

**PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Proceedings of the Board of Supervisors of Du Page County at a special meeting held at the Court House in Wheaton, on Monday the 8th day of March, A. D. 1915, pursuant to call of chair.

Meeting called to order with Supervisor Fischer presiding.

On roll call, all members present. Minutes of last preceding meeting read and declared approved.

All bills and communications on file read to the full Board and the claims referred to the proper committees.

On motion of Supervisor Fix, the Board adjourned till 1:30 today.

On reconvening for the afternoon session, committee on fees and salaries made the following report, which upon motion of Supervisor Town was declared approved.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Board of Supervisors:

Your committee on Fees and Salaries would beg leave to report that they have examined all claims presented before them, and recommend the payment of the following, and that the clerk be directed to issue orders for the several amounts to the several claimants, to-wit:

- R. T. Morgan, Clerk Hire for February, 1915.....\$75.00
- John Hesterman, Clerk Hire for February, 1915..... 50.00
- W. W. DeWolf, Deputy Fees..... 78.00
- Geo. F. Leinke, Deputy Fees..... 44.00
- Chas. W. Hadley, States Attorney Fees for Quarter ending March 1, 1915..... \$75.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. YACKLEY, Chairman.

The following report of Committee on Claims, was, on motion of Supervisor Cramer, declared approved.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Board of Supervisors:

Your Committee on Claims would beg leave to report that they have examined all claims presented before them, and recommend the payment of the following, and that the clerk be directed to issue orders for the several amounts to the several claimants, to-wit:

- A. D. Kelley, Ford auto.....\$375.00
- Worrell Mfg. Co., 10-gal. disinfectant..... 10.00
- C. L. Sublet, hauling garbage..... 14.00
- Glenwood Manual Training School, care of County inmates from Dec. 1, 1914, to March 1, 1915..... 60.00
- Hinsdale Auto Co., auto hire..... 15.50
- Western United Gas & Electric Co., gas and electricity for Feb., 1915..... 45.06
- Aurora Rubber Stamp Co., rubber stamps..... 5.10
- Rogers Hardware Co., tools for court house..... 3.95
- N. E. Matter, expenses, attending meeting of County Treasurers at Springfield..... 18.35
- Dr. A. B. Connor, services at jail..... 6.00
- Rev. W. J. Warakomski, telephone tolls, case of Michalek..... 1.50
- James A. Wagoner, one-half of appeal costs..... 2.50
- John W. Leddie, preparing indictments in Freeman case..... 37.50
- Felt & Tarrant Mfg. Co., comptometer..... 350.00
- West Chicago Press, supplies for treasurer and county clerk Mrs. H. J. Kimble, meals for jurors..... 26.25
- Peter Schultz, 5 days' labor at court house..... 10.00
- Chicago Telephone Co., telephone service and tolls..... 45.95
- Eugene L. Gates, drawing material and supplies..... 92.86
- C. H. Plummer, printing and envelopes..... 68.75
- Eugene L. Gates, freight and postage..... 1.92
- The Globe-Wernicke Co., supplies for E. L. Gates' office..... 19.30
- John H. Kamp, coffin for "Warwick"..... 20.00
- Peter Knippen, hauling garbage..... 2.50
- J. H. Kamp, labor and supplies at court house..... 108.34
- Merrill Printing Co., 500 tax receipts..... 14.05
- J. W. Schmitz, eye balls and spring for trap for Spencer..... 1.75
- G. W. Hagerman, painting and labor..... 148.50
- John F. Ragsdale, 4 drop-a-line indicators..... 18.00
- Geo. H. Williams, 3 days attending grand jury, January term..... 24.00
- Thomas Lawton, M. D., medical attendance..... 30.00
- R. T. Morgan, postage from Feb. 6 to Mar. 8, 1915..... 18.10
- Charles W. Hadley, paid tolls and transcript..... 21.44
- P. F. Pettibone & Co., supplies as per bill..... 126.49
- George Fix, committee work and care of transient pauper..... 16.55
- W. J. Yackley, committee work..... 6.80
- J. H. Hattendorf, care of transient paupers..... 2.00
- M. J. Town, care of transient paupers..... 9.38
- F. H. Cramer, committee work and expenses..... 4.50
- George Boger, committee work and expenses..... 14.40
- G. A. Keller, committee work and expenses..... 7.50
- Wm. Hammerschmidt, committee work and expenses..... 4.00
- Irving Goodrich, committee work and expenses..... 4.10
- John F. Hesterman, board for prisoners for February, 1915..... 64.00
- John F. Hesterman, expenses for February, 1915..... 69.60
- N. E. Matter, Co. Treas., Alms-house expenses..... 1,160.40
- N. E. Matter, Co. Treas., County Farm expenses..... 217.96
- N. E. Matter, Co. Treas., care of county inmates..... 183.85

John Ragsdale's claim for county surveyor for \$4.50, returned to the full board.

Respectfully submitted, GEORGE A. KELLER, Chairman.

On motion of Supervisor Hoyer, the Court House and Grounds Committee were given the power to inquire into the cost of putting the burglar alarm in order and keeping same in repair and report to the full board at some future meeting.

On motion of Supervisor Keller, the committee on supplies were given power to buy the supplies asked for, in the Circuit Clerk's office.

On motion of Supervisor Hammerschmidt, the following resolutions of State Aid Road No. 1 were adopted.

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors of Du Page County have been duly notified that there has been reallocated to Du Page County the sum of one thousand seven hundred eighty dollars (\$1,780.00) for aid in the construction of State Aid Roads, as provided in Section 15 B Article 4 of "An act to revise the law in relation to roads and bridges," approved June 27, 1913, and

WHEREAS, There is sufficient county funds now on hand with which to appropriate a sum equal to such allotment, and

WHEREAS, A section of the State Aid Road is now under construction, but it is not completed.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Du Page County in meeting duly assembled that there be and hereby is appropriated the sum of \$1,780.00 from the funds now on hand in said county treasury of Du Page county, to meet the appropriation so made of the reallocation to Du Page county, and that said sum of money so appropriated by said state to said county be used and expended for extending and carrying on the work in said county in building and constructing State Aid Road No. 1, from the Cook county west line, west to York street in said Du Page county.

On motion of Supervisor Fix, the State Aid Roads Committee were authorized to meet with the State Highway Commission to devise means for the completing of said State Aid Roads, now under construction in Du Page County, and to settle all other matters that may come before said committee.

On motion of Supervisor Hammerschmidt, the Board adjourned to April 3rd, 1915, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

A. A. KUHN, Clerk.

**THE CLERGYMEN THE ENEMY OF COUNTRY TOWNS**

What? No? How is That?

When a pastor of a country church, I looked upon the saloonkeeper as our enemy. When I saw an ad. in our local paper of dances, theaters, intoxicating liquors, etc., I even went so far as to remark in prayer meeting once upon a time that our editor was doing more harm thereby than I could counteract through the services of the church. Even more pernicious was the drug store "hang-out" with its subtle gambling machines, running all day Sunday, while the open, above-board places of pastime for young men were closed by law.

But not until I got away from the rural pastorate and became associated with leading business men of a great cosmopolitan city, did I ever hear it suggested that the clergyman was the enemy of the country town. It was at a meeting of an organization of business men, including railroad presidents, head officers of implement manufacturers, clothing manufacturers and various other leading representatives of the industrial world, who for purely business reasons look upon the decline of country towns with alarm.

I had just made my address, outlining what I considered necessary to check the lamentable drift of cityward young men from rural communities and suggested a program which I considered most practical—one in which the various business interests could co-operate with the local communities. The meeting was then thrown open for discussion and then and there I was given a new suggestion to contemplate. For the first time I realized what the business world sometimes thinks of certain clergymen. The following was taken down in shorthand:

"What the retired farmer leaves undone in country town burial services, is completed by the country clergyman, who sees in every amusement or pastime where there may be a gathering of young people, a rival for his church. He cannot understand why his sermons do not attract the young, and he assumes that the reason must be the wasteful sin of the attraction which is operating in opposition to his prayer meetings. Out of this situation originates his antipathy toward the picture show, the billiard table, the baseball game and everything else between the mill dam and the checker club at the corner drug store. That is where his zeal for his cause distorts his vision. He thinks he can legislate the young folks into his church, but he only succeeds in extinguishing a few additional street lamps, of which there are none too many, and when his pet hobby has been ridden to the limit of his capacity, he may wake up to the discovery that the boys and girls left town when the lights went out, that the church needs a coat of paint and that his congregation is smaller than ever. His activity in creating antagonisms only adds to the impetus of the remorseless juggernaut, which has ground already beneath its wheels, during the short space of my recollection, many of the prerogatives

of his former power. "Yesterday the Presbyterian church published the announcement that they had lost a membership of 250,000 in five years—16 per cent of their total lost, and the world's population rapidly increasing. The country clergy are unknowingly depopulating the country towns by driving the young people to the city, thereby destroying the very best we have in American youth, stultifying and dwarfing the growth of our civilization and adding to the countless wrecks of suffering manhood, contributed to city life from homes where health and joy might have otherwise ruled."

Whether or not the above opinion is an exaggeration, it is significant that, in a discussion among men representing diversified business interests of such calibre, the lack of amusements should have been given such prominence as the contributing cause of the decline of country towns. To say the least, here is a tip to the wise pastor from the "inside" of a business man's meeting, which no business man would ever think of saying directly to the pastor. Whether or not it is of value, of course, depends upon whether the pastor is one of those who are not too wise to learn and for whom every event is a teacher pointing out the way to greater efficiency in his "calling." Certainly it is high time that every pastor realized that play, like hunger or religion itself, is an irresistible instinct; and that when deprived of his favorite pastimes in wholesome surroundings, exuberant youth will seek the places and the means of his recreation elsewhere.

F. J. MILNES, Pres., Nat'l Indoor Game Ass'n., Downers Grove, Ill.

**ANNUAL BANQUET OF BELMONT IMPROVEMENT CLUB.**

The first annual banquet of the Belmont Improvement Club was held at the Puffer School House, Friday evening, March 12, 1915. This was a fitting climax to a successful year in social center work. A large number of members and friends gathered together and were prepared to do ample justice to the bounteous feast which the ladies had prepared for us. After the dinner, which was interspersed with old folk songs and familiar hymns, our congenial and inimitable toastmaster, Mr. E. R. Puffer, who admirably succeeded in working up a feeling of cheer and good will by his wit and drollery, called on the various members to give toasts. Among those who responded were Mrs. G. P. Reid, Mrs. A. V. Lacey, Miss Agnes Johnson, our club president, H. R. Hatch, John Rehm and Mr. N. P. Willard. We were pleased to have with us Mr. W. B. Towsley of Downers Grove, who gave us a very interesting talk on his work at Marshall Field & Co., and what they are doing for the boys and girls employed by them. The banquet was a success in every way and will long be remembered, especially by the younger members present.

H. DOBBS, Sec.

**DUPAGE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION.**

Resolution Relating to Hog Cholera Control.

(Adopted by members of the Executive Committee of the DuPage County Agricultural Improvement Association in regular session.)

Whereas, The disease known as hog cholera is always in existence in the State of Illinois, causing an annual loss of millions of dollars and effectually preventing the development of the hog-producing industry, which is known to be one of the most lucrative in connection with farming if disease is eradicated; and

Whereas, A preventive has been discovered and proved to be effective within the past few years, and effective methods of disinfecting and preventing the spread of the disease from an infected area is also known, and

Whereas, In by far the greatest number of cases where there is an outbreak, farmers and others are careless in disposing of diseased and dead hogs and in trying to prevent the spread of this contagious disease; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we respectfully request our state legislature at its present session, and his Excellency Edward F. Dunne, governor of Illinois, to make adequate provision for the proper enforcement of the present law in regard to the detection and spread of contagious live stock diseases, including hog cholera, and that it be made to include the following points:

That no hog cholera serum shall be furnished to the farmers of the state, but that they may obtain the serum furnished by the state at actual cost of production, which cost shall be uniform throughout the state; also

That no person be allowed to administer hog cholera serum or virus unless he be authorized to do so by the state veterinarian.

Resolution Relating to the Compulsory Testing of Cattle.

Whereas, A reliable method of detecting tuberculosis in cattle has been established in the tuberculin test, and

Whereas, The tuberculin test may indicate infected animals, the milk or meat of which is free from tubercular germs, and

Whereas, The compulsory testing of all milk producing animals and the slaughter thereof and payment therefor of infected animals by the State of Illinois would cause unnecessary loss and great expense to the taxpayers of the state, and

Whereas, By this method the consumer would not be assured of milk free from the tubercular germ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the tuberculin testing of cattle within the State of Illinois be done only upon request of the owner.

(Signed) DuPage County Agricultural Improvement Association.

Resolution Relating to the Importation of Diseased Cattle into the State of Illinois.

Whereas, An infectious disease, known as tuberculosis, is generally prevalent among cattle and swine, and

Whereas, The human family is susceptible to this disease, and

Whereas, It has been the practice in the past to import large numbers of cattle into this state, many of which were infected with tuberculosis, and

Whereas, The importation of cattle into this state infected with tuberculosis endangers the healthy cattle of the state and increases the spread of the disease, and

Whereas, The disease causes great loss to the live stock owners, whose herds are infected; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we request our state legislature at its present session, and his Excellency Edward F. Dunne, governor of Illinois, to pass a law prohibiting the importation into this state of all cattle afflicted with tuberculosis or other communicable diseases, except those for immediate slaughter, and, be it further

Resolved, That the importation of cattle into this state, infected with tuberculosis or any other infectious diseases, be punishable by a fine of not less than \$50, or more than \$500.

(Signed) DuPage County Agricultural Improvement Association.

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**Huge Cakes of Old.**

We all admire the elaborate sugar cakes and doves and other artistic attempts in icing and silver paper that the confectioners turn out for wedding and anniversary festivities. We also know the intricate floral and geometrical patterns worked out in citron and other candied fruits and nuts to be found on the "lebkuchen," "pefferkuchen" and other German fruit cakes; but few of the modern cooks would attempt to compete with some of the pastry triumphs of the middle ages, when huge feasts were prepared for the lords and their retainers by the chefs of the time. In those days when oxen were cooked whole and served and when peacocks were served in their plumage, it was no unusual thing for the pastry pie to be big enough to hide within its shell a small child dressed as a fairy, or perhaps live animals or birds. It was at this time that the famous Mother Goose rhyme was undoubtedly composed.

**Early American Industry.**

When English colonists settled on the Atlantic coast from New England to North Carolina, the abundance of wood suggested to them that there might be profit in the sale of ashes. In 1621, less than fifteen years after the founding of Jamestown, the Virginians were selling ashes at from \$30 to \$40 a ton for export to England. The burning of ashes was a favorite business undertaken by negroes who had run away from slavery in the South and had settled in Canada. No capital was required, as wood was free; and, though the income was small, the work was easy and served to attract a good many people. As late as 1898 Canada exported annually 1,223 barrels of potash and pearlash, the equivalent of more than 20,000 barrels of ashes.—Hardwood Record.

**Trout Streams in Rockies.**

Nearly all of the Rocky mountain forests contain splendid trout streams, and, as most of these are kept well stocked, they will doubtless furnish sport for many generations. Game is also to be found in most of the forests, and in some of them is abundant; but the big game is rapidly disappearing, and many of the species are doomed. Thus the Olympic forest is the last stand of the Roosevelt elk, and the mountain sheep is found only in a few forests. On the other hand, deer and bear are still abundant in many of the forests, and especially in the Blackfeet, Kootenai, Kaniska, Coeur d'Alene and Flathead of Montana. In the Southwest there is still good hunting on the Apache, the Sigreaves and the Tonto of Arizona and in the Mogollon and Gila country of New Mexico.

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