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## New Term At The High School

The Township High School will open and regular work begin on Monday, September 10th, at 9 a. m. The faculty will be the same in number as heretofore, and there are few changes in the personal. Miss Augusta Stewart, teacher of Latin and ancient history, will be absent studying in Rome till Christmas time; her sister will act as substitute teacher till she returns. Mr. C. W. Shipman was last spring elected superintendent of schools in Irons, Michigan. His place is filled by Mr. W. Bryan. Mr. Bryan comes highly recommended. He made an excellent record as a teacher in the Lake township High School, later took advanced work in science at the University of Chicago, and had recently received a call to the Michigan College of Mines as instructor in science when he decided to come to Deerfield instead.

Several students of the class of 1906 will enter college this fall, Michigan, Illinois, Minnesota, Northwestern and Smiths College being the schools they have decided on. Dan Cobb's many friends will be glad to know that in the Harvard Rank List his name appears five times among the honor students for excellence in as many subjects. In one study he is at the head of his class; in another second best. He aims to complete the course in three years. Follette Bradley '06, has also distinguished himself in scholarship. At Annapolis he was the only one of his group of six presidential alternates to pass the entrance examinations, obtaining a mark of 3.434 out of a possible 4.000, the pass mark being 2.500. He is now cruising as a midshipman.

The class of '06, through their committee, has presented to the school a beautiful replica of "The Grail Castle" one of Abbey's celebrated paintings in the Boston library. The new picture is about twelve feet long and cost in the neighborhood of one hundred dollars. The money was raised by the class-play, "Twelfth Night", which was presented at Ravinia last spring.

## Opening At Racine

The opening of the Racine extension of the Chicago & Milwaukee Electric Railroad at Racine last Saturday was one of the most important events in the history of the road. Nearly 500 guests, including all the prominent officials of the North Shore from Chicago to Milwaukee, attended the opening in special cars and partook of the hospitality for which President A. C. Frost is noted on occasions of this sort.

On the arrival of the guests at Racine, an eight course luncheon was served in Dania hall, followed by speeches and toasts. Mayor Peter B. Nelson of Racine officiated as toastmaster, and delivered the address of welcome. Following Mr. Nelson, toasts

were responded to by Captain Anson of Chicago, Alderman Dyke of Evanston, Judge Pease of Highwood, Mayor Jackson of Lake Forest, Charles Whitney of Waukegan, Judge Slater of Kenosha, Mr. Boch of Milwaukee, Mr. Schonenger of Milwaukee, Judge Barnes of Zion City, ex-city attorney Walker of Racine, and Senator Frier, representing the state of Wisconsin. Mr. Frost was the last speaker of the afternoon.

After the speaking the guests again boarded the special cars and went to Ravinia Park, where supper was served in the ball room of the Casino. Afterward the guests attended the Thomas concert in the Auditorium.

Manager E. C. Welsh of the Casino had charge of the catering at Racine and at Ravinia Park.

The Chicago & Milwaukee Electric Railroad is a practical illustration of what may be accomplished by modern energy and progressiveness. Starting from a small extent of single track, its promoters have built up an electric railroad system that is unexcelled, and the end is not yet.

In speaking of the system, President Frost said, in his address at Racine:

"The road now operates 140 miles of track connecting twenty-three cities and towns. The south end, from Waukegan to Evanston, has been in operation eight years. Since 1898 we have improved, in fact practically rebuilt, the entire system, making it an entire double track road, of the best standard steam railroad construction. We are now grading three miles north of Racine, and will reach Milwaukee next September. Evanston is now the southern terminal; but we expect to enter the City of Chicago next year.

"We have built the best road that money and skill can produce, and shall give the people of Racine the very best service the traffic will justify. While the road is principally passenger, we now handle considerable freight. The latter branch is rapidly developing, principally by encouraging industries to locate along the road. The road is planned for a four track service, two for express and two for local and freight traffic."

## Indian Bones Uncovered

Walter O'Neill has procured another Indian relic to add to his large collection of antiquities.

Recently while hauling gravel at Halfday, workmen uncovered the bones of three human beings. They were found deep down in the earth, and are evidently the bones of Indians buried there before the coming of the white man.

Mr. O'Neill has secured all the bones of one of the skeletons and is preparing to have it mounted. He now has the skull in his store, and it is a gruesome object as Walter presents it for your inspection.—Lake Forester.

## Racine Revisited

George Hesler of Ravinia, who was a guest of the Chicago & Milwaukee Electric Railroad at Racine, visited that city for the second time in his life last Saturday. The story of his first visit, when he entered Racine as a shipwrecked barefoot boy, reads like a page from Victor Hugo.

Forty-eight years ago, in 1848, Mr. Hesler, then a boy of 17, came to this country with his parents from Bavaria, Germany. On their arrival in this country they set out for the new country of the west, taking a steamer at Detroit for the voyage through the Great Lakes to Chicago. All went well until, just opposite Racine, the steamer went aground on a bar, some ways from the shore. After staying for two days on the ship, while means were being taken to float the steamer, the weather became stormy, and the passengers, George Hesler among them, were landed, not without danger, they were welcomed with hospitality in the huts of the little colony of fishermen who formed the nucleus of the city of Racine, which is today a city of 39,000 inhabitants and one of the principal lake ports of Wisconsin.

## Western Circuit Meeting

One of the greatest harness meetings of the west has been arranged by the Libertyville Trotting Association on its new mile track at Libertyville for September, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22.

This is probably the best high class racing that has ever been seen in the middle west since the old Derby days. Horses have been entered from nearly every state in the union to compete for the \$27,000 in purses.

There will be special train service to the grounds.

## Big Damage Suit Started

A suit for \$100,000 is the outgrowth of the collision between an electric car and an automobile in which H. B. Slaughter and Gabriel L. Slaughter and his wife were seated. The latter was killed and the two other occupants seriously injured. The accident occurred at the Noyes street crossing in Evanston August 12th.

At the inquest a coroner's jury exonerated the railway company from blame and censured the husband for reckless driving.

Now the husband has begun a suit for damages for the above amount against the electric company. He hopes to reverse the finding of the coroner's jury and clear himself from blame in the affair.