

Dept. of Agriculture Agents Complete North Shore Barberry Survey

The 1931 survey of the immediate north shore territory by government agents for common barberry has just been successfully completed. The inspectors started work April 6 at the northern city limits of Lake Bluff, working south to the Cook County line, west from the lake to the second set of North Western and Skokie Valley tracks. A close examination of every property in this territory yielded about 3500 common barberry bushes on about 175 different properties.

In plantings with other shrubs the barberries have been carefully and completely dug, but when found on the lake bluff, ravines or in wooded areas they have been destroyed by applications of crushed rock salt. The common barberry (*Berberis Vulgaris*), you will recall, has been condemned by the federal government

because it spreads black stem rust, a very destructive fungus disease, to the grain crops and to about 75 of our cultivated and wild grasses.

"The work of the field men has been greatly expedited and made very pleasant by the splendid co-operation of the property owners and gardeners with whom they have come in contact," said Mr. Matheny. "In leaving this community they wish to express their sincere appreciation for the many courtesies which have been extended them which have made their stay in Lake Forest and along the north shore a most enjoyable one."

G. E. Matheny, J. W. Weber, W. P. Kiffmeyer, W. W. Emrich, A. V. Luton and L. N. Eck, were the agents of the U. S. Department of Agriculture who conducted the survey.

The Florida legislature refuses to pass a quick divorce bill. Having found through its land boom that too much hurrying often results in a headache, Florida is going to take things deliberately in the future.

Recent Proceedings in the Probate Court

Recent proceedings in Probate Court, of interest in this part of the county, are reported as follows:

Anna Obee, Highland Park—Inventory approved.

Stewart Orr Gardner, Highland Park—Inventory approved.

Emilie M. Strieber, Highland Park—Report of sale of stock approved.

Albert Nafe, Highland Park—Citation ordered for Executrix to close estate.

Carl C. Gibbs, Lake Forest—Inventory approved. Waiver of widow's award approved.

Margaret W. Taylor, Lake Bluff—Will admitted to record. Estate of \$12,000 personal and \$15,000 real estate given to son, Edward T. Taylor. Letters Testamentary issued to Edward T. Taylor. Bond of \$24,000. Heirship proved. Claim day set for November 3.

MONTHLY MEETING OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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A communication from the Downtown Home was read, expressing their appreciation to the Chamber of Commerce in furnishing transportation for their annual outing to Lincoln Park and return on August 19.

Chairman Kelley announced that no meeting had been had with the City Council and the Park board relative to the employment situation with each. Inability to meet in joint session with Mayor Metzger and Mr. M. J. Hardacre, caused this postponement but the members were assured of a report at the October meeting.

A. G. Klemp, chairman of the safety lane committee reported findings in regard to sponsoring such a campaign in Highland Park. The Weaver Manufacturing Co. has discontinued furnishing the necessary equipment gratis, and the committee felt that the purchase price of the equipment would be prohibitive to the Chamber at this time.

Report on Post Office Bldg. Hugo Schneider made a report on his committee's findings relative to the proposed Federal building in Highland Park. Mr. Schneider enumerated every available site with its cost, area, advantages and disadvantages. A great deal of discussion was had on various available sites but the consensus of opinion indicated the appropriation would not be sufficient. Upon motion of Ferdinand Hume properly seconded and carried, a letter is to be written Senator Glenn and Congressman Chindblom, asking them to use their influence in securing an increase in the appropriation from \$150,000 to \$200,000.

A communication was read from the Governor's commission on unemployment asking all chambers of commerce to help in organizing and aiding local unemployment and relief organizations. A meeting of the various community leaders is being held at Mundelein on September 15, and Chairman Kelley appointed J. H. Carnett, and Howard Moran to act as spokesmen for both the Chamber of Commerce and the Social Service at this meeting.

Paving Contract Let
Various communications from Congressman Chindblom were read, explaining the status of re-routing Sheridan road through Fort Sheridan and indicating the contract for the pavement of this road to the Highland Park City limits has been let. Constructive discussions were heard regarding the contemplated entrance to Highland Park by the State and also the other route as outlined by the Regional Planning association and the city plan for Highland Park. Xavier Vigeant and Hugo Schneider were appointed as additional members of the committee to work with the proper officials on this project.

The secretary was instructed to send President Simons a telegram at Rochester, Minnesota, voicing the Chamber's expression for his speedy recovery and early return to Highland Park.

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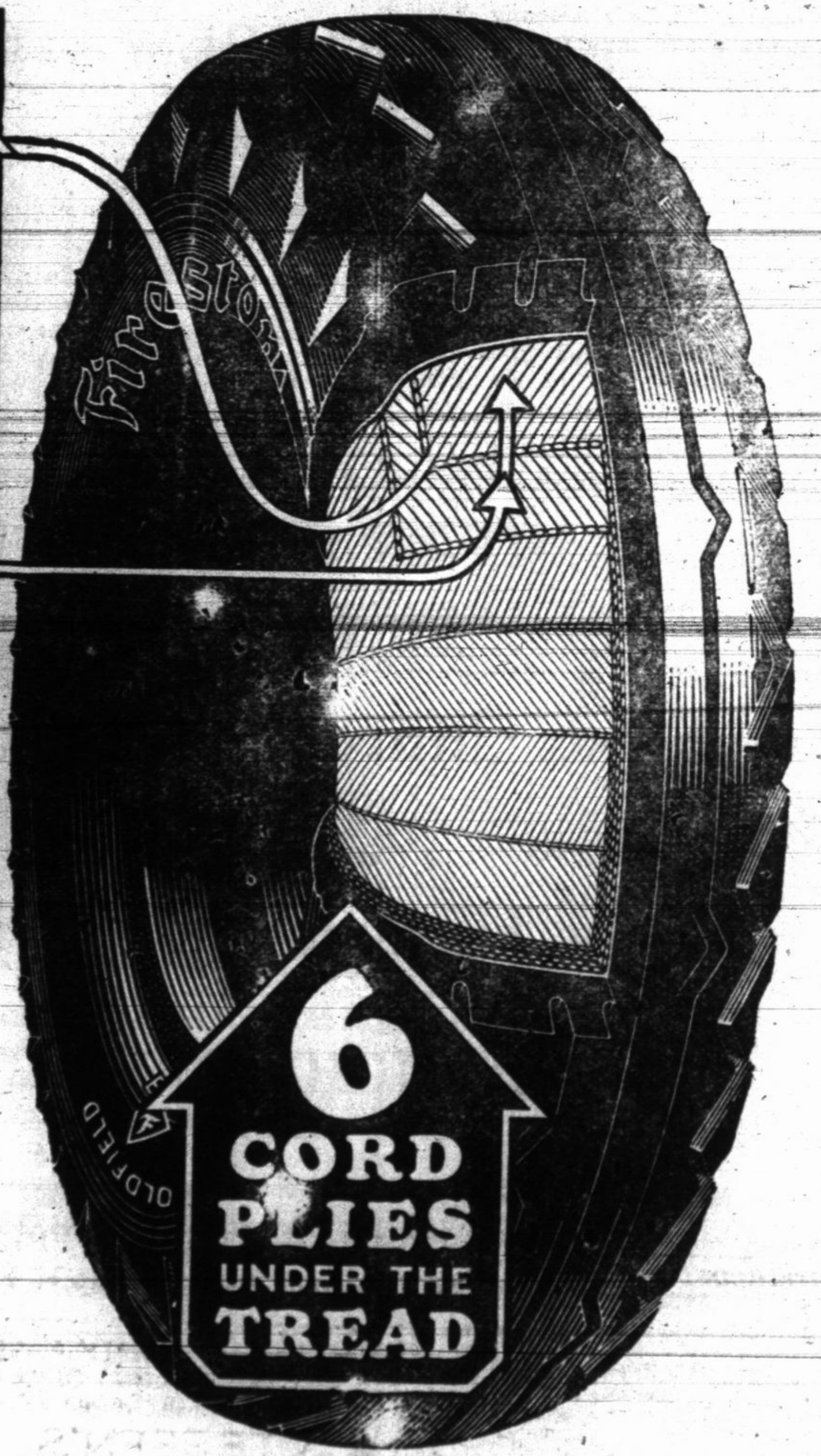
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