

BRIEF NEWS ITEMS FROM LAKE COUNTY

NEIGHBORHOOD JOTTINGS

Interesting Happenings in This Section of the North Shore And At County Seat Mentioned

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wells celebrated their silver wedding on New Year's day at their home at Prairie View.

Isabel Clarke, 217 McKinley avenue, Libertyville, died last week. Frances E. and James L. Clarke, brothers, survive. The funeral services were Friday.

Lake county reported five new cases of smallpox to the state department of public health at Springfield last week. Four of these five new cases were reported from Waukegan.

Frank T. Fowler is the new secretary-manager of the Waukegan-North Chicago chamber of commerce. This action was taken last week by a unanimous vote of the board of directors.

The four Waukegan banks and the one in North Chicago smashed another record during 1924 when their combined resources climbed to \$11,798,491.09, according to the reports of the various institutions at the close of business Dec. 31. This is a gain of \$113,121.56.

Samuel J. Hallock, 89, died last week at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Horace Bulkley, of Libertyville. He had lived in that village many years. Funeral services were held Friday at the home at 1 o'clock with burial in Rosehill cemetery.

The Waukegan Elks are planning to start their building plans this year and there is a possibility that work of construction may be started early in 1926, according to plans discussed at the meeting last week. The Elks have decided to build a new clubhouse costing not less than \$225,000 and not more than \$350,000.

Lake Bluff led a list of 115 cities in the school banking roll for the month of December, according to data compiled and published in this month's issue of the Thrift Almanac. Lake Bluff had a percentage of participation of 99.1 per cent.

PLANNING SCHOOL FOR SCOUT LEADERS

Course of Ten Sessions For Men Who Seek Training; Open To Lake County

If there is one thing more essential to carrying on Boy Scout activities than any other, it is the leader who is trained in getting to scouts the real scout program.

The Waukegan-North Chicago scout council has recognized that to be true and has planned through its leadership and training committee to conduct a course for the training of scout leaders open to all men in Lake county. This course is to consist of a series of ten evening meetings, beginning on Monday, January 19, and continuing for two nights a week—Mondays and Thursdays—for five weeks.

Certificates will be awarded at the end of the course to all who have attended at least 75% of the meetings. These certificates are issued by the department of education of the national council of Boy Scouts, whose headquarters is in New York; and qualifies a man for becoming a troop committee man, scoutmaster, assistant scoutmaster, or deputy scout commissioner.

The course is only for those who definitely want to become leaders of troops, but also for anyone who wishes to become more familiar with what scouting is.

It is hoped that there will be registrants for the course from all of the organized communities of the county: Antioch, Area, Barrington, Deerfield, Fox Lake, Grayslake, Highland Park, Highwood, Lake Bluff, Lake Forest, Lake Villa, Lake Zurich, Libertyville, North Chicago, Round Lake, Wauconda, Waukegan, Winthrop Harbor and Zion.

If you wish to "sign up" write to W. E. Blodgett, scout executive, Box 375, Waukegan, Ill., and give him your name as one wishing to take this training.

ADJUDICATION NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the Subscriber Executor of the Estate of Harriet O. Schumacher deceased will attend the Probate Court of Lake County, at a term thereof to be holden at the Court House in Waukegan, in said County, on the first Monday of April next, 1925, when and where all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to present the same to said Court for adjudication.

BOWEN W. SCHUMACHER, Executor of the Estate of Harriet O. Schumacher deceased. Waukegan, Illinois, January 12, 1925.

Congress is planning to speed up its work, but that does not prove that it will be moving very fast.

Many pupils do not like arithmetic much, but they are all willing to learn enough so they can tell their father's automobile number.

RIDE TOO MUCH FOR GOOD OF OUR HEALTH

So Declares State Commissioner In Report; More Exercise Is Advised

Nature is an exacting task maker says the state health commissioner. She has decreed that a man shall do a certain amount of physical work, eat a certain amount of clean, wholesome food, spend a certain amount of time in the open air and sunshine, sleep for a certain length of time and keep himself reasonably clean. She has given a fair range of latitude between the maximum and minimum limits of these activities but he who persists in going to extremes in either direction is flirting with disaster.

Too many miles on wheels and too few on foot; too many hours in the easy chair and too few on the golf links or the wood pile; too many square meals and too little time for digestion; too many nights at the movies or the dance hall and too few in bed; too much work and too little play or too much play and too little work; too much fire in the furnace and too little ventilation; too much dirt and too little soap and water—these are some of the things that nature condemns for a while, but which she ultimately vetoes by the very effective method of stealing away the health of the fellow who has over-indulged. One fellow is punished with diabetes, another with heart disease, a third suffers from hardening of the arteries and a fourth gets pneumonia.

Short cuts to health via the pill box route end up in a wreck at the graveyard crossing. The human body will not stand up under abuse any more than a high powered automobile.

Nineteen out of 38 states in the Union had higher death rates than did Illinois last year. Among the 19 were 3 next door neighbors—Indiana, Michigan and Missouri. Iowa and Kentucky reported lower rates. The rate in New York was 13; for Pennsylvania was 13.3; for Illinois it was 12. These statistics are from the federal bureau of the census.

GENERAL CONDITION OF ROADS OUTLINED

Pavement of Grand avenue to the subway at Gurney, and over the newly constructed bridge, approximately one-half mile.

Making a total of nearly eleven miles.

Three blocks of paved streets, forming a cut-off to avoid bad railroad crossings were built in Barrington, but the improvement not entirely completed on account of cold weather.

Bond Issue Roads Route No. 21, between Libertyville and Rollins, approximately 5 and one-half miles, and Belvidere road from Volo to the County line, approximately 1 and one-half miles, making a total of 7 miles or nearly 18 miles of new concrete roads in Lake county.

Other Work On the Rockland road approximately two miles of heavy grading work was done on the re-location going into Libertyville, and the new bridge over the Desplaines river carried well on to completion; the top remains to be put on but forms are all ready and concrete will probably be poured when the weather moderates.

A fine new concrete bridge was built in the town of Fremont by county aid to that township.

Maintenance Department New gravel outfit was set up in the town of Antioch and later in the town of Newport, and operated throughout the season, but to considerable disadvantage on account of extremely wet weather and high water. However about 12 miles of road were gravelled or repaired for the county and townships.

Eight patrol sections were in effect during the season, maintaining approximately fifty miles of designated state aid roads that are unpaved.

A large tractor and grader outfit was operated throughout the season grading township and county roads, improving from 15 to 20 miles of roads.

The county roller outfit was operated chiefly along the North Shore scarifying and re-surfacing stone roads.

WOULD KILL LION WITH BOW & ARROW

Chicago Man Practicing Archery For That Purpose Is Report

To kill a lion with a bow and arrow is the ambition of Stanley E. Graham, of Chicago, who has been practicing archery on the Northwestern university campus here under the direction of Prof. Elmer E. Jones, an archery expert. Graham has killed Mexican lions with rifles and pistols, and even claims to have downed the big cats with a half-nelson after throwing a coat over their heads, but he has never brought one to earth with an arrow.

A seventy pound bow of great power and steel-tipped arrows are being used by Graham in his training for the lion hunt. He has driven missiles through a thick target from a distance of 200 feet.

Graham, a widely known hunter and adventurer, plans to leave soon for Amado, Arizona, where his pack of lion dogs is in training.

U. S. EXPORTS SHOW HEAVY INCREASES

FOREIGN TRADE IS SAFE

Last Year's Record Indicates Biggest Total in History Of Any Normal Year, Report Says

With exports of more than a billion dollars in excess of imports, the foreign trade of the United States in 1924 was the greatest of any normal year in the history of the nation, the department of commerce announced today.

Foreign commerce for 1924 was \$8,225,000,000, bringing the total since the war to \$78,817,000,000. Exports exceeded imports by \$18,228,000,000 in the six-year period.

The favorable balance of trade was exceeded in the war years and in 1919, 1920 and 1921, but officials pointed out that period cannot be considered in a comparative analysis of commerce, since then European production practically was at a standstill.

Big Export Trade This country exported commodities valued at approximately \$4,650,000,000 an increase of 12 percent over 1923 and 115 percent over the average for five years before the war.

Imports were \$3,575,000,000, a decrease of five per cent from 1923. That year was described as one of abnormally high importation of raw materials and foodstuffs largely to supply deficiencies in stocks that had developed during preceding depressions.

"The percentage by which exports exceeds imports has been somewhat greater than before the war, notwithstanding the fact that we no longer have to pay by export of commodities large balances for interest and dividends on investments of foreigners in this country and for shipping," E. D. Durand, statistical research expert of the department, declared.

Foreign Investments "Our foreign customers have reimbursed approximately one-quarter of the merchandise balance by sending us gold, but the principal factor going to offset the export surplus has been our new investments in foreign countries, which are estimated at more than a billion dollars last year.

"Notwithstanding this great increase in our demand for foodstuffs and raw materials, such as we cannot produce, notwithstanding the large expenditures of American tourists abroad, and the heavy remittances of immigrants to their home countries, for all of which we must pay by export of commodities, we still are able to produce so abundantly that we can devote large sums to increasing permanently our national assets in the form of holdings abroad."

And said that there has been little change in the average level of export prices as compared with 1923 "so that the heavy export is almost wholly due to the shipment of greater quantities."

Since export prices are higher than before the war the quantitative increase over the pre-war average is about 22 percent.

Growth Rapid The growth of the export trade has been more rapid than population, contrasting strikingly with the decline in exports of practically all other leading commercial nations. Most foreign nations enjoyed better trade in 1924 than the year before, but their averages were appreciably below pre-war figures, according to Durand.

WAUKEGAN MAY GET STATE ARMORY SOON

National Guard Captain Thinks Chances Good For Erection Of Building There

Waukegan's chances of getting a \$300,000 armory, to be provided by the state, are good and its construction is practically assured, according to a statement made Tuesday evening by Capt. John C. Burt, head of the Waukegan Howitzer company at a meeting of the National guardsmen.

Capt. Burt said that the city has offered a free site, and that this is located at the corner of Sheridan road and Grand avenue, being on the east side of Sheridan road.

Representative William F. Weiss has had the matter before the house, Capt. Burt said, and the proposition looks exceptionally promising.

A petition is to be circulated by the Waukegan guardsmen and will have to contain 10,000 signatures, to show that this city wants an armory.

BIRTH RATES IN U. S.

Birth rates in the United States are highest among coal miners and people engaged in closely allied occupations. The lowest rates are found among architects, actors, dentists and physicians. According to statistics furnished by the federal bureau of the census the average number of children in the families of coal miners between 45 and 50 years of age is 6.6, while for dentists, physicians and surgeons the average number of children is 3. In other words, the miner usually has a family twice as large as the professional man.

MUCH SUFFERING IN NEAR EAST REPORTED

Crowded Conditions Causes A Halt in Moving Refugees; Orphans Destitute

The holiday season in Bible Lands finds more widespread suffering and want than at any time since the days of Christ. The serious need among refugees in Greece and Palestine is shown in telegrams received here from Athens and Jerusalem, through the Near East Relief. One of these telegrams says:

"Owing to overcrowded conditions in Salonika, the authorities are refusing to disembark newly arrived refugees. Blizzards are reported from western Macedonia. Arriving refugees are practically all women and children. Large numbers are without ration cards, and refugee kitchens are unable to cope with the need."

A telegram from Kavalla, Greece, says: "Has the League of Nations any available funds to care for the twenty-five neediest orphans? I counted today sixty new graves in a village which has been occupied only twenty days by 1500 formerly prosperous Greeks from the region of Konia, Turkey, who arrived impoverished and weakened by two years of oppression and refugeeism. The group has forty children recently orphaned and 80 widows with children. Twenty per cent of the people are sick and all are living in tents. The local government is using its utmost resources wisely, but is inadequate. Can you suggest some means of caring for the twenty-five neediest orphans?"

TEST CASE STARTED OVER SWAMP LANDS

County Begins Action to Determine Property Rights In These Tracts

In order to determine for all time the status of the swamp lands of Lake county, whether they belong to the county or to the squatters, involving property valued at possibly more than \$2,000,000, the opening guns in the big battle were fired last week in circuit court.

The much mooted question is to be fought to final decision through the case of Frank W. Hatch against the County of Lake, in which Hatch claims title to several hundred acres of land in the region of Grass Lake, Hatch claims title by right of hostile possession for more than 60 years, during which time he and others have paid taxes thereon.

Atty. S. H. Block, assistant state attorney, and Arthur Bulkley, special assistant to State Attorney Smith, have been authorized to go into the case fully enough so that the final decision in the Hatch case will serve as a precedent for all other claims not only in this but the other counties of the state.

More than 70 years ago the government ceded the swamp lands to the state, and then the state passed it on to the counties. The entire proposition was left vague and indefinite, and for that reason the fight in the Hatch case will be an interesting one from a legal standpoint in the establishment of the exact status of the swamp land ownership.

MORTGAGE PLACED ON DOG IS NOVEL

First Case of Kind on Record In County Comes From Lake Villa

A "new one" in mortgages was placed on record last week in the county recorder's office. It consists of the filing of a chattel mortgage on a dog.

Walter C. Hage and wife of Lake Villa, in consideration of \$300 in hand paid, conveyed to the Leona Farms, of McHenry, one police dog named Blitz von Hornhelm, taking in return a note for the above amount, payable in one year, with 6 per cent interest.

The document created more excitement at the recorder's office than a \$5,000,000 land transfer.

Dr. Baldpate's Python

"I was just playing a round of golf on the new desert course at Sus, in the Sahara," said Dr. Baldpate. "It is an excellent course; sand greens, of course. Sand fairway also. In fact, if I were tempted to criticize it, I should say that it was possibly a bit too sandy. However . . . I was playing alone, as I find I can always make a better secret that way."

"I carried no weapons except my clubs. Imagine my perturbation, therefore, when I looked up from the fourth tee just as I was about to drive and saw directly in front of me the gaping jaws of a desert python, the me menace in this waste. Flight was useless . . . the creature can overtake a running horse. I did the only thing possible. I drove my golf ball with all my force straight into the python's mouth."

"It was the mightiest blow that I have ever delivered. Straight through the snake it went and out the other end. The aperture made by the ball created a draught through the animal. He paused, sneezed twice, and curled up at my feet, a victim of galloping pneumonia."

Being told that they need more sleep, many folks are perfectly willing to sleep later in the morning.

Much advice is being given to young lovers, and they will probably be governed by it when it agrees with their sentiments.

Many congressmen said to be interested in cross word puzzles, but it is doubtful if they get so interested that they will forget to spend the money in the treasury.

The croakers should not predict business disaster so persistently that they are unhappy unless it comes to verify their forecasts.

Police of some cities instructed to keep a watch on idle men. They can find some of 'em around in the smoking rooms at the dances, when they should be at work on the floor.

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