

TEACHERS TO VISIT FOX RIVER VALLEY

Beautiful Scenic Region to Be Object of Earth History Field Study

The beautiful Fox River Valley, in the vicinity of Elgin, has been chosen as the location for an early history field study trip for the science teachers of northwestern Illinois. The trip will be held on Saturday, May 16, under the sponsorship of the Illinois State Geological Survey.

The Elgin trip will be the second of six field conferences which the Geological Survey plans to conduct in various parts of the state this year, for the purpose of supplying science teachers with the main facts regarding the interesting geologic history and mineral resources of their respective localities.

The trip on May 16 will be planned in such a way as to make clear to the teachers the geological history of this part of the state, especially during the "Great Ice Age," which came to a close less than forty thousand years ago.

The field party will proceed, by automobile, from point to point along a twenty-mile route above and below Elgin, and will see excellent exposures of the various types of glacial deposits that are perhaps better developed in this region than in any other part of the state.

Noted for Variety

According to Dr. M. M. Leighton, Chief of the State Geological Survey who will conduct the geological tour, the area is notable for its wealth and variety of physiographic features also; due mostly, to the effects of glaciation, and of stream erosion after the retreat of the last great ice sheet. "The general facts which the conference will bring to light," he says, "can be applied to the explanation of conditions in most of northeastern Illinois."

Mr. Verne Condon, instructor in biology at New Trier high school, Winnetka, is in charge of the organization of the group for the field trip, and is already receiving and acknowledging registrations from teachers in all the counties of Chicagoland. Advance registrations are necessary, in order that the trip may be properly planned. Final instructions in regard to participation will be mailed later to all who register.

This Thief Exhibits Penchant for Higher Education; Robs Schools

A thief with a penchant for higher education last week made excursions through the rural school system of the county and with his handy screw driver pried open three more school windows to bring the total number of buildings looted up to four according to Sheriff Lester T. Tiffany.

No mere text books lured this man on, for he chose with discretion and grabbed the volumes with pretty morocco binding and the flashiest colors.

For instance at Oakland school, between Loon Lake and Lake Villa, he took ten volumes of Compton's valued at \$55, and at Rosecrans, in Newport township, he took 12 volumes of the World Book and 12 of Compton's valued at \$130.

Just to look up big words if he chanced across them he selected a \$30 dictionary at the Gages Lake school just east of Grayslake.

The talented gentleman made his first call in the county Tuesday night at the Bean Hill school near Channel Lake where he took an encyclopedia and the volumes of the Book of Knowledge that cost the school \$79.

Wisconsin rural schools near the Illinois borderline are suffering from

this same person, the sheriff has learned.

Deputy Sheriff Russell McBride spent a day in the county trying to get finger prints but most of them were in dust and were of no value.

An old landmark, the water tower that bore the name of the American Steel and Wire company, Waukegan, was destroyed today by workmen, having outlived its use but not its history.

The 500 gallon fire fighting truck, purchased recently by the village of Gurnee at a cost of \$7,000 was delivered last week.

William J. Shepherd, Chicago contractor, will be awarded the grading job for the approach to the Soo line overhead at Lake Villa for a figure of \$11,358, it was indicated last week by the state highway department. The approaches will run close to a mile.

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