

Chicago had manufactured gas when its population was only 23,047. Better illumination is urged to prevent drowsiness in church. Damage from coal smoke costs Chicago \$20,000,000 annually. The world's longest telephone circuit is between Chicago and Los Angeles.

One-fourth of Harvard University's surplus funds are invested in public utility funds. To prevent rust in a gas stove, leave oven doors open for a few minutes after burners are lighted. More than 150,000 electric lamps are used to light the steamship Leviathan.

MAY MAKE \$59,700 PAVING IMPROVEMENT

COUNCIL RECEIVES BIDS

Name of Woodland Ave. May Be Changed to "Woodland Road" As Result Of Resident's Petition

A resolution providing for paving improvement which will amount to approximately \$59,700, was adopted at the last meeting of the Board of Local Improvements Friday afternoon. The proposed improvement, which will have a public hearing in the city hall September 19 at 5:15 p. m., calls for the construction of concrete reinforced pavement in St. John's avenue from Cedar avenue to Roger Williams avenue; Ava street from Judson avenue to St. Johns avenue; Marshman street from Judson avenue to St. Johns avenue.

A public petition requesting extension of the water main in the County Line road and the Village of the Wood subdivision was received and action was postponed until a later date.

The members of the Board present were Commissioners Cheney, Card and Preston. At the opening of the meeting Commissioner Cheney was elected to preside at the meeting in the absence of Mayor Hastings.

Bids for contracts for sewer construction in Burton avenue, Broadview avenue, Green Bay road, Roger Williams avenue, Highland Park place, Washington place, Northmoor road and Flora place were received and placed on file for 48 hours before being awarded. Bids were also received and placed on file for the contract for the water line construction in County Line road, Green Bay road, Burton avenue, Braeside road, Ridgewood drive, Oak Grove, Broadview avenue, Pleasant avenue, Washington place, Roger Williams avenue and Hillside drive.

The Melloy Construction company, on motion of Commissioner Card, was allowed payment of \$3,317.98 on their contract for construction of a water main extension in Lakewood drive.

The name of Woodland avenue may be changed to "Woodland Road" as a result of a public petition of the residents on that road which was presented at the Friday meeting of the city council. The matter was referred to the corporation counsel with instructions to prepare the necessary ordinance. Commissioner Cheney presided at the session in the absence of Mayor Hastings.

Commissioner Preston moved that Commissioner Card be authorized to proceed with the work of repairing the storm water drain in First street between Laurel and Central avenues. The motion was carried.

An ordinance was passed providing for the laying of water lines in Deerfield road, Deerfield place, Lawrence avenue, Division street, Golf avenue, Bob O'Link Road, Yaeger avenue, Birch avenue, Deerfield court, Skokie Valley road, Western avenue, Blodgett place and Deerfield avenue.

Provision for the levying of taxes for 1924 was made. Payment was allowed for the bill accruing since July 1, totalling \$24,352.38.

IS TO DISTRIBUTE BOYHOOD SURVEY

Scout Lecturer and Author to Present New Work at Conference

Dr. H. W. Hurt, lecturer and editor of the handbook for scoutmasters, is preparing a survey on Boyhood to present to the scout executives at their Third Biennial conference to be held in Estes Park, Colo., September 6-15th. The survey will deal with the boyhood of the nation between the ages of 12 and 20. Some of the topics included will be the number of boys in school and at work; the number connected with leisure time movements such as scouting, Y. M. C. A., settlement clubs, etc.; the number of boys who are church members; the underprivileged boys; the juvenile delinquents; the older boys; younger boys and other problems.

It is expected that this survey will widen the vision and render more effective the work of the scout executives as well as be of service to all workers with boys.

DYNAMITE SCARES LOON LAKE FOLKS

Twelve Sticks of Explosive in Cottage Found by Officers Last Week

Residents on the west bank of Loon Lake slept little last Wednesday night. Sheriff Ahlstrom found 12 sticks of dynamite, enough to blow up Antioch township, in a cottage there.

The sheriff couldn't find the owner, and neighbors had also made themselves scarce after the report of the finding of the explosive.

A man who had been working in the neighborhood told the sheriff that the dynamite was being used for blowing stumps.

The sheriff made inquiry as to the owner of the cottage, and the workman assured the official that he would see to it that the owner removed the dynamite without "delay."

The original tip concerning the location of the dynamite came from Chicago police officers.

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By
Edward
McCullough
AUTCASER



BENEFITS ARE MANY FROM ELECTRICITY

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The benefits we derive from electricity are too many and too multifarious to calculate. Without electricity there could be no such thing as the modern American "skyscraper." It could not be lighted, nor even provided with elevators. It would be a vast tower, with human flies crawling up and down dark stairs, and of course ridiculous as far as concerned its utility for housing offices and business places. Without electricity we would be without many of our conveniences and comforts, ranging from burglar alarm to street car; from electric mangle to radio.

The total consumption of electricity throughout the world is approximately 125 thousand million kilowatt-hours of electrical energy. Of that amount from 15 to 20 per cent is used for lighting purposes and from 80 to 85 per cent for power in the industrial activities. The United States uses more than one-half of the total electrical power produced.

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Although located just outside the city limits of Springfield, the Illinois State Fair and its environs will assume, September 13 to 20, inclusive, all the functional aspects of a municipality.

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RECALLS DAYS WHEN CARS HORSE-DRAWN

Franchises Required Companies to Repairs Streets between Rails Then

The revision of four Illinois street railway franchises recalls the days of horse-drawn street cars, when the "superintendent of motive power" was the "stable boss."

In Galesburg, Belleville, Aurora and Plainfield the franchise provision that the railways must construct and maintain pavement between the rails was discarded and this cost placed on the real users of the pavement. When the original franchises were drawn, the iron-shod-horses damaged the paving bricks and the transportation companies paid the damage.

COST HIM MONEY TO HEAR CORN GROWING

It cost Alex Watson, a miner, \$70 to hear Livingston county corn growing in the moonlight.

Watson, according to his story to Streator police was invited to take a ride into the country and "listen to the corn growing" by Frank Collins. While he had his ears tuned for the phenomenal noise, Watson complained his pocketbook containing \$70 was picked.

Collins and three friends were retained by police to explain the strange occurrence.

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