city is as pretty as the name, I shall stay the rest of the summer, and I am positive that if any of the Chicago people come out to 'The City of Friendship and Flowers' they will surely enjoy it."

The people welcome a person from any locality to come to McHenry.

"McHenry so pretty,
McHenry so fair;
'Tis the place of refreshments
And the place of fresh air."

HAROLD PATZKE

Come to the "City of Friendship and Flowers!" McHenry is situated in McHenry county on the Fox river. It is in northern Illinois, about fifty-two miles from the big city of Chicago, the second largest city in the United States.

McHenry is supplied with cement roads in all the main parts of the city and with many good garages. All is convenient for travelers and tourists. The "City of Friendship and Flowers" has many attractions, although it is yet small. Think of the beautiful Fox river, one of the largest in the state of Illinois, and then think of McHenry, situated on its banks in one of the most beautiful of places.

The Hunter Boat House sends out daily dozens of excursion boats that are comfortable and make trips on the river all through McHenry and miles up and down the river from the city. Along the river's banks are many beautiful summer cottages and wooded sections.

Down the river about two miles is a subdivision called Oakhurst. It is a very beautiful place. Farther down the river is the dam, a nice place to visit, and still farther is Ferndale, a place for quiet and rest.

Up the river about a half mile is a resort called Rosedale. Entering it from the road, you pass through a beautiful lane shaded by large evergreen trees. After you reach the end of the lane, you find a florist, and many beautiful buildings.

A half mile further up the river, is the sanitarium of Dr. Strueh.

In the southern part of the city is the McHenry Country Club golf course. There is a small club house on the links, and many resting places. The grounds are very beautiful and well kept.

Alongside of the High School is a good tennis court and football gridiron. In western McHenry is a baseball diamond.

Across the tracks also in West McHenry is a riding academy.

Across the river there are two dance halls, one called the Polly Prim and the other The Fox. Here is nearly always dancing.

Another place in McHenry for amusement is the Empire theatre, where many good shows are shown.

There are five churches in the "City of Friendship and Flowers," And also many good hotels and restaurants So come, come!

DOROTHY FISHER

We all know you will feel at home when you come to our city.

Everyone is welcome as the robins in the spring.

You don't need to think you will be lonesome when you come to McHenry. Oh, no! There are many places to go. We have a wonderful golf course, a nice large park, a bathing beach, and you surely won't starve. because we have good hotels and restaurants. Also a theatre which has all the latest pictures.

We have a wonderful river flowing past the city, good for fishing as well as swimming.

The Queen of May

MISS AGNES YOUNG MARRIED AT ELGIN

Bride of Arnold F. Reinert of Watch City

Miss Agnes E. Young, daughter of Mrs. Catherine Young, of McHenry and Arnold F. Reinhart, of Elgin, Ill., were married at a nuptial mass at St. Mary's church, Elgin, at 9:30 o'clock last Wednesday morning, April 21. Rev. H. E. Ouimet, the pastor, read the service.

The bride was beautifully gowned in a creation of white georgette and wore a deil ornamented in her coiffure with orange blossoms. Her flowers were a shower bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley.

Miss Mary Keating, cousin of the bride, as bridesmaid, wore a peach colored georgette gown with a hat to match. She carried an arm cluster of pink roses. Louis Young, brother of the bride, was best man. Nuptial music was provided by Melville Roche, who sang to the accompaniment of Miss Nan Wright.

Mixed bouquets and palms and ferns decorated the altar.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Fox hotel for immediate relatives and friends, after which the bridal party left on a wedding trip to New York City and other eastern points. Mrs. Reinert will travel in a sport outfit.

The bride has been a valuable member of the I. Cohien & Co. sales staff while the groom is one of the proprietors of the Fox garage.

After May 1, Mr. and Mrs. Reinert will be at home at 487 East Chicago street, Elgin.

B. J. Brasen Dies at Miles City, Mont.

Mayor B. J. Brasen, of Miles City, Mont., passed away at his family residence Monday, April 19, from an illness with which he was suddenly attacked on Saturday morning, April 17. It is said that his illness was brought on by an acute attack of indigestion and death followed the weakening of the heart due to Bright's disease. The mayor had not complained of being sick prior to the attack and appeared to be in the best of health. He was conscious following the attack up until Sunday morning, when he is reported to not have been able to recognize the immediate members of his family.

Funeral services of the late mayor were held from the Trinity Lutheran church of Miles City on Thursday, April 22 The body was then shipped to Chicago, where interment was made in Elmwood cemetery on Saturday, April 24.

The late mayor was a brother of Mrs. George Kuhn of this city.

Woodmen, Attention!

Having lost my Woodmen books in the fire, it will be necessary for each member to present his receipt book or receipts, showing last assessment paid and date of payment, also any payments made in advance. Any one in arrears will please call at once as I must have the records complete. Fraternally yours, E. E. Bassett, clerk, Valley Camp, No. 97.

Jolly Bridge Club

Mrs. Earl Monear was hostess to the Jolly Bridge club at their last meeting. The afternoon was pleasantly spent playing bridge after which light refreshments were served. The next meeting of the club will be held in the home of Mrs. Minnie Miller, Friday, April 30.

And once you taste McHenry Ice Cream, which is manufactured in McHenry, we know you will have ice cream three times a day.

We also have good stores.

We invite you to share all these pleasures and comforts with us. Come!

AGNES G. McCABE

WM. M'SWIGGIN GUNMEN VICTIM

LAWYER MURDERED IN CHICAGO TUESDAY

Well Known in McHenry; Several Near Relatives Reside Here

The followng account of the shooting of William McSwiggin is taken from Wednesday's Chicago Tribune. Mr. McSwiggin was well known in McHenry, being related to the Edmund Knox family and other residents here. He visited here on numerous occasions and played baseball here, pitching for the K. of C. team.

William H. McSwiggin, a youthful assistant state's attorney, known as "the hanging prosecutor" because of the zeal with which he conducted criminal prosecutions, was shot to death last night in a blast of machine gun fire poured into an automobile in which he and four other men were riding at Roosevelt road and Fifty-sixth avenue, on the boundary line between Chicago and Cicero.

Two other men in the attacked party were slain by the hail of machine gun bullets. One was James Doherty, who was known as the confidante of one Klondike O'Donnell, a leader of Cicero booze runners. The third was Thomas Duffy.

The car in which the five men were riding was moving slowly west in Roosevelt road when the second car, manned by the machine gunner and his crew, their identity unknown, drew up alongside. Without warning the murderous volley was poured into the machine. McSwiggin, Doherty, and Duffy, according to the witnesses, tried to escape by leaping out.

All the windows of this ill-fated vehicle were shattered by the bullets. So closely did the gunman bunch his shots that twenty-two marks were found on the walls of the saloon. One tree in the line of fire contained six bullets. Patrons of the saloon, falling to the floor, thought an attempt was being made to kill someone at the bar. The shooting occurred in front of the saloon of Madigan & Wendell, West 12th street.

Duffy, able to stagger away dropped on a prairie, a few yards away. As the killers drove on two other men in the McSwiggin automobile leaped from their seats—they are believed to have dropped to the floor and escaped the raking fire—and dragged McSwiggin and Doherty, who had tumbled out, back into the machine.

It was nearly an hour later that the two bodies were found at 16th street and Wisconsin avenue, Berwyn. Each had been struck at least seven times by the bullets, copper jacketed and of .45 caliber, and it was apparent that they had died instantly.

Mr. McSwiggin was a son of Sergt. Anthony McSwiggin, a veteran policeman attached to the detective bureau. He was reared on the west side and was well acquainted with the Cicero gamblers and vice lords. His record as a prosecutor showed that he has obtained more hanging verdicts than any other assistant of State's Attorney Crowe's staff.

Our Invitation

The McHenry Plaidealer invites as its guests, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Schreiner, to be present at the Empire theatre on May 6 or 7, Thursday or Friday evenings, at which time the feature picture, "The Teaser" with Laura LaPlante will be shown. Present this clipping at the theatre for admission.

SUNDAY DANCING TO BE RECONSIDERED

By a vote of seven to six, the board of supervisors, in Tuesday's special session, voted to reconsider the proposition of Sunday dancing in McHenry county. The reconsideration of the resolution passed at the last regular session of the board will be taken up at the June meeting of the board.

In the meantime, the Sunday ban will be enforced throughout the county where the supervisors have jurisdiction. The Sunday dance proposition came to a reconsideration after an attack on the present ban by Supervisor Ackman of Coral. The motion to reconsider the Sunday ban was made by Freund of McHenry and seconded by Conley of Grafton.

It was the opinion of Charles Ackman, chairman of the board last year, that it would be better for McHenry county to have its young boys and girls dance in McHenry county on Sunday nights rather than to travel to other counties to dance.

Unless the ban can be enforced in other surrounding counties we are not for it, was the opinion of Supervisors Ackman, Freund, Stockwell, White, Harrison, May and Conley. Those in favor of the present ban, and voted for the same were Ward, Walters, Wright, Hale, McConnell and Kuecker.

Lake county on the east, Kane on the south, Wisconsin on the north and DeKalb county on the southwest, all permit Sunday dancing. In Fox River Grove, where a dance hall is operated inside of the city limits, dancing is permitted on Sunday.

Practically all the supervisors were in favor of a Sunday ban if it could be enforced throughout this district and efforts will be made between now and the June meeting to get in touch with other counties surrounding McHenry county to get their opinion on the subject.

The board granted a permit to Clarence Niesen to operate the Fox Pavilion, also to Mrs. Pouliot to operate the Polly Prim and to William Nolan of Alden. The three above mentioned agreed to obey the rules and regulations set forth by the board.

Considerable difference of opinion was expressed on the dance proposition during the meeting and it is thought that the reconsideration of the Sunday ban at the June meeting will create considerable excitement.

POLLY PRIM WILL RE-OPEN SATURDAY

The Polly Prim Tavern announces in another column of The Plaindealer this week the reopening of dances at the tavern on Saturday nights, beginning this week.

The Board of Supervisors on Tuesday granted a license for a dance hall to Mrs. Mary Pouliot. The Prim has been closed for some time to the dancers, following the action of the board at its former meeting, at which time the supervisors refused to grant the necessary license.

The Sundodgers orchestra will furnish music and the patrons are requested to come at the opening hour, 8 o'clock, as the dance will close promptly at midnight

Social Wheel

Mrs. J. W. Smith pleasantly entertained the Social Wheel at their last meeting. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. J. E. Wheeler, assisted by Mrs. G Lindsay, on Thursday afternoon, May 6. Come and spend a social afternoon.

Knights of Columbus, Attention

The members of McHenry Council Knights of Coumbus, will receive Holy Communion in a body at St. Mary's church at the 7 o'clock mass on Sunday, May 2. All are requested to meet at the K. C. hall at 6:45 o'clock, from where they will march in a body to the church

JOHNSBURG PLAYERS IN "SAFETY FIRST"

Presented at Empire Theater Monday Evening

The Johnsburg Dramatic club very ably presented "Saftey First" at the Empire theatre on Monday evening of this week. The proceeds go to the aid of those who lost all in the fire of two weeks ago.

The characters are as follows: Jack Montgomery, a young husband still in love with his wife of two years, George Oeffling; Jerry Arnold, Jack's pal and fiance of Jack's sister, Virginia, Martin Weber; Mr. McNutt, a defective detective and the lover of Mary Ann O'Finnerty, Tony Freund; Elmer Flannel, the lover of the tender Turkish maiden, Zulieka, Leo Freund; Abou Ben Mocha, father of Zuleika, John A. Miller; Mabel Montgomery, Jack's wife and sister to Virginia, Agnes Hetterman; Virginia Bridger, fiancee of Jerry, Martha Miller; Mrs. Barrington-Bridger, mama of Virginia and Mabel, Amelia Weber; Zuleika, a tender Turkish maiden and in love with Elmer, Martha Hettermann, and Mary Ann O'Finnerty; an Irish cook lady and the lover of McNutt, Mildred Schaefer.

The plot centered around Jack and Jerry's staying out all of one night and their getting mixed up in an embarrassing situation with Zuleika, the tender Turkish maiden, McNutt, the redhaired cop, and a thirty-day sentence in the district jail.

In act one, the scene is laid in the little home of Jack's and it is made known that Elmer Flannel intends to marry this Turkish maiden, and to prevent it, Jack and Jerry go to her establishment and the three of them get arrested and taken to the jail. In the necessary explanation, due to Mabel, the boys tell a few petty lies which make matters just that much more mixed up. The boys, instead of going to Florida, as they said they were going to do to their wives, spent the next month in jail.

Act two finds the boys just returning home to get a bite to eat besides bean broth after their fast in the coop. The girls, Mabel and Virginia, arrive at an inopportune moment and demand an accounting of how they spent the month in Florida, and incidentally quite a row is brought up over a fake narrow escape from the angry waves of the seas after the boys go overboard.

After the necessary excuses were given, and the girls got settled down quietly again, the mother-in-law pops in and starts the row all over again and mother-in-law surely does wag a wicked tongue. However, in the end all things come out alright.

In act three a very congenial scene was shown in the garden of Mrs. Barrington-Bridger, in which all of the estranged loved ones got back in the good graces of their respective pet ones.

Each player deserves to be mentioned individually for their exceptionally good portrayal of the different characters. But it is sufficient to say that it was one of the best shows ever presented here by any amateur players.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Geyser entertained the audience between the acts by their able giving of several popular selections. Also John Miller should be applauded for his giving of "Poor Papa."

J W. Smith, owner of the Empire theatre, donated the use of his playhouse, including services, lights, etc., and deserves much credit for the splendid co-operation extended for this worthy cause.

Past Officers' Night at McHenry O. E. S.

"Past Officers' Night" of McHenry Chapter, O. E. S., was observed on Monday evening at Masonic hall. The past officers who filled the stations for the evening were as follows: W. M., Mabel Johnson; W. P., Ray Page; A. M., Caroline Reitsel; Sec., Clayton Harrison; Treas., Pearl Truax of Nunda Chapter; Con., Florence Cobb; A. Con., Minnie Miller; Chaplain, Clara Schneider; Marshal, Henry Stephenson; Organist, Lola Walsh; Adah, Jessie Kulin of Nunda Chapter; Ruth, Martha Page; Esther, Lillian Sayler; Martha, Ruth Cowen; Electa, Ony Wheeler; Warder, Calla Perkins; Sentinel, Andrew Eddy, and Miss Greta Chamberlin as soloist.

A charming address of welcome was given Mrs. Johnson by Mrs. Lindsay and Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Page were escorted to the East by officers who served with them in 1924. Just before they were escorted East the soloist, Miss Greta Chamberlin, sweetly sang a love song, substituting words appropriate to the occasion.

Beautiful bouquets of flowers were presented to Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Lindsay by the chapter. Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons of 1926 were escorted as were the Past Worthy Matrons and Past Worthy Patrons. Mrs. Reitsel, in behalf of the officers of the evening, presented Mrs. Lindsay with a beautiful tea set. Each officer found a gift at their stations, presented by the chapter. Mrs. Lindsay complimented the officers of the evening very highly for the splendid way in which they exemplified the work and also the soloist who sang so sweetly at intervals during the evening.

A social time was enjoyed following the meeting and the co-operation and good fellowship which prevailed throughout the evening made it one long to be remembered by those present.

STATE HIGHWAY 20 TO BE COMPLETED

BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED ON MAY 5

Washington Street and West End of Waukegan Road To Be Paved

Citizens of McHenry and surrounding territory, in fact thousands of tourists who travel regularly over the roads in and out of our city, will rejoice at the news that the state highway department has announced it will receive bids for the construction of the three-mile gap on Route 20, at Springfield, Wednesday, May 5, at which time a group of contracts will be let, all part of the $60,000,000 bond issue system.

The letting on May 5 is to cover only the road from the end of the present highway east of McHenry to the river and the strip from the river west to meet the end of the present highway at the top of Sherman's hill. The bridge over Fox river is not included at this time.

While at Springfield last week the publisher of The Plaindealer learned from Col. C. R. Miller, director of public works and buildings, that the state is making steady progress toward completing the contract letting on the $60,000,000 system.

Col. Miller stated that there are frequent evidences that some of the obstacles which the department has had to overcome have been caused by enemies of Governor Small and the hard road system. They appear in court suits and appeals, all intended to delay the completion of the first bond issue system

At the same time propaganda is being sent out to the newspapers which is intended to convey to the public the idea that there are no obstacles in the way of proceeding with the building of highways included in the second bond issue system.

"The law is very plain," said Col. Miller, "and we cannot proceed with the second bond issue roads until all contracts on the first have been let, except where engineering difficulties make it impossible. I am satisfied that State Superintendent of Highways Frank T. Sheets and I would be liable on our bonds if we violated or ignored this provision of the law."

Col. Miller was asked what would be the situation if only a few miles were left, but on account of court proceedings the delays were indefinite.

"We must wait until the attorney-general passes favorably on the matter. He has not done so yet and we are bending every effort to clean up as far and as fast as possible. In the meantime we are making preliminary surveys on all of the routes in the second bond issue system and we hope we may still build some roads on that system this year.

"Contractors all over the state are waiting to go, but there is nothing we can do except what we are doing."

More City Paving

The board of local improvements is advertising for bids in this issue of The Plaindealer for a stretch of pavement from the Community high school to the city limits on Elgin road.

An objector's meeting was held at the city hall on Monday to discuss the paving of Washington street from Riversiide Drive to St. Patrick's church, also the stretch on Waukegan road from Front street to the railroad tracks. The latter piece is part of the State Highway to, but it is desired to make the pavement go to the street curb, as the state puts in but 18 feet.

There was but little objection to either project and the board of local improvements announces that it will go ahead with the necessary preliminaries and court procedures.

With the completion of what paving was left unfinished last season and what is now in sight for this year, the city of McHenry will be placed in the ranks of the best paved cities in the state.

The McGucken & Vander Heyden company is starting to lay cement of Waukegan road, beginning at Elgin road.

Forester Meeting

A social gathering of the Men's Catholic Order of Foresters will be held at St. Mary's church hall on May 4.

Special speakers and entertainers will be present. Lunch will be served as usual. 47-fp.

Silverware—the attractive Hampden Court pattern. At Nye's, West McHenry. 47-fp

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If you need tin work, call 161. John F. Brda. fp

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All kinds of gifts for Mother on Mother's Day at Nye's, West McHenry. 47-fp.

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