

**BRIEF NEWS ITEMS FROM LAKE COUNTY**

**NEIGHBORHOOD JOTTINGS**

**Interesting Happenings About This Part of North Shore and Vicinity; County Seat Doings**

Erection of another monster coke and chemical company plant in Waukegan is planned according to reports current in the city. The plant according to rumors will be located on a large tract of land immediately north of the Johns Manville industry on the north flats.

Struck in the back by a heavy plank which fell upon him while he was at work on a farm near Prairie View, Peter Siver, aged 35 years, received an injury which may result in paralysis.

The fire department was called to the home of Mrs. Margaret Kirby, 610 North Sheridan road, Waukegan, Sunday at 11:28 a. m. when a pot roast in the oven caught fire. There was no damage except to the roast.

Placing of one of the largest blocks of concrete that has ever been laid in Waukegan was completed last week on the site of the Hotel Waukegan. The block, completed after 24 hours of work by a large force of workmen contains 150 square yards of high early strength concrete. It is located in the center of the building.

Lake county farmers are to be reimbursed for the cows that were slain during the tuberculin testing a year ago.

Joseph P. Nolan, a resident of Waukegan for many years, died in the Lake County hospital recently following an emergency operation.

On good authority, the report has been received that work on the new dam for the Fox river and the repairing of the old dam in the same stream, will be started this summer and completed before fall so that summer residents and resort keepers on Fox Lake and the chain of lakes through the western part of Lake county will no longer suffer from the low water levels that bothered them most of this season.

Robert A. O'Farrell, of Waukegan, manager of the St. Louis Cardinals, and son of Fire Chief and Mrs. Sara O'Farrell, has purchased the old Kirk homestead at West and Water streets, Waukegan, from Mrs. Allie Kirk Porter, the consideration being \$18,000, according to the deed, that was filed for record. The house was built by George Kirk and has been in the Kirk family for sixty years. It is understood that Mr. O'Farrell purchased the property for investment purposes. Some time ago the house was remodeled into two apartments.

**HUGE TOTAL MILEAGE OF HIGHWAY SYSTEM**

Last year 9,400 miles were added to the Federal highway system, according to the touring bureau of the Chicago Motor club. This addition brings Federal aid improved highways of the country up to the total of 55,903 miles.

Illinois has 1,376 miles already built, with 177 miles under construction. Indiana has 529 miles with 437 miles under construction.

On May 31, 1926, Illinois, according to figures issued by the Bureau of Public Roads at Washington, had a balance of Federal aid for new projects amounting to \$6,678,179.89; Indiana had \$2,364,848.79 for new projects.

A British general says that they would have won the war without us but our recollection is that along in 1917 they were asking Uncle Sam to hurry a little.

**AGED SEXTON DIES AT WAUKEGAN AT 93**

**One of the Oldest Residents in Lake County Passes Last Week**

Richard Locke, who would have observed his 94th birthday on August 14, one of the oldest residents of Lake county, died last week at his home in Waukegan, where he had lived ever since he came to Waukegan 32 years ago. Death was attributed to the infirmities of old age. Mr. Locke served as sexton of Christ church in Waukegan for 15 years. The deceased was born at Stratford-On-Avon, England, home of the immortal Shakespeare. He was christened in Trinity church, which was attended by the bard of Avon.

Thirty-two years ago he removed to Waukegan, taking a position as sexton of Christ church which he held up to the time he was 72 years of age, just 21 years ago. He had been retired since that time.

For the last six years Mr. Locke had been totally blind. Five years ago he broke his hip in a fall and had not been able to walk since that time. Two weeks ago his condition became quite critical. He failed so rapidly that all hopes of saving his life were abandoned.

**TAKES MOVIES IN PARTIAL DARKNESS**

**New Fast Camera Which Operates Without Artificial Light Is Reported**

Amateur motion pictures may be taken indoors without artificial light, or even in the rain, by a new camera. The lens is three times "faster" than those of ordinary professional motion picture cameras and ten times faster than that of a high grade "still" camera.

This development means a marked advance in the growing art of amateur cinematography. No camera with amateur simplicity of operation and with an American-made lens has previously been able to take pictures under such conditions.

The average professional motion picture camera makes its exposures with the advantage of artificial lighting. The new Cine-Kodak has been built around a lens of extreme rapidity because amateur motion picture photographers must take pictures more often with only such light as the daylight affords.

**SANITARY DISTRICT IN LEVY OF \$60,000**

**FOR NORTH SHORE WORK**

**Reported That More Than Half Will Be Used In Construction of Disposal Plants**

The sum of \$60,000 has been levied by the North Shore Sanitary district for the fiscal year starting May 1 of this year and ending April 30, 1928. Of this amount \$38,000 will be used in the construction of sewage disposal plants.

The levy provides that \$28,000 shall be used in the construction and equipment of the new sewage disposal plant at North Chicago. Work on this plant has been carried on for the last three months and is being rushed to completion.

Another \$10,000 of the levy will be used for the erection and equipment of a sewage disposal plant in Zion. Work on the latter plant has not yet been started but probably will be in the near future.

The board of the sanitary district

are endeavoring to install sewage disposal plants along the entire north shore as rapidly as possible as it is aimed to prevent the pollution of Lake Michigan by sewage from north shore cities.

A sewage disposal plant was erected in Waukegan some time ago and is giving complete satisfaction. From year to year the board plans to make levies until all the proposed plants can be erected.

**ARE SHOCK TROOPS OF MODERN BUSINESS**

**Writer in Nation's Business Describes Retailers As Such in Story**

Merle Thorpe, editor of Nation's Business Magazine, says:

"I went into a shoe store the other day to buy a pair of shoes. The clerk, not knowing his customer was a poor editor, brought out a fine pair priced \$14.

"To try him out I exclaimed, 'Fourteen dollars! That's highway robbery. How do you get away with it? I know that a farmer gets only eighty cents for a hide and no worker gets more than \$5 for making a pair of shoes. Its scandalous!'

"Did the clerk tell me that he had other shoes—good shoes at \$6 and \$7—but that this pair was the finest

product that American ingenuity could produce? Did he explain that an expert had to sort over 1,000 hides to find the one hide from which these uppers could be cut?

"Did he tell me that such quality shoes had a limited market; that styles change; that extra money is tied up, and indicate the twenty other items of legitimate cost that enter into the consideration of the selling price of a \$14 pair of shoes?

"Did he? No, you're right, he didn't. He said the manufacturer was the cutthroat, that he was 'holding us up.'

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The levee system of flood control seems to be satisfactory except in cases of too much water.—Kansas City Star.

**SIMPLIFIED COOKING**

In cooking artichoke, the Woman's Home Companion suggests that the first thing to do is to "remove choke." This is simply following the plan of the best cooks in preparing turnips, who always remove the nip. In cooking asparagus, on the other hand, modern cooks do not take out the gas.

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