

COMMERCE CHAMBER ELECTS OFFICERS

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ident; A. G. Klemp, vice-president; J. J. Berube, Nels Dahl, and J. W. Simons, directors.

Picchiatti Bros., 2 South First street, were elected to membership in the chamber of commerce.

A communication was read from the Highland Park chapter of D. A. R., soliciting a donation to purchase four educational films of Geo. Washington's life and to be used in connection with the Washington Bicentennial Celebration. This matter was tabled until the next meeting and then brought up for final action.

President Simons made an annual report of the chamber of commerce activities and stressed especially the attendance, speakers, financial and results obtained.

After the membership voiced its appreciation to President Simons and the retiring directors, and introduction of the new directors, the meeting was turned over to the new president, H. F. Kelley.

L. B. Sinclair, representing the Social Service Committee, made a thorough report as to progress and operations. Questions regarding this work were answered by President Kelley and Howard Moran.

Against Gas Tax

After a good deal of discussion as to the contemplated increase in the state gasoline tax, a motion was made by G. J. Dinkeloo, that letters be written state representatives, soliciting their co-operation defeating this measure.

"Flivver" Plane Built at Barrington Plant Soon Ready for Test

The first "flivver airplane" to be built in the Herren Aeronautical corporation factory in Barrington has been completed and will be flown in exhibition within the next two weeks. The new airplane is said to be of revolutionary design, and will lower the costs of private flying to a minimum.

The ship will sell for less than \$1,000 after mass production becomes a reality, officials said. It will fly 100 miles an hour, and at the cruising speed of 85 miles per hour will fly 350 miles without refueling. It carried 16 gallons of gasoline.

The motor in the flivver plane is a four cylinder radial aircooled engine, recently developed after much laboratory experimentation. It is a two-cycled affair, and was designed by W. R. Beckman, vice president of the company in charge of engineering; who was assisted by H. McKay Steele of the Johnson Motor company and Wilson Herren, president of the Barrington concern.

The airplane is a two place tandem open biplane with a 24 foot wing spread and is 19 feet 6 inches in length. Within three months, production will be made at the rate of two machines each day, Herren predicts.

Garden Study Club Plans Interesting Activities Here

Although the Highland Park Garden Study club have no regular program in December there has been much activity in planning matters of club interest.

The club is very happy to welcome to their membership three new members—Mrs. Robert Pease, Mrs. J. S. Bell, and Mrs. Louis Francoens. The club, as its name implies, is a study club, devoted to the various phases of garden activities interesting to actually practical gardeners.

A special meeting was held on Wednesday, Dec. 9, at the home of Mrs. O. L. Oleson on Moraine road, to discuss plans for entering exhibits in the coming garden show of the Garden Clubs of Illinois, which is to be held April 2-9, at the Municipal Navy Pier. The schedule is an unusually interesting one to practical gardeners, as there are many more entries of actual garden building than ever before for the amateur gardener. Many authorities feel that the real future of gardening and horticulture in America lies with the interested amateur, who has the time and the interest to grow good new varieties and grow them well, having in mind also the idea of beautifying the landscape.

Mrs. J. S. Weinberg attended the School of Judging held at the Graemere hotel in Chicago, during the month of October, sponsored by the Garden Club of Illinois. She has just been notified that she passed the examination and is an accredited judge of flower shows in their district.

Mrs. Weinberg has also been asked to serve as a member of the Revisions committee of the Garden Clubs of Illinois.

Doubles Organized in Pin League

Last week which was the sixth week of the Business Men's Bowling league, the Reliable Laundry won two games from Picchiatti Bros., the Beverages took two from Sweetlands; Fell's took three from Nelson's, and Meierhoffs defeated Bock's twice, the third game ending in a tie. Joe Guerri featured in this game by bowling 255 and averaging over 200 for the three game series.

Tonight Picchiatti Bros. meet Nelson's, while Meierhoffs bowl the H. P. Beverages.

The Majestic weekly prize for high score went to Joe Ori and Harry Rafferty who both bowled 256 in one game.

The Business Men's doubles league was organized Tuesday and will continue for a period of 20 weeks. This league consists of six teams, each having two men who are considered the best bowlers in Highland Park. Team prizes and individual prizes will be awarded to the winners at the termination of the season. The teams are Shehen and Guerri, Ori and Bernardi, Inman and Rafferty, Minorini and Carani, Turelli and J. Picchiatti and Piacentini and A. Picchiatti. A great deal of interest was shown in the organization of this league and the games promise to be very close. Everyone is invited to watch them.

H. P. HEALTH BOARD

The previous articles appearing in this column have dealt primarily with the contagious diseases, as these are most in the public mind during the fall and winter months. There is usually a certain amount of anxiety during this time regarding the prevalence of contagion in the community, and many rumors are circulated that are based on heresy by misinformed individuals. We hope to overcome much of the needless unrest on this subject by giving accurate information to the public at frequent intervals.

Contagious diseases are at very low ebb in Highland Park at the present time, and we sincerely trust will remain so, particularly as so many face a severe winter problem. We have no diphtheria or scarlet fever; no mumps or measles; 10 homes quarantined for whooping cough, and one for chicken pox. To maintain this high standard, cases must be reported early and contacts arrived, and we ask for the cooperation of every individual in the community. Any infractions that menace public health should be promptly reported to a member of the local health board.

A great many people, feeling that their children must run the gamut of contagious diseases, are not as cautious as they should be in avoiding contacts. This is particularly true at the Christmas season, with large crowds at the various shopping centers. A single or sporadic case of contagion, under these circumstances, may easily develop into epidemic outbreaks which may be rather widely distributed.

We consider that the problems of employment, feeding, clothing, an housing are paramount issues this winter; but let us not forget that the cooperation and action support of all is needed to safeguard the general health and prevent interference with the service problems that are at hand.

Wandering Cow Is Cause of Zion Feud

The wandering cow of Charles Owen of Zion ate hay from the side of the fence owned by Mrs. Mary Muller, mother of Stephen Seys.

Stephen, after several deductions, came to the conclusion that milk made from his hay belonged to the Seys household.

He promptly produced a milk stool and took what he concluded was his.

Then Charles and Everett Ower advanced on the Muller property and demanded the cow. Mrs. Muller refused, it is said, until all the milk could be gleaned.

Charles and Everett returned with clubs, she alleges, and beat Stephen over the head.

James Muller, 15, another son, and the mother leaped into the fray. Ower was reinforced by another brother and the Muller-Seys faction retreated.

The Muller-Seys division came to Justice Harry Hoyt, Waukegan, for warrants while the Owens rested their case before a Zion justice of the peace.

DR. HATTON TALKS TO RAVINA CIVIC ASSN.

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with two legislative bodies, councilmen and aldermen, came into being. This form spread rapidly but didn't work out well. Due to the agitation of the slavery question and the following civil war, not much further thought was devoted to city government until about 1896. During this period the elected mayor and council form went from bad to worse.

Begin Decentralization

About 1896, cities started to take part of the functions away from the mayor and council, to decentralize, and set up various commissions. This scattering of authority proved to be inefficient and expensive. The city of Chicago is a good example of this type of city government.

About this time cities started back in the direction of simplification, first to the mayor and one legislative body; then to the commission type of government (the type we have in Highland Park) which came into being in Galveston, Texas. In 1908 a town in Virginia elected a council which appointed one man as manager of the city, patterned along the lines of a business corporation, whose stockholders elect a board of directors, and they in turn elect or appoint a general manager. This type became known as the city manager type, and since then has been adopted by some 450 cities and towns.

Merits and Defects

various types of city government.

Dr. Hatton pointed out the advantages and disadvantages of these and closed his talk with the assurance that we are making progress in the improvement of city administration. We have run the whole gamut of experience with various forms and as a result of this experience are better able to work out our own problems satisfactorily.

Daring Attempt to Fleece Wholesale Grocery, Waukegan

A daring attempt to fleece the Taylor Wholesale Grocery company of Waukegan, through a forged cashier's bank check for \$1,000 failed last week when A. G. Taylor, president of the grocery concern, ordered the check investigated. A checkup revealed the check to be a clever forgery, and police were holding a Chicago truck driver and were seeking the forger of the check.

The truck driver appeared at the Taylor Wholesale Grocery store early in the morning, presenting an order for 200 bags of sugar and offering the cashier's check in payment. While he was loading the sugar on his truck, Taylor became suspicious of the check. Calling the First National Bank of Chicago, on which it was drawn, he learned that no such check had been issued there. He immediately called Chief of Police Edwin Ahlstrom, and an investigation followed.

Detective William Blaylock and William MacDonald took the truck driver into police custody, but he was later released. The forger of the check, said to be Frank Garaffo of Chicago, was sought by Chicago detectives.