

**NEW OIL ENGINE  
NOW RUNNING AT  
VILLAGE PLANT**

Tuesday afternoon the new oil engine at the Village Water & Light plant started and for the first time began developing current to be run out on the lines. This makes the engine equipment at the plant up to date and capable of taking care of almost any emergency. With the battery of three machines the village should have uninterrupted service, day and night. As a try out Tuesday evening the new engine carried the village thru the "peak load" period performing fine. The new power unit is a marvel. It

is of the Diesel type made by the Busch-Sulzer Co., of St. Louis, Mo., and is capable of developing 165 horse power. It is directly connected to a 110 kilowatt, 2300 volt generator and this current was cut into the switch-board Tuesday afternoon.

The entire engine, the building of an addition to the plant to house it, the freight charges and the erecting, were all paid for out of the earnings of the plant. Not one cent of taxation, no bonds, no money raising of any kind, has been done by the Village Council to pay for this additional equipment. Over thirty thousand dollars have been spent for the new machinery, the building and incidentals. This is quite a difference from the controversy of several years ago when the matter of having a plant or selling nearly disrupted the town.

**VILLAGE COUNCIL  
EXPLAINS PROPOSED  
BOND ISSUE**

The Village Council wishes to give the following explanation in reference to special election which has been called for December 5th, for the purpose of having bond issue mentioned in this issue of The Reporter approved.

The present council and members of it, who have been in the council for several years, have been confronted with numerous special assessments heretofore levied in this village. Some of the defaulted bonds are several years past due. They are bonds that have been issued in connection with various special assessments down to and including special assessment No. 35. They are unpaid due to several reasons over which the council has no control. One of the principal reasons is that there has never been enough money received in the assessments to pay off the bonds and this has been due principally to the fact that a large number of persons owning property in this village against whom special assessments have been levied, have permitted their special means in substance that when forfeited the village receives no money, there being no purchasers for them at the annual tax sale when delinquent special assessments are offered for sale. The probable reason in these cases is on account of the value of the property involved, purchasers in the past not wishing to buy the property for the tax on account of the low value of the property against which the assessment was levied. The forfeitures legally mean that the village has a lien for those unpaid installments that have been forfeited and that in the course of time as property changes hands and titles are cleared up and values increase, the forfeited taxes will no doubt be paid by new purchasers of property.

In the meantime, however, for this and other reasons the bond holder is unpaid and wants his money and numerous suits have been threatened against the village. To defend these suits would be costly and in the end the village would be obliged to pay for all its liability in connection with these suits. The village could not legally proceed to issue bonds for the payment of these obligations simply because we recognize liability but in order to make our actions legal the claims must first be reduced to a judgment obtained against the village. We have, therefore, entered into an arrangement whereby the Farmers and Merchants Bank was to represent the bond holders in a friendly suit, the Bank permitting its name to be used only for the purpose of various bond holders. The Board wishes to say that the Bank is not in any way primarily responsible for

the suit but is lending its aid to accomplish the end desired. In pursuance of the friendly suit started a judgment has been entered against the village for Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000). As above stated this was necessary in order to make it possible for the village to issue bonds that were legally binding upon it and it must be approved by the voters of this village at the election which has been especially called for this purpose. The taxation for meeting these bonds has been spread over ten (10) years and it will be noted it is very small. Unless the voters of this village approve this manner of paying the debt it will be necessary for the Board, when they pass their next annual appropriation and tax levy bill, to include the entire amount to be collected in one year.

Councilmen—  
Charles Haller  
Harry W. Bryce  
I. G. Heartt  
Delbert Austin  
W. C. Barber, Mayor  
Aubrey B. Snow, Attorney.

**HINSDALE COMES  
HERE FOR BOWLING  
MATCH SUN.**

Hinsdale will send a bowling quintet to the local alleys next Monday evening for a match game with Downers Grove bowlers. The series will begin at 8 p. m. and it is expected that the capacity of the reserved and bleacher seats will be taxed to accommodate the crowd.

**League Tightening Up.**  
In the bowling league Bertolin's Cubs are so far in the lead that they seem out of sight. The rest are pretty well bunched with three teams tied for second place.

**On The Side**  
Every game rolled now is a real game, the bleachers are always crowded.

Vix has no mercy on the pins.  
Hager has purchased a new ball and intends to go some.

Bo Schultz going some.  
McElroy puts the jazz on the ball and knocks 'em right and left.

Lehl is going good.  
Gahner is making a real bowler.

Dicke and Dad Walters are smoking good cigars on each others high games.

Gerwig is hitting them hard.  
C. Staiger (the lucky kid) is making many railroads.

**Standing of the Clubs.**

Bertolin's Cubs	14	4	778
Klein's Colts	10	8	555
Swearingen's Pace Makers	10	8	555
Dicke Tool Co.	10	8	555
Tholin's Hatters	8	10	444
Clarke's Clean 'Em's	8	10	444
Mochel's All Stars	7	11	388
Kidwell's Speeders	5	10	278

**Games of the Week.**

Klein's Colts vs. Swearingen's Pace Makers, November 4th.			
Schlauder	181	151	148
Severus	161	176	152
Druettel	180	157	131
P. Vix	138	182	138
Stump	151	169	191
Totals	811	835	761

Singleberry	227	146	169
Beidelman	138	168	157
Daley	144	140	137
Heal	158	115	170
Alderson	179	196	160
Totals	846	765	793

**Mochel's All Stars vs. Clarke's Clean 'Em's November 5th.**

L. Beidelman	14	155	142
Beha	154	198	151
E. Mochel	195	136	152
C. Staiger	164	150	153
Pulat	141	152	168
Totals	794	791	766

I. Shultz	175	159	177
R. Mochel	131	129	139
Hager	154	138	141
Brown	138	162	172
Holst	175	169	229
Totals	773	757	856

**Bertolin's Cubs vs. Tholin's Hatters  
November 6th.**

G. Vix	189	189	20
McElroy	140	125	191
Safransky	159	133	153
Brady	184	168	148
Bollow	164	141	187
Totals	836	756	870

**Dicke Tool Co. vs. Kidwell's Speeders,  
November 7th.**

Gahner	163	138	164
F. Shultz	121	150	125
Dicke	161	159	179
Walter	169	170	183
Near	159	159	127
Totals	773	776	778

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