

### KLEIN'S COLTS COP FIRST PLACE IN BOWLING LEAGUE

Bertolin's Cubs and Swearingen's Pace Makers Roll Off Tie For Second Place.

Winning from Bertolin's Cubs last Tuesday by one pin gave the title of Champions of the Downers Grove Bowling League to Klein's Colts captained by Al Stump. It took the final series to decide who would be entitled to first place on the league's roster.

An extra series was necessary to finally determine the team to have the honor of second place and the prize money that went with it. On Tuesday night Swearingen's Pace Makers and Bertolin's Cubs fought it out for second honors, the Cubs winning.

The final season's standings are:

Team	W	L	Pct.
Klein's Colts	49	35	583
Bertolin's Cubs	47	37	569
Swearingen Pace Makers	47	37	569
Clarke's Clean Ems	46	38	547
Tholin's Hatters	40	44	478
Dicke Tool Co.	39	45	466
Mochel's All Stars	37	47	440
Kidwell's Speeders	36	48	430

Team Averages

Colts—798	Hatters—789
P. Makers—786	Tool Co.—784
Cubs—786	All Stars—784
Clean Ems—792	Speeders—795

Prizes Won

First Place—\$40.00, Klein's Colts.
2nd Place—\$25.00, Bertolin's Cubs.
3rd Place—\$15.00, Pace Makers.
High Team Game, 956—\$10.00, Pace makers.
2nd High Team Game, 933—\$5.00, Tholin's Hatters.
High Individual Game—\$5.00, Alderson, 278.
High Individual Average, 3 games—\$5.00, Alderson, 225.
First Grand Average—\$10.00, Bunning, 184.
2nd—\$9.00, Stump, 179.
3rd—\$8.00, Geo. Vix, 172.
4th—\$7.00, Wells, 171.
5th—\$6.00, Alderson, 171.
6th—\$5.00, Holst, 168.
7th—\$4.00, Near, 166.
8th—\$3.00, Dicke, 165.
9th—\$2.00, Bollow, 165.
10th—\$1.00, Singletery, 162.

Those who participated in the season's shooting were:

Walters, F. Snultz, Near, Camp, Dicke, Gaehner, B. Shultz, H. Brown, Ray Mochel, Staats Hagar, Holst, C. Staiger, Bulat, Reha, Kingsley, L. Beidelman, E. Mochel, Stump, P. Vix, Severus, Schauder, J. Ehninger, Drettel, Bunning, Geo. Staiger, Iehl, Nash, Shanabrook, Bender, Foster, Pfaff, Bollow, G. Vix, McElroy, H. Fhninger, Safransky, Brady, B. Vix, Wells, Peterson, Johnstone, Bruns, Miley, Gerwig, Mrkavicka, R. Mochel, H. Beidelman, Alderson, Heal, Singletery, Timke, Daley.

Emery Klein, the originator of Klein's Richelieu presented A. Stump and company with a box of good cigars for their good showing during the season. "Butch" Klein was over at the alleys Tuesday and looked pretty pale until the Richelieu defeated the Cubs by one pin, then he left and was all smiles. Mr. Dicke is going to give a banquet early next fall to all bowlers of Downers Grove and a large and better league is expected next season. As there are a number of young bowlers showing a bit of class now. The bowling league

in general wants to thank Mr. Staats for his good work in putting out the scores and etc., which has been interesting to more than one.

### AUTOMATIC WIG-WAG AT MAPLE AVENUE CROSSING

Editor, Reporter, Downers Grove, Ill.

Dear Sir: At highway railroad crossing one mile east of Downers Grove we have installed and placed in operation an automatic wig-wag signal for the protection of the public. This signal consists of a red disk suspended over the highway and electrically connected with the track in such a way that when a train is approaching the disk swings from side to side like a pendulum and at the same time a bell rings. This keeps up continually until the train has passed over the crossing. At night the signal carries a red electric light and the swinging of the light over the highway shows that a train is coming.

The warning given by the swinging or "Wig-wagging" of the signal would seem unmistakable, yet at one place where we installed the device a man drove his team past it and continued across the track where a train missed striking him by only a few inches. He said that the swinging of the red disk had attracted his attention but he did not understand its meaning and supposed it was a signal for the railroad men.

In the interest of public safety will you kindly publish this letter to inform those who use the highway about this new signal and its meaning.

Yours truly, C. D. Peckenpaugh, Superintendent.

### A FIRE TRUCK FOR DOWNERS GROVE

The Downers Grove Fire Department, under the leadership of Chief Henry Dicke, is soliciting the village for contributions to be applied on the purchase of a modern automobile fire truck for use in the village.

One of the most potent arguments for the purchase of the apparatus is an item in The Reporter under the date of April 28, 1898. The item reads "The Board of Trustees have purchased of Hinsdale their hook and ladder truck for use of our fire department, the price paid being \$150. Reflect upon that little item for a moment and see what it means. We are still using equipment that was discarded by our neighboring village twenty-two years ago. If that wasn't good enough for Hinsdale in 1898, is it good enough for Downers Grove in 1920?"

The equipment mentioned has been in constant use during all these years and is now in a state bordering close onto decay. At any time while making the run to a fire it is liable to break in some important part and seriously injure, if not cause the death of some volunteer fireman. In a case like this the village would have a damage suit on its hands running into the thousands of dollars.

The village fathers have said that there is not sufficient income at present for them to authorize the purchase of a truck. One is needed and the firemen believe that the local residents have enough at stake to contribute to that end. They are making the drive now. You should help.

### EX-SERVICE MEN RESENT ACTION OF VILLAGE DADS

Write Letter Regarding Repeal of Ordinance Licensing Sale Of "Tailor-Mades."

C. H. Staats, Editor, Reporter.

Dear Sir: We suppose you know the Village Council at their Monday night's meeting repealed the ordinance licensing the sale of cigarettes locally.

What we rise to inquire is why? During the war every organization, almost without exception, were engaged in "sending cigarettes to soldiers and sailors." But of course that was when these boys were liable to "get bumped off" at any time and a few "pills" more or less would not hurt them.

There are some few of us, devotees of My Lady Nicotine, who live and work in the village. What would you have us do, send to Montgomery & Ward's for our smokes? You know we will smoke anyhow, and it is mighty inconvenient to run out of smokes and not be able to run down

to Bertolin's and replenish the supply.

Here is another angle, both Bertolin and Siebert, the only firm that handles cigarettes in the village, are ex-service men, Sam was in the army and Siebert in the navy. They are being done out of a profitable side of their trade.

Instead of repealing the ordinance, why didn't the Board accept Commissioner Bender's proposal and raise the age limit of sale to 21 years. That would have been satisfactory to everyone except the Parent-Teacher Association, from whom, we understand, Brothers Heartt, Haller and Bryce received their "HINT" to repeal the ordinance.

If there is one thing more than any other that an ex-service man holds dear it is "Personal Liberty," he had very little of it in the service. That is why the action of the Village Board gets so under the skin.

Two Ex-Service Men. The Army and The Navy.

On the Way. Read in the paper the other day about an aerial funeral? Well, that's a start in the right direction, anyway. —Fort Porter Reporter.

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