

## THE McHENRY PLAINDEALER

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## SEED CORN SITUATION SERIOUS

Farmers Should Test Seed Corn So  
as to Be Sure of Germination

The seed corn situation is becoming more serious each day. Many farmers who believed they were supplied with seed are disappointed when the germination test is complete.

The seed corn kept over from 1916, which germinated high a year ago, shows a very strong germination in most cases this year. Seed corn which was picked before the frost in 1917, properly stored, shows a very good germination. Seed corn picked before the frost and stored where the corn was allowed to freeze before thoroughly dry germinated 30 to 50 per cent. Seed corn picked after the frost in 1917 shows an exceedingly low germination, 25 to 40 per cent.

Never before in the history of the country have we faced such an alarming seed corn situation. Every farmer having seed corn should immediately test same so as to be sure of its germination. If the corn does not germinate he should get busy and secure his seed corn 1918.

It is a great deal easier and more economical to test seed in a small way in the house than to test it on a twenty or forty acre field the latter part of May.

The McHenry County Soil Improvement-association has purchased 1000 bushels of Wisconsin No. 7 or Silver King; 2000 bushels of Pride of the North; 1000 bushels of Silver Mine (recommended for silo) and a few hundred bushels of home grown Murdock, making a total of about 4400 bushels. This is less than one-half of the amount needed in the county above that grown within our county.

All varieties of corn, except the home grown, will be sold at \$7.50 per bushel plus the cost of the sacks at 40c each, f. o. b. Woodstock. All orders must be accompanied by cheque and must be such that sacks will not have to be split. Yellow Dent corn come in 2½ bushel sacks and White Dent comes in 2 bushel sacks.

Members of the McHenry County Soil Improvement association will be served first, farmers in the county second and farmers outside of the county third. If you are a member get in your order for your seed, if you are not a member become one if you think the work a good one. By all means get in your order for seed corn some place or other.

Order cards may be filled out with feed dealers at Hebron; J. H. Patterson Co. and Shurtliff and Peters Co. at Marengo; A. C. Manley and Lake Harris Co., Harvard; Shurtliff and Peters at Hartland; Bosshard & Meyer, Woodstock, also with directors and officers of the association, who are located in each township.

Orders may also be sent direct to the office of the Soil Improvement association. Above all get your seed corn and get it early.

A. J. Gafke, Co. Agri. Agent.  
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Village Trustees Meet In Regular  
Monthly Session

Council Room, Feb. 4, 1918.

The village trustees met in regular session with Pres. Chamberlin presiding.

Trustee present: Doherty, Heimer, Justen, Kamholz and Stoffel. Absent: Kennebeck.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved.

The following bills were approved by the finance committee:

Jas. B. Clow & Son, supplies...\$12.98  
Overton & Cowen, trip to Fox Lake.....5.00

Standard Oil Co., gasoline.....21.00  
Joe Heimer, shoveling snow.....3.00

John Schaefer, batteries.....2.40  
Wilbur Lumber Co., coal and lumber.....35.91

J. J. Vycital, batteries & sup.....2.57  
G. S. Howard, marshal service.....80.00

Jas. Revor, police serv. & tele.....60.40  
F. G. Schreiner, printing.....12.50

Geo. Meyers, labor on streets and sidewalks.....15.50

P. J. Schower, labor on engine and making snow plow.....11.50

Motion by Justen, seconded by Doherty, that the minutes be approved as read. Motion carried.

Motion by Doherty, seconded by Kamholz, that the treasurer's and collector's reports be accepted as O. K'd by the finance committee. Motion carried.

Motion by Heimer, seconded by Justen, that the bills be accepted as O. K'd by the finance committee. Motion carried.

Motion by Stoffel, seconded by Kamholz, that a check for nine hundred (\$900) dollars anticipating be given to treasurer, J. C. Holly, by village of McHenry to be paid from the first taxes levied against said municipality for the purpose of paying bills occurring against the village. Motion carried.

Motion by Stoffel, seconded by Doherty, to adjourn. Motion carried. R. G. Chamberlin, Pres.

W. G. Schreiner, Clerk.

## Methodist Episcopal Church

Sunday school at 2:00 o'clock p. m.; preaching services every Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock.

## SCHOOL NOTES

Items of Interest as Prepared In Our  
Institution of Learning

Helen Welch was a visitor in room II on Tuesday.

The Latin III class has begun the study of Phormia.

Mrs. Thurlwell and Mrs. Winfield were recent visitors in room I.

The boys in room V have improved wonderfully in their singing.

Jennie Mae Cooley and Mary Smith are the new high school librarians.

Mrs. Harry Alexander of Hebron visited room I on Friday of last week.

Current events were discussed this week by Kathleen O'Reilly and Carl Bickler.

James Fay, Helen Stoltzke and Agnes Williams are absent from room II on account of sickness.

In a "Minimum Essentials" test of 102 problems Greta Chamberlin in room V finished in four minutes and fifty seconds.

Pupils in all the rooms have received shovel tags. The object is to have all the coal shovelers tagged.

People are urged to save one shovel-ful of coal a day for Uncle Sam.

The Social Service club met at the city hall last Saturday afternoon. Nine members were present. They are piecing a quilt and hope to finish it at their next meeting, Saturday, Feb. 9.

McHenry High vs. Lake Geneva High

In a hard fought battle the McHenry high school basketball team went down to defeat to the Lake Geneva highs with rather a one sided score in last Friday evening's game.

Even tho the score stood 51 to 16 in Lake Geneva's favor, much honor and praise is due our local team for the way they fought their opponents to the end. Considering the fact that our team is made up almost entirely of raw recruits, and that Lake Geneva's boys are all old players, we can conclude that the defeat was no disgrace.

By way of explanation it might be stated here that the present policy is to make high school athletics "a means to an end rather than end in itself." That is, if athletic sports can't be made an incentive to scholarship and better school work rather than a hindrance as it seems to have been the past few years to some members of the team then it should be put out entirely. The McHenry high school belongs to the Illinois H. S. Athletic association, which is governed by certain rules and by-laws that make for clean sports of all kinds, scholarship being one requirement for all contestants. We are bound in conscience to follow these by-laws when we are members.

The policy of "win at any cost" by putting in ineligible players, etc., can not be tolerated if McHenry highs want to keep in good standing with the neighboring schools. It is gratifying to note that this policy is not being followed at present writing. If any "dirty tricks" were enacted by members of the team, (we have been assured that they were not intentional), as was reported in last week's issue, we know it will not occur again judging from the clean game that was played last Friday.

Taking all these things into consideration and the handicap with which our present coach is working in having all raw material, we believe much credit is due Mr. Miller and also our captain, Leonard Frett, for the able manner in which they have handled the situation. It was admirable the way our boys showed their aggressiveness in last Friday's game to the end, even tho at odds in having much heavier and more experienced players to combat.

The line-ups and score follow:

McHenry (16) Lake Geneva (51)

C. Frett L. F. Lee

G. Barbican R. F. Blodgett

L. Frett L. G. W. Mugge

C. Buss C. G. Swinke

Hunter, Bickler R. G. O. Mugge

C. Niesen Subs Schryber

Field goals: C. Frett, 5; L. Frett, 3; Lee, 8; Blodgett, 7; W. Mugge, 8; Swinke, 1. Free throws: Blodgett, 3.

## DR. SEYMOUR DINES FLYERS

Paul Barbican, McHenry Boy, Among the Guests of the Occasion

Paul F. Barbican, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Barbican of this village, now in training at Fort Wayne, Mich., sent the following clipping, taken from the Detroit Times, to home folks, Paul being numbered among the guests at this social function:

"Thru the efforts of Dr. A. Victory Seymour, one of the state's most patriotic women, 200 members of the first provisional company, aviation section enlisted reserve corps, who will fly Uncle Sam's airplanes over Germany, were entertained at a pretentious dinner Sunday evening in the Hotel Statler.

"The men, the first of 600 aviators to be quartered in Fort Wayne, were 'adopted' by Dr. Seymour Sunday evening and to the first man who captures von Hindenburg the doctor promises to mortgage her income for the remainder of her life.

"Dr. Seymour presented the regimental colors and the national emblem to the old thirty-first regiment, together with several thoro-bred dogs and a silver trumpet before it left for Waco, and holds in trust a \$1,000 liberty bond for the first member of the regiment to capture a German prisoner.

"This is the land of my birth, France is the land of my ancestors and the red, white and blue are my colors," declared Dr. Seymour to

## THE TEA

we sell at 50 cents a pound is the best purchase to be sold at that price. The quality and price are right as our numerous customers testify. Won't you try it on our guarantee that it is as good or better quality than the tea you have been using? The quality will please you as well as the price.

JOHN STOFFEL

## Auction Sale!

Geo. Vogel, Auctioneer

Having purchased a farm out West, the undersigned will sell at public auction on the place known as the William Harrison farm, situated 3 miles south of McHenry, 4 miles north of Crystal Lake and 7 miles east of Woodstock, on the Crystal Lake-McHenry road, on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1918 commencing at 10:00 o'clock, sharp, the following described property, to-wit:

40 HEAD OF LIFE STOCK 40—consisting of—

30 High Grade Holstein Dairy Cows new milkers and close springers; registered Holstein bull and 2 two-year-old heifers.

7 Head of Horses

Black gelding, 8 years old, wt. 1350 lbs.; gray gelding, 9 years old, wt. 1500 lbs.; gray mare, 11 years old, wt. 1400 lbs.; gray mare, 7 years old, wt. 1200 lbs.; black gelding, 4 years old, wt. 1600 lbs.; gelding, 2 years old, yearling colt.

Grain and Straw

75 bushels of barley, 300 bushels of oats, 200 shocks of corn in field, stack of straw, 75 chickens.

Machinery, Etc.

Acme grain binder, nearly new; Deering corn binder, McCormick mower, Deere hay loader, Great Western manure spreader, Emerson 16-disc pulverizer, new; 14-disc pulverizer, McCormick hay rake, Deere corn planter, 2 sulky plows, nearly new; breaking plow, 3-section drag, broadcast seeder, 2-row cultivator, 2 single row cultivators, 1-horse cultivator, potato planter, potato digger, Appleton silo filler, pipes that will reach a 40-ft. silo, 2 truck wagons, steel wheel truck wagon, milk wagon, capacity 29 cans, wagon box with shoveling board, 2 hay racks, set bob sleighs, 3-unit Victory milking machine, nearly new; 2 horse power Alamo gas engine, pumping jack, Chevrolet automobile, all in good running order; 2 sets double harness, 9 milk cans, cross cut saw, forks and shovels, and other articles too numerous to mention.

Plenty to Eat and Drink at Noon

Terms of Sale:

All sums of \$10.00 and under, cash; over that amount a credit of six months' time will be given on good bankable notes bearing 7 per cent interest. No property to be removed until settled for with clerk.

NELS NELSON, Prop.

C. W. Stenger, Settling Clerk.

Simon Stoffel, Recording Clerk.

the embryo aviators Sunday evening.

"To the first one of you who gets von Hindenburg I will mortgage my income for the remainder of my life."

"Her offer was greeted with cheers and a toast was drunk to the doctor. As soon as the men complete their course here they will go to Boston to be taught the rudiments of piloting airplanes.

"When the full quota of 600 men is quartered in Fort Wayne, according to Dr. Seymour's plan, a 'family' will be found in the city for each of them. None of the men are from Detroit, it was explained, and if a 'family' can be found in the city to temporarily adopt each of the aviators they will have some place other than cafes and pool-rooms in which to spend their time on leave.

"Recorder Charles T. Wilkins opened the post prandial ceremonies. The speakers were James Schermerhorn, publisher of The Times; Brig. Gen. C. W. Harrah of the Michigan state troops; Charles H. Jasnowski, prosecuting attorney; Maj. F. W. Cowley and Capt. W. A. Heller. Capt. W. R. Alvord sang a solo. Col. W. G. Latimer made the introductions in happy vein."

Administrator's Notice

A. J. Muller, Attorney

Estate of Abraham L. Disbrow, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Abraham L. Disbrow, deceased, late of the County of McHenry, State of Illinois, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the County Court of McHenry County, at the Court House in Woodstock, at the

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We beg to call your Attention to your requirements for

## SEED

FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

As the 1918 season approaches the American Farmer is face to face with a most important duty and obligation. If the world war continues the food for the allied armies must come from American soil. Therefore it becomes his most important duty to be prepared to take advantage of every opportunity to raise a crop—and to raise a crop he must have seed and to raise a good crop he must have good seed and good seed of all kinds was never so scarce as is today.

## Quality is Economy

We have just received a car load of the best Seeds that money can buy. We could have bought CHEAPER SEEDS but not BETTER SEEDS. Let us emphasize the necessity of ordering your ensuing season's requirements. It may mean the difference of profit and loss to you.

## Fred A. Cooley

West McHenry, Illinois

## LENT

Lenten time will soon be here. Better supply yourself now while we have the goods on hand at a price that's right

## Specials for Friday and Saturday, Feb. 8th and 9th

## CHEESE

The kind with the taste that calls for another piece, full rich body, firm, close grained, made from the finest materials when the pasturage was at its best, white or yellow, especially priced per pound.....28½c

## BUTTER

Best Hillside brand bulk butter at per lb.....52½c  
Best Hillside brand butter in prints, lb.....53½c  
Butterine, per pound.....31½c

## LARD

Buy your lard by the tub, the best in the market at per pound.....27 1-2c

## HERRING

Spiced, extra good, No. 1 fish, per pail.....\$1.22  
Roll Maps, 3 for.....15c  
Holland All-Milcher Herring, nice, large fish, 3 for.....20c

## BLOATERS

Extra big at each.....7c  
Boneless Herring, per pound.....15c

## SPICED HERRING

Put up in large fancy jars, at.....27c

## CRACKERS

Premium Sodas, per pound.....16 1-2c  
Oyster Crackers, per pound.....16c

## FRESH MEATS

Round Steak, per lb.....19c  
Sirloin Steak, per lb.....23c  
Boneless Roll Roast, per lb.....22c  
Beef Rounds, per lb.....15c  
Beef Hind Quarters, per lb.....15c  
Beef Fore Quarter, per lb.....13 1-2c

Our beef record for last week was twenty-two quarters, 22. This goes to show that the beef we sell and the prices we quote are right.

## PORK

Pork Chops, per lb.....29c  
Pork Loin for Roast.....27c  
We buy the best in Meats obtainable. None better.

## GROCERIES

## CAN GOODS

Don't forget to try some of our good 25c  
Coffee, at per pound.....18c  
Tea, fancy Green tea, reg. 60c, per lb.....49c

## SOAPS

American Family Soap, 2 for.....13c  
Mascot Laundry Soap, per bar.....4c  
Why not buy your soap in box lots? Come in and we'll show you where we can save you from 2 to 3 dollars on a box of soap.

## NEXT FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

We have arranged to have an exceptionally big assortment of Fruits and Vegetables at this store. We have not overlooked anything and we feel positively sure you will find whatever you wish if you come here on the above mentioned days.

## WE BUY

Calves, Hides and Poultry and pay highest market prices at all times. The farmers are beginning to bring their products to this place because they know that for better prices they need not go further.

## Water Street Store &amp; Market

QUALITY, SERVICE, LOW PRICES

ADAMS BROS.

PHONE 26, McHENRY

A Dinner Party  
Mrs. Wm. Bonsett entertained at  
one o'clock dinner at her home on  
Weuegan street last Wednesday. J. Klapperich and Misses Anna and  
The guests were Mesdames H. J. Etta Powers and Sarah Geary. A  
Schaffer, P. J. Cleary, John McEvoy, pleasant afternoon was spent.