

Highland Park City Council.

Meeting April 4. All present. Minutes of previous meeting approved. Presentation of petition of the Chicago & Milwaukee Electric Railway Co., asking franchise to construct double tracks upon Railway avenue; also petition of property owners representing the frontage on the line of road contemplated. Accompanying said petitions the railway company submitted an ordinance for consideration of the council. The petition of the property owners was referred to the city attorney and clerk for verification, and the matter of the ordinance was referred to committee of the whole, with the mayor to preside, and publicity to be given through the News-Letter of the time said meeting will be held. Petition of the legal voters of Ravinia requesting the annexation of all that portion of land south of the city limits and east of the railroad right-of-way south to the Cook county line become a part of the city of Highland Park. Referred to finance committee to report thereon at next regular meeting. Petition of property owners representing the frontage on Dean avenue requesting the council to order a six-inch water main to be laid on said avenue. Referred to fire and water committee with power to act. Report of Board of Health on the condition of the city water supply was read and referred to the fire and water committee. The report of the fire and water committee on the petition of the Gray Electric Company, asking for a special low rate for water used for manufacturing purposes, was referred to finance committee. The report of the fire and water committee on sundry cases where service pipes were frozen between the water main and service box; committee recommended that the city pay the ing out the service pipes in such cases. Approved. Regarding claims for rebate on account of leakage council ordered claims be allowed. The proposition of A. W. Fletcher to purchase the city transit for \$100 cash was received and referred to the finance committee with power to act.

A resolution was passed providing for improving two roads running north and south through the city for bicyclists. It contemplated buying a scraper to scrape a path three feet wide. Partial report from special committee on the tramp nuisance was considered. A full consideration of the problem will be reviewed at next regular meeting. Bills favorably passed upon in the sum of \$485.76 were returned by auditing committee and council directed the clerk to draw on the treasurer in favor of claimants. Monthly requisition for supplies for the several departments were favorably acted upon, and the clerk was authorized to make the purchases. Adjourned.

Northwestern Military Academy.

Cadet Waterman gave an exhibition in swimming, (?) to a select audience last Saturday.

The school poet, Boyesen, is trying to ascertain the difference between cadet limits and the city limits.

Capt. Burke and the members of the band attended the concert given by Sousa's band at the Auditorium last Wednesday afternoon.

Invitations are out for a junior dance at Bournique's, which will be given Friday evening, April 14, the cadets of the Northwestern Military Academy to be the guests of honor.

With the exception of two cadets, who were detained at home on account of death in the family, all of the boys returned from their Easter vacation on time, as usual, and ready to "bone" for the remaining ten weeks.

Capt. and Mrs. Burke, Capt. and Mrs. Reddick, Mrs. R. P. Davidson and Cadet Captain Chidester were members of a jolly box party at the Studebaker last Wednesday night, to hear the opera of Faust.

The Chicago papers of last Saturday morning announced the death of Maj. Fulton, Hudson, Wis., whose illness was mentioned in this column last week. The entire school will sympathise with Corp. Fulton in the loss of his father.

Many of the upper classmen and the teachers were gratified to hear of the re-election of Mayor Samuel Jones of Toledo. Mayor Jones formed many friendships at the N. M. A. where he was a frequent visitor during the cadet days of his son Percy.

Sergt. John Ridgeway is certainly blessed with what the Col. calls puppy-to-a-root-ive ness. Twice in succession he has come within one of winning the Jewell medal, only to see some other man beat him by a scratch. Many a young man would have been discouraged and would have given up the fight, but not so with John. At the last period competitive drill held just before the cadets left last week for vacation, Sergt. Ridgeway had the satisfaction of drilling down all the corps and in consequence carried away the beautiful Jewell medal, which he had so long coveted. Sergt.

Fred Rice, the first winner of the medal, gained the second prize. Both of the boys are to be congratulated for their pluck.

The donor of the Jewell medal, Mr. A. C. Jewell, of Highwood, was at the period competition drill and saw for the first time, his medal won and awarded. Mr. Jewell has just returned from Russia. He informs us that he will soon remove to Moscow with his family taking up his residence there in the interest of the Jewell Filter Co. of Chicago.

The few bright days of the past week have developed two species of baseball crank. One class is content with nothing but active practice, while the others headed by Lomax, Hart and others are busily scanning the morning papers to see what Tim Donahue and big Bill Lang have been doing for the preceding twenty-four hours. The only trouble this year is that all our "fans" are strong supporters of the Chicago team and we miss the animated Chicago vs Cincinnati discussions of last year.

Many of the Park's sportsmen are putting their shot guns in condition for use in snipe shooting. The snipe have made their appearance already out near the skokie.

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