

MUST GET RID OF FLOOD WATERS IN THE SKOKIE

Dynamiting Operations, Temporarily Halted by Heavy Rains, Soon to Be Resumed

The contention of the North Shore Mosquito Abatement district that the thorough drainage of the Skokie on which the Chicago Sanitary district has been working will have to be completed before permanent relief is forthcoming, was most clearly demonstrated by the recent heavy rains and the unusual swarms of mosquitoes following.

Previous to the rains, Superintendent William Edwards and his force in the Mosquito Abatement district, by oiling and other work in which the District is engaged, had the situation well in hand, but the rains coming before the work of the Sanitary district was finished, resulted in a flood which was "pie" for the mosquitoes.

Superintendent Edwards, in discussing the situation this week, said the North Shore Mosquito Abatement district enlisted the aid of the Sanitary district in putting a ditch through

the Skokie valley, which, when completed, will thoroughly drain the many swamps in that section. The Sanitary district, so far, he said, has done good work, but that work is not completed. The heavy rains resulted in a delay of the dynamiting of the ditch.

Neither could the men get into this section to do any oiling. The water in some places was over a man's head.

The recent influx of mosquitoes to the north shore came from the Skokie, Superintendent Edwards admits, but it is hoped that the Sanitary district will resume its dynamiting operations very shortly and complete the job which they have started.

Approved System

Superintendent Edwards pointed out that in any locality the means employed in ridding the section of mosquitoes is by drainage and getting rid of stagnant water wherever found, as it requires only 7 days to hatch out a mosquito and not 15 days as some have stated. Where it is not possible to drain these places, oil must be used.

All experts in mosquito control work, including Major Skinner of the Gorgas Memorial association and who is recognized as one of the foremost authorities in this line of work, has laid out the plan of operation for the Chicago

Sanitary district and the North Shore Mosquito Abatement work, Superintendent Edwards explained.

"Major Skinner," he continued, "has been at work in the New Jersey and Long Island districts for several years past, where dynamiting has been used to open up ditches, the same as is being done in the Skokie valley. It is unfortunate this work was not completed in time to avoid the recent flood," he said, "and when the Sanitary district does resume its dynamiting operations it is hoped the people will have patience, realizing the importance of the work and why it is being done."

"This is a big job. The Skokie is large and it cannot be accomplished in a few weeks."

Christian Science

"Love" will be the subject of the service in the First Church of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, July 29. The golden text has been chosen from I John 4: 16.

Baha'i Lecture

The next public Baha'i lecture in the Baha'i foundation hall, Linden avenue near Sheridan road, Wilmette, will be next Sunday at 4 p. m. Dr. Albert V will speak on the subject of "The Vision of Immortality."

Will You Help to Send War Vets to Ball Game?

Disabled veterans at Great Lakes have been given passes to the Chicago baseball games, but the transportation has not been provided, Mrs. Joseph Joyce of Kenilworth, chairman of co-operation with war veterans of the Tenth Congressional district, announces. To readers of this publication Mrs. Joyce sends this plea: "Would any reader of this paper care to make up a purse to provide a bus to take these disabled war veterans to the ball games? If so, would he or she please notify either Mrs. Joyce, Kenilworth 2134, or Mrs. M. H. Finnegan, Red Cross worker in charge of arrangements at U. S. Naval Psychopathic hospital, 105, Great Lakes. The cost of one bus to take the men to and from a game is \$20, and the days now open for the games are August 14, 16, 20, 21, 22, 28, and 29."

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wild and daughter, Julia, of 628 Greenleaf avenue, Wilmette, have returned from Detroit, Mich., where they attended the thirty-seventh triennial convale of the Knights Templar.

