

COUNTY LOSES ON FEDERAL PRISONERS

DEFICIT IN BILL SHOWN

Cost of Keeping Them in Jail More Than Government Is Allowing, Supervisors Are Told

Revelation that the county actually was the loser by \$2,427.35 for the federal prisoners it "boarded" in 1927, was made last week to the board of supervisors by the jail committee composed of Supervisors James Kelley, Frank Burke and E. A. Brown.

Rate Now Paid
Their report showed that the county accepts these prisoners, some convicted and some awaiting trial, at the rate of 65 cents cost a day to the federal government. In return, the report continued, the county lays out \$1 a day to pay for the keep of these boarders, or a loss of 35 cents per day per man.

The last year there were 99 federal prisoners in jail, 856 from the county, all maintained at a cost of \$9,619. Of that \$3,887 went for food, \$3,300 in salaries of turnkeys, and \$2,432 for other jail help.

In the first three months of 1928 there have been 100 federal prisoners admitted to the county jail and it has cost the county, on conservative estimates, \$945 or \$10.50 a day. In 1927 the loss at the jail was \$6.65 a day.

An Old Agreement
The agreement between the U. S. and supervisors is years old. Federal prisoners have been kept here for year after year and no raise in rates has been made in recent years.

Sheriff Lawrence Doolittle claims that the loss is not as great as it figures to because if federal prisoners were kept out it would still call for turnkeys and helpers.

The matter came to light when a national wide investigation was before the House of Representatives being made as the result of a bill in which \$25,000 was asked as an appropriation for a committee to study jail conditions for the 10,000 federal prisoners in county jails. It also proposed that the maintenance be standardized. Lake county alone is not a loser. In 1927 Danville, Ill., paid about \$5,000 for the privilege of keeping the U. S. convicts and Cook county footed even a greater bill.

Report Filed
After expressing the opinion that some effort should be made to put the boarding of federal prisoners in the county jail on an equitable financial basis, as far as Lake county is concerned, members of the board of supervisors received the communication, showing the loss, and placed it on file.

It was the general impression that the government would take the lead in a national wide investigation, which it is now making on jail conditions, and hearken to an increase for boarding its convicts and men awaiting trials.

A lot of our liberals who are in sympathy with the revolutionists in Nicaragua get filled up with virtuous indignation every time anyone tries to start a rebellion against the Red Russian government.

INCOME TAX TOTAL EQUALS LAST YEAR'S

As Far as County Collections Are Reported, According to Deputy

Income tax collections for 1927 in Waukegan and Lake county made during the period which closed at midnight Thursday will equal those made last year, despite the fact that decreases in collections are being reported in most other districts in the middle west. A. N. Tiffany, deputy internal revenue collector, declared Friday. Schedules filed in the closing hours changed the figure from that of a possible decrease to one which compares with that of last year.

While no compilation has ever been made by the revenue department as to the amount of income taxes paid each year in Lake county whatever figures given in the past being used merely on guess by newspapers, it is believed that this county annually pays taxes on incomes of \$7,000,000 or more.

"Fewer schedules were filed and less taxes paid on salaried incomes," Mr. Tiffany stated today, "but the returns from the large amount of farm land sales, during the past year resulted in bringing the total payments of tax to the standard of last year. We do not compile the amount of incomes or taxes paid here, however, our opinions being based on estimate."

GARNETT NOT AGAIN CANDIDATE FOR BOARD

Pressure of Business Prevents; Has Made Good Record; Appreciated

Following the epidemic of veteran supervisors relinquishing their seats on the county board, Assistant Supervisor Joseph B. Garnett of Highland Park, today admitted that he would not be a candidate for re-election.

"I have served three years. My business is such that I cannot afford the time," he stated.

Besides Garnett there are Supervisors McCullough, Austin and Paddock leaving the board.

Paul L. Udell, one of the publishers of the Lake Forester and the Highland Park Press, is to be the candidate to succeed Garnett. Mr. Udell, it is believed, will be the strongest replacement of Mr. Garnett that Highland Park can make. He has been in touch with county business for years and has a thorough understanding of county matters. Mr. Udell did not consent to run until Mr. Garnett made it emphatic that he could not serve any longer. Besides him Arthur W. Vercoe is a candidate for re-election.

That the board members sorely regret the loss of these men can be seen in a resolution passed today. It read:

"Whereas the board of supervisors of Lake county is about to lose from its membership several of its valuable and respected members by reason of their not being candidates for re-election as supervisors.

"Therefore, be it resolved that a vote of thanks and appreciation be extended to Mr. Paddock, Mr. McCullough, Mr. Austin and Mr. Garnett for the valuable and honorable service which for several years they have rendered Lake county."—Waukegan Sun.

NORTH SHORE TO HAVE NEW THEATRICAL TYPE

The north shore is to lead the rest of America in being the first to present a new type of theatrical fare when "Theatron" offers four classic revivals and the premier of a new play next season at the Evanston Woman's club.

Independent of Broadway, Shraffsbury avenue, et al., "Theatron" will revive classic plays that had formerly to be enjoyed in the study, since, it is pointed out, they were beyond the audiences of the commercial theater and the resources of the amateur. Then, too, when it finds one worthy, "Theatron" will give some new play a premier.

This type of repertory company is common throughout Europe, the Comedie Francaise being a notable example; but until now, it has been unknown in this country. A company of competent actors will be seen through the season as changing casts permit under the direction of one who will both design and stage the productions.

GLENCOE D. A. R. HAS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

The Glencoe chapter of the D. A. R. enjoyed a most delightful birthday celebration Monday, March 9, at the home of Mrs. John Sherman Root, who, at her bountiful tea table, provided a huge birthday cake, candle bedecked.

The program offered Mrs. Viola Crouch Reeling, author of the recently published history of Evanston, the early chapters of which are of deep local interest. To know that the site of Glencoe was originally named "Ewig Qual," everlasting punishment, occasioned a lifting of eyebrows.

Plans for the card party on March 26, have reached a successful conclusion. All tables are sold and many intriguing prizes are contributed. The D.A.R. announces that it will play a straight game. There will be no doubling except for information, and no articles will be raffled, as there is a state law against the practice.

WINNETKA MASONS PLAN STAG PARTY

Winnetka Masonic Lodge No. 1078 has issued invitations for the evening of March 27 for a social event that will be slightly different.

This is to be a stag card party with bridge and 500 reigning supreme and with attractive prizes for the skilled or lucky ones. As this will be guest night, the members are urged to bring their male friends. There will also be several good numbers put on in the way of entertainment, after which a Dutch buffet will be served.

Return cards have been mailed to all the members and the committee requests that these be filled out and mailed back promptly.

SPANISH WAR VETERANS GET COUNTY DONATION

The sum of \$500 requested from the county by the Ben L. Jones camp Spanish war veterans at Waukegan was allowed Friday by the board of supervisors as stipulated by a 1927 law. The demand had been served by Attorney E. V. Orvis, one of the members of the post. The board stipulated that the allotments should go through Supervisor Matt Dilger, Waukegan, township poormaster.

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