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A GARDEN LOVER — NO DOG LOVER?

"The Old Crab" — that's what they term a person who condemns his neighbor's dog for running over his premises and destroying his property. And if he volunteered the slightest possible punishment for the beast, he would be severely reprimanded, with promise of a possible penalty, and possible ostracization from society.

Yet a dog is permitted to run at large, wade in your bird bath, lap up the fish from your pool, trample your plants, poison your trees and shrubs as well as tear up your sod, and you are expected to accept it as a playful act of a dumb animal. And as an argument in the dog owner's favor, it is suggested that you fence in your yard (which has always stayed at home) so that their pet canine may dig a tunnel under your fence for recreation.

Highland Park, like other North Shore towns, has a dog ordinance which provides "that dogs must be kept upon the owners' premises or if allowed upon the street must be upon leash and accompanied by some member of the family responsible for the control of the dog."

It should not be necessary to take drastic steps to enforce this ordinance. Something should be done however to encourage those citizens whose civic pride leads them to spend hours of toil and labor in gardening, aside from the money involved, in beautifying their premises, not only for their satisfaction, but as a credit to their city.

"The old crab" does not necessarily dislike dogs, but believes in fair play, and consideration. Just as you cherish your pet, so the nature lover cherishes his garden. Your hobby may be your household pet, while your neighbor's is his garden. You wouldn't want any harm to come to your "hobby" — why let your pet out the front door to destroy your neighbor's?

Respect of other person's rights is the foundation not only of friendship, but of good government as well.

"TAX COLLECTION COSTS"

In those counties of Illinois with more than 100,000 population it is necessary to elect a tax collector for each township. There are, at present, eleven out of the eighteen townships in Lake County which are operated under the township collector system. So we have eleven different officials duplicating the function of the County Treasurer in his capacity as ex-officio county collector. The total cost of operation of the County Collector's office is about \$35,000 for the entire year's work.

Township collectors receive two per cent of the amount that is collected. In the case of wealthy townships like Shields and Deerfield and densely populated Waukegan, this amount runs into considerable sums. Records show that the township collectors in Lake County will receive approximately \$60,000 for their work this year. This amount comes out of the fund paid into the County by the taxpayers. Furthermore, township collectors must be bonded, which involves approximately \$3,000 additional cost to the County.

Although these town collectors have been duly elected by the voters and are carrying out their official duties according to law, it does seem unwise to add such cost to our local government. Add to this the confusion which results in the change of paying taxes to the town instead of the county.

Many of us do not know who our township collector is or where he has his office. A number of resident property owners have no idea to whom they should pay their taxes nor do they receive any notice from the township collector. Duplicate receipts and other information on taxes paid to a town collector are difficult to obtain after the close of the tax-paying period.

These are a few of the problems presented by the township collector system which makes it seem not only advisable but imperative for the state legislature to raise the population requirement for counties such as ours from 100,000 to 500,000. This is of immediate concern to the voters of Deerfield Township.

The above editorial was contributed by a subscriber to the HIGHLAND PARK PRESS and is a condensed article, "Explanation of the Tax Operator in Counties of More Than 100,000 Population," by Garfield Leaf, Treasurer of Lake County, and an editorial, "Tax Collection Cost," which appeared in the Waukegan News-Sun on April 23, 1940.

Administration By ELMORE M. MURPHY

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was proving a detriment to public safety.

The question of the city's liability for personal damage due to the condition of improper repair attending the sidewalk extending from Sheridan road along County Line road to the Braeside station came up for discussion. The corporation counsel ruled that the city was liable for damage sustained and steps were recommended to place the walk in question in good repair. The corporation counsel was also instructed to get in touch with the property owners along this route to acquaint them with the need of repairing the part of the walk transverse their property.

The council recommended that a petition to erect an asphalt plant between the Skokie Valley line of the North Shore electric and the North Western railroad, south of Deerfield road, be granted. This petition brought up the old question of extending the city's water main to serve this area. It was pointed out that the current lack of available water would present quite a problem in case of a fire inasmuch as the Fire Department would have

to lay some 2,000 feet of hose to reach it. Due to financial difficulties, the railroad, who is the owner of the property is not interested in paying for the necessary extension of the main. The problem at the moment seems to be to get the renters of the property sufficiently interested to pay a proportionate share of the cost of the project.

Mayor Ronan stated in an interview after the meeting that he had received a communication from the mayors of San Francisco, Oakland and Berkeley, in California, requesting that all municipal governments join them in naming the week of June 1 to 7 as "Moral Re-Armament Week for National Unity." The communication pointed out that along the lines of events abroad that American social, political and economical problems were becoming issues of bitterness and conflict. It stated that the spirit of the movement of moral re-armament was to

mobilize the best in everyone to conquer fear and selfishness and to build a fear free, hate free and greed free America by restoring to democracy its true strength which lies in the simple virtues of faith and sacri-

fice. When this is accomplished, the letter concluded, we will be able to secure true cooperation in civic and state affairs between management and labor and between nation and nation.

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