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**SKOKIE.**

The day for the boys' match has been changed from Tuesday to Saturday.

In the men's one-day handicap held last Monday Colonel W. V. Jacobs won the first flight; J. E. Blunt, jr., the second; and George H. Leslie the third flight.

In the one-ball sweepstakes men's handicap last Saturday afternoon the first was won by Colonel W. V. Jacobs, second by E. N. Kimbark and third by M. S. Orth.

The second day of the tennis tournament has been postponed until a week from Saturday, September 13. There will be five prizes—three cups, a tennis racket and one dozen tennis balls.

In the professionals' match James Watson, the professional of Skokie, won second distance in the driving contest, and would have won first had his ball not been stopped by a spectator whom it struck at a distance of 245 yards. The record was 252 yards distance.

Next Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock the qualifying round for the president's cup will be played, best 16 to qualify for the president's cup, and the second best 16 for the directors' cup. The winner of the president's cup will be considered the champion of the club until the similar contest next year.

Tuesday last the qualifying round was played by the ladies for the members' cup, handicap, 18 holes. Miss Grace Leslie made a score of 43 in first nine holes in the regular course, which is virtually the record for the season. Those who qualified were as follows: Mesdames Knapp, Allison, F. W. Copeland, Clarence Morse, W. V. Jacobs, B. L. Miller, and Misses Lord and Leslie. The first round of match play will be next Monday.

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING.**

The regular meeting of the city council was held Tuesday evening. In the absence of Mayor Evans, and at his request, Alderman Everett presided.

The officers present were Aldermen Moses, Everett, Turner, Warren, Woodruff, Shields and Morton. Absent, Mayor Evans, Alderman Brand and Attorney Smoot.

Two petitions were presented to the council, signed by many of the property owners of the city, requesting that immediate action be taken toward the improving of the sanitary condition of the city water supply. This was referred to the fire and water committee, and it was further resolved that said committee be authorized to have the intake water main examined and that \$35 be appropriated for that purpose.

A communication was received from Olaf Lindbloom complaining of the unsightly condition of the parkway on the north side of Walnut avenue, west of Second street. This was referred to the streets and alley committee.

It was agreed that the matter of locating the water valves and sewer connections of the city by having a plat made be referred to the fire and water committee for report at the next regular meeting of the council.

A number of sidewalk ordinances were passed.

**THE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.**

The Lake county democratic convention was held in the town hall at Libertyville Thursday morning September 4. D. A. Brady presided as chairman of the meeting, and the following ticket was nominated; for judge, J. C. James, of Antioch; for clerk, Albert Sauer, of Vernon; for treasurer, Henry Seip, of Lake Zurich; for sheriff John H. Sheahen, of Highland Park; for superintendent of schools, George T. Rogers, of Waukegan. The delegates were instructed to vote for McDermott at the next senatorial convention.

**TRIUMPH OF SKILL.**

Novel Product of Mechanical Ingenuity in a London Residence.

A curious piece of mechanical luxury has been set up in Sir James Blyth's home in Portland place, London, by means of which the dining-room can noiselessly double its size. One saunters down to drink a cup of coffee (so a contemporary describes it), and finds a spacious and well-proportioned room papered in warm crimson and hung with handsome pictures. There is a door of communication with the adjoining room, on either side of which hangs a large picture in a heavy gold frame. The floor is polished, and a thick carpet comes within a yard of the wall all round. The coffee is excellent, but one doubts its potency when, on turning round, one is confronted by the partitioning wall, doors, pictures, and all half way through the floor! Silently it sinks below, and no flaw in the polished and even floor is perceptible! Only the crimson walls are twice as long, and there are bordered carpets. It is the most perfect triumph of mechanical skill.

**Was Wu's Name Explained?**

Mr. Wu Ting-Fang acquired his pungent English in London, says the Chronicle, of that city. He was a student in the Middle Temple in 1876, and was known by his proper and unpronounceable name of Ng Choy. Subsequently, after he had entered the public service of his country at Tientsin and had been promoted to be a mandarin, he followed the custom of adopting an official name. Ting-Fang is said to mean "hall fragrance," and is intended to indicate that the one so designated is so sweet and eminent a lawgiver that the sweet savor of his reputation "fills the court." A penny weekly in search of novelties might do worse than offer a prize for official names for our public men.

**FATAL TEMPERATURES.**

Degrees of Heat and Cold at Which Life Cannot Be Long Sustained.

At what point does life begin? So far as regards space or time, the question is unanswerable, states the London Telegraph. Only a few years ago it would have been said that in regard to that seemingly essential condition of life temperature we did know pretty nearly a superior and inferior limit. Little of life is there below the freezing point of water, and far above or below these critical points

be destroyed. When our greatest physicist, in 1871, suggested that seeds of plants might have been borne to this world in a far-distant age, the hypothesis seemed incredible, because the temperature of space, being at least as low as minus 140 degrees Centigrade, would be fatal to life in any form. This is not so. Recently at the Jenner institute bacteria have been frozen in liquid air and even in liquid hydrogen, and on the application of heat and placed in proper media have germinated. The processes of life were arrested, but the nascent life-energy was not destroyed at 200 degrees Centigrade, say, 360 degrees Fahrenheit of frost. Experiments are now being made to find whether long continuance for months or years in such cold takes away the vitalism of these lowest forms of life.

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W H Murphy to F N Tomlinson, lot 40, blk 8, South Waukegan—s wd.....	1 00
Ada J Hogan and husband to Mary Schwartz et al lot 2, blk 17, piact "D", Highwood—wd	2000 00
Julia A Thatcher to Anna S Thatcher, 3 lots in Lake Bluff—wd.....	1 00

**Was Weak in Mathematics.**

The Atlanta Constitution the other day received the following letter: "Sur an Friend—Do the Carnegie liberrary lend Books techin Matthewmattics to Outside your Citie? I want Onlie Books on Matthewmattics, as I am all right on spellin and am a purty good Grammatician, if I do say it Miself. I kin Spel an Grammarize, but Matthewmattics is one too Much for Me."

**Speed of Earthquake Shocks.**

Careful scientific investigations show that the average speed of the transmission of earthquake shocks is nearly 16,000 feet a second.