
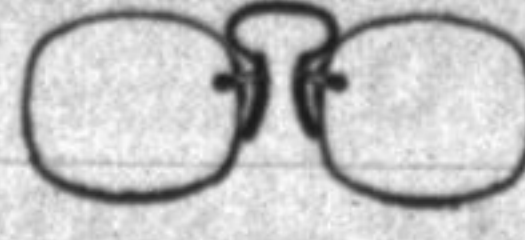


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Army Engineers Want \$40,000 To Improve the Waukegan Harbor

Total of \$40,700 is wanted by the army engineers during the coming fiscal year for the improvement of Waukegan harbor, according to a report sent by the engineers to congress today. Of the sum asked for, \$24,200 will be used in maintenance work and the remainder in new work. Four thousand dollars will be spent for repair.

For the fiscal year ending July 1 last, the engineers had an unexpended balance from previous appropriations for Waukegan totaling \$299,109, but all of this money will be drawn, according to the report, by June 30 next.

A slight increase in tonnage handled at Waukegan is noted by the engineers, the increase being from 265,684 tons in 1929 to 286,625 last year. The increase in the value of the tonnage was from \$1,180,386 to \$1,216,440.

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FILES CLAIM FOR TRAVELING EXPENSE

County Engineer Gives Board Itemized Account; Salary Controversy

Claims for \$5,110.29 for traveling expenses during his tenure of office since 1926 was made last week by R. M. Lobdell, county superintendent of highways, in a communication to the board of supervisors.

An itemized account of the expenditures incurred while traveling in the exercise of his duties was filed with the board. The claim is made on the ruling of Attorney General Oscar Carlstrom, who stated that the road superintendent should be paid a yearly salary fixed by the board of supervisors from the general county fund and should be paid the traveling expenses.

Answers Taxpayers' Claims

The claim is an answer to the resolution and proposals of the various taxpayers' groups to have State's Attorney A. V. Smith recover \$7,500, which the taxpayers contend was illegally paid Lobdell during the past three years.

Assistant Supervisor Charles O. Jones of Waukegan introduced a resolution to limit the salary of the highway superintendent to \$4,500 a year and to urge the state's attorney to act on the retrenchment of \$2,500 which Lobdell has been receiving during the past three years above that amount. Jones also asked that Lobdell's resignation be accepted.

"But there has been no resignation to accept," Supervisor John T. Hoban of Waukegan remarked.

Referred to Committee

A proposal of the Waukegan and Central Lake County Taxpayers associations, similar to the one introduced by Jones, was referred to the fees and salaries committee along with Jones' resolution. That committee is composed of Supervisors E. M. Mawman, Edward Brown and Charles Fitzgerald.

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