

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Annual report of the Board of Education, District No. 53, for the school year of 1912-13.

Table with columns: Grades, Boys, Girls, Total. Rows include High School, Total, Teachers employed, 8th Grade Promotion, H. S. Graduates, Elementary Tuition, Pupils, H. S. Tuition Pupils, Total days attendance, No. of School Houses, Value of School Property, Value of Equipment.

Amount of Taxes Levied Aug. 1912 \$18,697. Bonded Indebtedness None. School census taken June 30, 1913: Under 21 years Bet. 6 and 21 Boys, Girls, Total.

Table of CURRENT EXPENSES. Rows include Board Expense, Superintendent, Instruction (Supervisors, Teachers, Books and supplies, Operating School Plant, Janitors, Coal, Water, Gas, Telephone, Supplies), Maintenance of Plant, Repair, Special assessments, Old voucher paid.

Table of RECEIPTS. Rows include Balance on hand July 1, 1912, Received from taxes, Received from tuition, Received Misc. sources, Paid out on vouchers.

Balance on hand July 1, 1913 \$7,180.43. FRED E. DOWE, Secretary.

WEST SUBURBAN CHURCH LEAGUE.

Table of Standing as Follows: Brookfield, Congress Park, D. G. Congo, D. G. Methodist, D. G. Baptist, Hinsdale.

The Baptists were beaten at Downers Grove last Saturday by the Brookfield M. E., 28 to 5. The Congos were victorious over Hinsdale at West Hinsdale, 5 to 4, in a snappy game, and both teams were compelled to play their best at all times.

NOT ONLY IN DOWNERS GROVE.

Similar Cases Occur Daily in This Vicinity.

Not only here in Downers Grove, but in our neighboring towns, the same good story is heard. An encouraging instance from Naperville is given here, and will be read by all with great interest.

Andrew E. Wehrli, 164 Center street, Naperville, Ill., says: "There was a dull, nagging ache in the small of my back and lameness and soreness across my loins that prevented me from stooping or lifting. When I exerted myself in any way, I had sharp pains throughout my body. The kidney secretions also annoyed me by their frequency and proved that my kidneys were at fault. Doan's Kidney Pills strengthened my system and removed the aches and pains."

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

Trees and Lightning. The electrical resistance of trees is quite great, a quality which protects them to a considerable degree from lightning stroke. This resistance varies greatly with the character of the tissues and also with the temperature. This fact results in an annual and daily period of resistance. The cambium layer shows the least electrical resistance, followed by the phloem and sapwood.

Woman of Experience. "If I am detained down town tonight, don't wait up for me. If I don't show up, I shall come down for you."

LYCEUM AND CHAUTAUQUA WORKERS TO HOLD NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The International Lyceum Association, which is composed of a thousand of the well-known lyceum and chautauqua workers, will this year hold its eleventh annual convention at the Auditorium Hotel, Chicago, September 15-19, inclusive. For the past three years this organization has held its convention at Winona Lake, Ind.

The chautauqua, by reason of Secretary of State Bryan's lectures, has called as much attention as the Balkan and Mexican wars, the Japanese scare, the tariff, and it is almost on a par with baseball.

Lecturers of note, statesmen, musicians and artists in all the various branches known to the lyceum and chautauqua profession are members of this organization, known to its friends as the I. L. A.

There is perhaps no other union of forces with quite the unique distinction that the I. L. A. claims. It is composed of those who furnish the performances, the managers who conduct the business end of this vast and growing movement, the agents who sell the programs to the various chautauqua assemblies and lyceum courses, and the committeemen who annually spend about \$10,000,000 for lyceum and chautauqua attractions.

There are this season about 2,000 chautauquas and 15,000 lyceum courses, and it was of this great people's movement that Theodore Roosevelt said: "The chautauqua is the most American institution in America," and Senator La Follette has recently paid the lyceum this tribute: "From the time of Wendell Phillips until the present, the lyceum has been the salvation of our republic."

One man was almost instantly killed and another fatally injured last Thursday night at 10:50 o'clock when a Claim street car in Aurora crashed into a horse and buggy. The dead: D. Edward Hayes, 30 years old, painter; died instantly from a fractured skull; jaw also fractured. Adrian Bradford, 37 years old, painter; died at the St. Charles Hospital this morning at 10:30 o'clock of a fractured skull.

Plainfield, Ill., Aug. 1.—The storm last evening did considerable damage in and around this city. The storm seemed to be the worst north of town. Charles Firestein lost a valuable horse three years old. The roof was blown from the barn of David Fry. A hog pen belonging to James Clow was blown over. A large field of corn on the Guy Mather farm was blown flat. A large amount of oats belonging to J. Yanke on the David Fry farm was blown into the river, which is near by. Many of the farmers lost chickens.

Milton Baldrige of St. Charles proposes to ride from Chicago to New York on one of the old high-wheel bicycles. He will use a model '84, the property of N. H. Van Sicklen, and expects to make the trip in from 18 to 20 days.

FILM STORY AT THE MOTIOGRAPH. SATURDAY, AUG. 9, 1913.

When Women are Police.—Higgins, a young police officer, is suspended for sleeping while on duty, and Jennie Lee is sent to cover his beat. Jennie determines to make good and has a series of adventures which test her courage, but she comes out with flying colors. Fatty Jones, who has been celebrating with some friends, spies the young officer and asks her to assist him home. Jennie is inclined to protest, but Jones insists that it is her duty. Complications arise when Mrs. Jones sees the pretty young woman helping her husband to his residence. Officer Higgins, plotting vengeance, is the means of Jennie's undoing by placing a mouse in her pathway. She blows her whistle and Higgins, who has been reinstated, hastens to her rescue. That evening, when both are off duty, Higgins proposes and Jennie decides to resign from the force.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 13, 1913. For Mayor.—Bess Smith.—Mrs. Bess Smith was a widow, and a suffragette. When election time drew near the "Votes for Women" advocates nominated her for mayor against Joe Jones, the machine candidate. After one encounter with the suffragists, Jones was treated so roughly that he decided to pay Mrs. Smith to withdraw. When he called, the ladies fixed up a scheme on him by which he made his proposition to a phonograph record, as well as to the nominee; then they told him what had happened. Joe, a widower, told his son, Joe, Junior, of what had happened and Joe offered to help him. Joe Junior, who is in love with Bess Smith, Junior, and when Mrs. Smith was coming home from a mass meeting, she met Joe, Senior, and invited him into her home. When they entered they found their respective son and daughter in each other's arms. Mrs. Smith stormed and raged at this new complication, but finally gave the children her blessing. Joe Jones, the older, thereupon proposed to Mrs. Smith, and she decided that in case she lost the office it might be a good thing to be the wife of the mayor.

JOHNSTONE A STAR PITCHER

Umpire, Who Could Not Agree With President Tom Lynch, Was Once With Grand Rapids Team.

Jim Johnstone, who left the National league umpire staff because he could not work in harmony with President Tom Lynch, and who has been making such a hit in the American association this season, became a hander of the indicator by chance.

Back in 1894, when Charlie Comiskey had the St. Paul club in the old Western league, which later developed into the American league through the pushing tactics of Ban Johnson, the late Matt Killilea, Connie Mack and Charlie Somers, there was a youngster, a husky one, pitching for the same "Commy." It was Jim Johnstone and he was twirling some evil games those days, for the pitchers had to deliver for Comiskey, as he carried only a small staff then. He went along nicely, but later was shifted to Grand Rapids, Mich., Deacon Ellis having made a dicker with Comiskey for him.

After working for the Deacon for quite a time, Johnstone joined the Newark team of the Eastern league and later drifted to the Pacific coast, where the playing season extended to eight months instead of four and a half and five, as was the case those days. While on the coast Jim was taken down with malaria and from a strapping young man of 200 pounds he was reduced to 140 pounds, and thought it was all over with Jeems but the flowers. It was a hard fight but the warm climate finally began to benefit him and he gained slowly. He was too weak to get into the game and pitch any, but one day it was suggested that he might help himself by umpiring a bit.

Jim thought over the matter and wondered how he would fare against some of the rough ones if he made a rotten decision, but finally he decided to take a chance and he did. He umpired a game for two teams and got through so well that he gained courage. With his daily exercise came back his strength and it was not long before he was back to his old form. His umpiring had been a success. He received offers from managers to get back into the harness again as a pitcher, but after thinking the matter over he determined to stick to the indicator. He soon had an offer from the big league and remained there for a number of years, the break coming with President Lynch last fall.

"It might have been my luck to become a \$10,000 pitcher," said Jim while talking shop one night, "but I guess I am just as well off as one of the umpire brigade, for I will last longer this way."

CLYDE MILAN AND TY COBB.

George Moriarty Tries to Prove His Teammate Is Greater Stealer—Records Are Compared.

"Is Clyde Milan a better base runner than Ty Cobb?" This was a question asked of George Moriarty of Detroit, says the Boston Herald.

"No," instantly replied George.

"But Milan set a new record for base stealing last year," persisted the questioner.

"Admitting that, but Milan is not as good or as dangerous a man on the base paths as Cobb," returned the Tiger's assistant manager. "Milan is unquestionably one of the fastest men in the major leagues and he earned all of the bases he stole last season, but Milan gets on first often and has more chances to steal second—the popular stealing point—than Cobb. Cobb stretches a lot of hits that to Milan would be singles. Cobb, therefore, is on second base and it is the general opinion that it is harder to steal third than it is second, for the reason that the catcher has a shorter and a better throw. The records will show that Cobb gets many more doubles than Milan, and each one of these



Clyde Milan.

South counts against his chances of stealing. Then again, it isn't always good policy to steal third. A single will score a fast man like Cobb or Milan, and once such a player is on second it is tempting fate to start to steal third. But so far as a base runner is concerned, Cobb is Milan's superior, despite the Washington star's mark of last year."

Legal Notices

GUARDIAN'S NOTICE. State of Illinois, County of Du Page, ss.—In the County Court of Du Page County, Ill., in the matter of the application of John Pajewski, guardian of Daniel Pajewski, a minor, for leave to sell real estate.

To the above named Daniel Pajewski, a minor, and to all persons concerned: You are hereby notified that the undersigned, John Pajewski, guardian of Daniel Pajewski, a minor, will file a petition in the County Court in and for the County of Du Page and State of Illinois, on Monday, September 15, 1913, at the September term, 1913, of said County Court, to be held in the court house in the City of Wheaton, in the County of Du Page aforesaid, which term equivoques on the first Monday of September, 1913, the undersigned will present said petition to said court, and make application to said court for leave to sell said real estate, at such time and upon such terms as the court may direct, all of the right, title and interest of the said Daniel Pajewski, a minor, in and to the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot ten (10) in Block one (1) of Downers Grove Addition to Downers Grove, in Du Page County, Illinois.

Dated Wheaton, Ill., August 1, 1913. JOHN PAJEWSKI, Guardian of Daniel Pajewski, a Minor. WM. KAHR STEELE, County Clerk.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Estate of Peter Johnson, Deceased. The undersigned, having been appointed Administrator of the Estate of Peter Johnson, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Du Page County, at the Court House in Wheaton, at the September term, on the first Monday in September next, at which time all persons having claims against the estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 5th day of July, A. D. 1913. CHARLES E. WOLF, Administrator. ALBERT E. WOLF, Attorney. 437 County Building, Chicago, Ill. ESTATE OF EMERSON C. STANLEY, DECEASED. The undersigned, having been appointed executor of the last will and testament of Emerson C. Stanley, late of Du Page County of Du Page and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Du Page County, at the Court House in Wheaton, at the September term, on the first Monday in September next, at which time all persons having claims against the estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 5th day of July, A. D. 1913. Lee E. Stanley, Executor. Attorney: Anderson & Associates, Burton T. Jones, Attorney, West Chicago, Ill.

WHERE RAIN SELDOM FALLS

Two Thousand Miles of South American Coast Line Almost Absolutely Waterless.

For 2,000 miles the coast, as more Americans than are at present informed will doubtless discover as soon as the Panama canal develops more neighborliness between the North Atlantic and the South Pacific, one need not carry an umbrella except to keep off the sun, the Providence Journal observes.

In Peru, on the sea side of the Andes, they build out of mud what seem to be magnificent palaces, and clapboard effects are popular also, though wood is worth its weight in gold. Stucco, a paint brush and a lively fancy serve for this stately decoration, but there is not even the pretense of cultivating lawns, though that might be indulged in, too, with the help of a pot of green paint. Rain enough would not fall in a generation to wash the green off the front yard or the patio.

That stretch of coast is one of the most remarkable of all nature's demonstrations of waterless desolation. It is an elongated Sahara. From Coquimbo, one-third of the length of Chile below the Peruvian border to Guayaquil, in Ecuador, vegetation is unknown. An agreeable effect is to relieve the equatorial heat along the coast and the slope of the Andes of humidity.

Rabelais Always Humorous. Rabelais was a monk long before he wrote his drolleries, but that he was a humorist first is evidenced by the many practical jokes which brought down upon him the punishment of his spiritual superiors. In his case the priestly profession became too confined for his talents and he made a better doctor of the body than he had been of the soul, but it was his career as a wit that brings fame into our day. His gargantuan stories stand as his record, and their grim, grave humor reflect the man; that they read coarse to us is merely the accident of their age. Rabelais hit hard, but he was returning blow for blow and fierce irony was a necessary weapon of the time.

Coal Was Used 3,000 Years Ago. Greek writers 500 years before the Christian era mention coal in their works, and it was no uncommon thing in Egypt 500 years before that.

A long gap apparently comes after that, and coal is not heard of again until in England, somewhere about the time of William the Conqueror in the eleventh century. Records are found granting the privilege of mining for it to the people.

It was not until well along in the sixteenth century that coal was used to any extent in Paris, and in Germany the date of its beginning was even later.

Course of True Love. "I thought my fiancee broke our engagement when she threatened to kill me," pleaded a Nevada defendant in a breach of promise suit. Not a bit of it—that is a way some women have of snatching things.

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