

LOBDELL DENIES GRAVEL INTEREST

Tells Board Has No Stake in Pit County Gets Its Material From

R. M. Lobdell, superintendent of highways, last week denied that he owned an interest in a gravel pit operated in the county and declared that allegations of irregularities in his department were untrue.

He stated that his office has used all possible means to save the taxpayers from paying highway taxes and during his term of office the property owners have been saved \$100,000 in taxes.

Denies Charges

"I want to deny absolutely that I own a pecuniary interest in the gravel pit operated in the county," Lobdell emphasized in his supplemental report before the board of supervisors and the crowd which jammed to listen to the board proceedings.

"It has been alleged that employes in my department have been doing outside work for pay," Lobdell continued. "That was true up to a year and a half ago. They worked after hours or during their vacations. I have no control over them during those periods."

"The only work done by the men in my office, outside of the regular work, since that time has been the survey of township highways. There had been no pay for that work."

Bridge a State Matter

He also declared that he had nothing to do with the mistake in the Fox river bridge project. He explained that the bridge over the Fox river, a navigable body of water, was part of the state bond road system. The state highway department had failed to get permission from the United States government to build the bridge until after the bids were let. A public hearing was held and Col. Weeks decided that an additional two and a half feet elevation would have to be made in constructing the bridge.

Bids Objected

Lobdell stated that the bids for paving on Sheridan road through Fort Sheridan have been rejected and new bids are being asked for the paving of a 40-foot road. The state department has also rejected the bids for the paving of gaps in Zion on route 173. The department decided that it would ask for bids on all gaps in the road as one project next year, Lobdell stated.

Grade Crash Inquest, N. Chicago, Deferred

Although it was planned to hold the inquest last Thursday into the deaths of five young persons killed in a North Chicago grade crash, Coroner John L. Taylor this morning said that the inquest would not be held until next week. Witnesses could not be located and notified to appear, the coroner said.

Miss Laura Myrick, 18, the only survivor of the accident, passed away Friday afternoon at the Victory Memorial hospital.

Those killed in the crash were Irene and Thelma Lockbaum, Dorothy Olson, Harold Beshel and John Habjan.

Water Officials Meet at Glencoe; Discussing Cause of Queer Odors

Although fairly certain of the source of water pollution responsible for recent epidemics of distasteful water along the north shore section, members of the West Shore Water Producers association refused to take any official steps for investigation of the contamination at their monthly meeting last week at Glencoe.

City Engineer Henry B. Bleck and James Ashworth, waterworks superintendent in Waukegan, recommended that the association carry on an investigation with a view to stopping pollution which has resulted in bad water tastes.

It has been learned from fairly certain authority that oil refineries in Indiana Harbor and Whiting have dumped refuse into the lake to cause water pollution.

It is believed that north shore city officials and representatives from Chicago will attempt to work a friendly settlement with the Indiana concerns to end water pollution.

H. Pfantz, superintendent of the Glencoe water plant, was the principal speaker as 25 officials of the West Shore Producers association met for their monthly session last week. Super-chlorination as a means of eliminating water odors and tastes was the principal topic for discussion.

Price of Milk May Be Cut After Jan. 1

Milk prices in Waukegan, and elsewhere in the county, will be cut at least one cent per quart an probably two cents per quart, the new prices to become effective Jan. 1, it was announced last Thursday by local dairy officials.

This announcement came this morning from local dairy officials as the result of action taken by milk organizations at a conference in

Chicago cutting the price of milk for the metropolitan district one cent per quart.

Although the action taken at Chicago only provided for a cut in quart prices, Waukegan officials indicated that prices in Waukegan will be slashed on pints and on cream also. Prices on pints and cream are to remain the same in Chicago, according to the agreement reached last week.

The agreement on milk prices

made in Chicago came as the close of a five-day conference of Pure Milk association officials and dairy officials.

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