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## County Expenditures for 3 Months Totaled

Expenditures of Lake county during the three months ending Dec. 1 totaled \$152,831.16, according to the financial report last week of the finance committee, composed of Supervisors Arthur W. Vercoe, H. C. W. Meyer, Emil A. Ficke and J. D. Thomas, leaving a balance of \$431,168.84 for the remainder of the fiscal year.

The county maintenance fund, which was allotted an appropriation of \$75,000, showed the largest use of the funds with \$27,615.54. The poor claims of the township took \$20,737.91 while the Lake County hospital spent \$17,584.62.

From the present indications, it was said, the poor claims funds were overdrawn again this year. Though the board appropriated \$85,000 for the poor distribution in the county, \$25,000 has to be met out of that fund to meet the deficit of last year.

## Rabbit Fever Cases Numerous in Illinois

Ten cases of tularemia, or "rabbit fever" have been reported in Illinois during the past few days, according to announcements released by the state department of public health.

All the reported cases except two have occurred in the central and southern sections of the state where rabbit hunting is in full swing. Three cases were from Macoupin and two from Effingham counties.

"This is the highest prevalence of tularemia that has ever been observed in Illinois," the department said. "Infected rabbits are the most common source. The large number of cases recently reported is therefore taken as an indication that rabbits are heavily infected this year."

Tularemia is rarely fatal but is a long drawn-out disease. Infection is through scratches, cuts, or abrasions of the skin. The greatest danger is at the time of skinning and dressing freshly dressed rabbits. Coking makes rabbits safe for food whether they are infected or not, the department said.



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## OUR WEEKLY LESSON IN ENGLISH

by W. L. Gordon

### Words Often Misused

Do not say, "Your ring is different than Mary's." Say, "is different from."

Do not say, "After having seen Mr. Brown, I went home." Omit "after."

Do not say, "It is nothing like as important as this." Say, "It is not nearly so important as this."

Do not say, "He has such a limited knowledge of these things." Say, "a slight knowledge."

Do not say, "Where have they gone to this morning?" Omit "to."

Do not say, "There aren't but five in the box." Say, "There are but five." "Are not but" forms a double negative.

### Words Often Mispronounced

Daughter. Pronounce the au as in "haul," not as o in "not."

Bahamas. Pronounce ba-ha-maz, first and third a's as in "ask," second a as in "hay," accent second syllable.

Hypotenuse. Pronounce hi-pot-e-nus, i as in "high," o as in "pot," e as in "me," u as in "unit," s as in "so," accent second syllable.

Machination. Pronounce mak-in-a-shun, first a as in "at," i as in "in," second a as in "day," accent third syllable.

Illicit. Pronounce i-lis-it, all i's as in "it," accent second syllable.

Palsam. Pronounce bol-sam, o as in "or," a as in "am," accent first syllable.

### Words Often Misspelled

Chilblain; not chill, nor blane. Phlox (a flowering plant); not flocks, nor flox. Naval (pertaining to a navy); navel (a depression in the abdomen.) Salvage (edge of a fabric); salvage (act of saving a vessel, or goods.) Chimney; not ny, ly, nor bly. Necessitate; one c, two s's.

### Synonyms

Opinion, belief, judgment, view, idea, impression, sentiment.

Fond, affectionate, tender, loving, doting.

Scoff (verb), mock, jeer, sneer, gibe, deride, taunt, ridicule.

Limpid, clear, translucent, lucid, pellucid, crystal.

Notwithstanding, nevertheless, however, although, yet, despite, in spite of.

Indiscriminate, confused, promiscuous, miscellaneous.

### Word Study

"Use a word three times and it is yours." Let us increase our vocabulary by mastering one word each day. Words for this lesson:

Palliation; act of covering with excuses. "It was a mother's palliation of the faults of her son."

Rapturous; feeling or expressing rapture; ecstatic. "It was followed by rapturous applause."

Fabrication; a falsehood. "The story is doubtless a fabrication."

Garish; showy; dazzling; attracting or exciting attention. "Garish like the laughter of drunkenness."—Taylor.

Tabulate; to form into a table, or synopsis. "A philosophy is not worth the having, unless its results may be abulated, and put in figures."—I. Taylor.

Atonement; expiation; a mends. "When a man has been guilty of any vice, the best atonement he can make for it is, to warn others."—Spectator.