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LOCAL NEWS NOTES.

Insure your property with W. E. Brand, Agent.

The annual camp meeting will be held at Des Plaines from July 15 to 27, inclusive.

A number of Deerfield people attended the Sunday school convention here last Sunday.

Recent decisions by the Supreme Court held it unlawful for any club to sell liquor to its members or its guests.

Next week all the lovely school ma'ns hie away to their homes for the summer and life here will be one long dreary Sahara.

Miss Dora Neibhur, of Wheeling, Ill., is on a two weeks visit to her sister, Miss Lizzie Neibhur, at the home of Mr. A. Robertson.

Miss Priscilla Carver entertained last week her cousins, Miss Hattie Calkins, Messrs. Frank and Hugh Calkins, of Washington, D. C.

Monday, June 15, Mr. Albert A. Sprague, II, took possession of the home of Mrs. Henry C. Carver, which he has rented for the summer.

Mrs. William B. White, of "Rose Glen," gave an "at home" Wednesday afternoon, from 4 until 6 o'clock. The Smith sisters, of Chicago, furnished the music.

During July and August the Highland Park Bank will close at 12 o'clock, noon, on Saturdays and also all day the Fourth, and Labor Day, September 7th.

Don't forget tax paying reader, that the sale of delinquent taxes begins next Monday, June 22, at the court house in Waukegan. No discrimination on account of color, place of birth or previous condition of servitude.

The new city marshal, John Nelson, bears his new honors with name-ly dignity and will preserve the city's

reputation as one of its officers. "John" has made a first class policeman and we trust he will fill the bill as marshal in the same satisfactory manner.

Alexander Robertson has sold his lumber yard lot up at Highwood to the Electric railroad at a very satisfactory price. He has purchased another house and large lot on the west side, but has not yet decided whether he will open a new lumber yard up there.

There is baseball club what claims to hail from this city. They call themselves the Emeralds. This club happened to meander away from home, Waukegan was where they landed, but the "West End" club landed on them 12 to 1. And they walked home feeling like infants.

Another lot for the new public library building has been discovered. It is D. M. Erskine's 150 foot lot in the center of the McDonald west half of block 25. The only way to get to it is through a 15 foot alley, which Mr. Bournique wants thrown up. No automobiles would trouble it.

It seems, from the complaints which reach us that a species of vandalism prevails. Some of our citizens parkways are being disfigured, their flower beds robbed, plants torn up by the roots, etc. One woman says she knows the culprits. Have them arrested and fined according to law.

A friendly neighbor has interested herself in behalf of the Ravinia school and secured to it for a time the use of the organ in the nearby church. The same good fairy has offered to play it in the accompanying of their singing. Such cheering help will inspire them to do their best.

The American express company's business is having a most healthy

growth in this city. In May '03 they sold nearly three times as many money orders as in the same month in 1902, when their freight receipts were over \$300 greater for that month this year than they were last year.

The fine sample of home grown strawberries sent to the NEWS LETTER office by Mrs. Jacob Vetter yesterday reminds us of the good old boyhood days when we picked them back in New York state. Mrs. Vetter has a large patch just ready for picking and is supplying a great many east side families.

Postmaster Fletcher proposes a new order of things, namely, the giving of each one of his clerks a weeks vacation on full pay, with other emoluments. This is such an innovation on the old order of things, that it may shock some folks; but the clerks are delighted. Miss Alice Evans will fill vacancies during the vacation era.

Next week, Wednesday, comes the cottage commencement at Lake Forest. The alumni will fittingly celebrate Prof. Halsey's 25 years services as a teacher in the college. Last year he was "loaned" by Lake Forest to the Leland Stanford University of California. The academy boys and Ferry Hall girls celebrate a week later, June 29th and 30th.

On Thursday afternoon Mrs. W. T. Underwood took to the Ravinia school her collection of shells recently gathered on the west coast of Florida and told the children in a most delightful way about their life, history and habits. She then presented to the school a pretty collection of some of the most typical, and it has been added with pride to the specimens in their growing cabinet.

Down at the Convocation of the University of Chicago, Tuesday, while listening in the great tent to a brilliant address, a heavy shower

came up and the water came in sheets and streams through the old canvas and we raised our choice umbrella for protection and two bright lovely co-eds stole under it and then passed a delightful half hour, and we were actually sorry when the storm clouds passed.

The great Northwestern university at Evanston invited its old Alumni back for commencement day and a banquet Wednesday. Hence, Professor William King, the chief of the postoffice put on his Sunday clothes, brushed his hair and shined his boots and made for the college city, to get his fill of commencement oratory, eat cull sandwiches and drink Sunday school lemonade or sewing society tea.

Miss Bertha Sylvia Chapman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Chapman, for several years residents of this city up in the Prussing house on the Sheridan Road, was married at the family home, 678 La Salle avenue, Chicago, Tuesday afternoon to Capt. Frederick G. Skipwith, of the Royal Warwickshire regiment. They sail in the Etruria today for England accompanied by Miss Grace and Mr. Walter A. Chapman. Miss Grace is to be married July 7th to Lieut. H. E. Morritt of the same regiment.

Ex-mayor Cobb, who helped out on the assessor's work says the increase this year was as follows: Personal \$10,075; real, acres, \$13,000; Real, lots, \$165,000. Most of the real is on vacant and unimproved lots. Heretofore the residents have not only improved their own property and paid their taxes, but their improvements have enhanced very greatly the value of the unimproved lots, which have been assessed at merely a nominal value and paid very light taxes. Hence the old system practically put on extra tax or fine on residents who improved their property, for the benefit of owners of vacant lots.