

LET CONTRACT FOR CAR PLATES

White Letters on Brown Field Is Vogue

Pure white letters on a field of dark brown.

That's the color scheme for the Illinois 1925 automobile license plates for which Secretary of State Louis L. Emmerson has just let the contract at a figure he believes is the lowest in the entire United States.

The contract was let to the C. H. Hanson company of Chicago, one of the largest manufacturers of this type of article in the United States. The contract price is 13½ cents per pair of plates required on every motor vehicle in Illinois.

In addition to making the plates the manufacturer buys and prints patented envelopes; encloses the plates, together with a 16-page printed synopsis of the Illinois motor vehicle law, in the envelopes; pays the freight on the plates to Springfield; pays the storage until the plates are needed by the automobile department of the secretary's office; and pays the drayage on the plates from the warehouse to the door of the state house when the automobile department calls for another supply.

The plates, enclosed in the patented envelopes, are laid down at the state house door for 13½ cents per package. As applications come in all the automobile department has to do is insert in the patented holder a card bearing the information contained in the application for license and deliver the plates to the postoffice. The card serves as the applicant's certificate of registration.

The working out of this system by Secretary of State Emmerson saves thousands of dollars of state money.

Twenty thousand dollars in postage is saved annually by enclosing the certificate in the patented envelopes with the plates instead of sending it separate.

In addition to the automobile license plate contracts, Secretary Emmerson also has signed a contract with Brady and company of Peoria for chauffeur badges. This contract is at the rate of 7.8 cents each.

The contracts call for manufacture of 1,165,000 plates for pleasure cars, trucks, dealers and motorcycles and 100,000 chauffeur badges. Secretary Emmerson estimates this number will be sufficient to care for the state's needs in 1925 but the contracts specify that if more are needed the manufacturers must furnish the additional plates and badges at the figure named in the original order.

The 1925 plates with the white letters and dark brown background will be something new in Illinois as this state's plates heretofore have run toward lighter backgrounds. The plates will be the same size as the 1924 licenses

with figures the same size and letters in the same position—numbers three inches high with "ILL." in the upper right hand corner and "25" in the lower right hand corner.

The new plates undoubtedly will find favor with Illinois autoists as they will add tone to any car.

'Tis an Ill Wind That Blows Thomas No Good

The wind god and Pluvius battled hard for supremacy on the north shore the past week. While weather experts have called the contest a draw Forester T. J. Lynch inclines to think the wind chap won. Asked why, he answered:

"Wind storms always create business for me and the few blows of this week have netted me some profit. You see, some folks never realize a tree in foliage can be sick until a stiff breeze comes along and reduces the rotten parts. Whenever this happens, they call on me. I've been very busy doctoring that kind of trees this

Winnetkans Have Happy Time at Wilmette Fete

Many Winnetkans accepted the invitation of the Wilmette Chamber of Commerce this week to join with residents of the neighboring community in the celebration of annual Wilmette Day.

As a matter of fact Winnetka was prominently represented on the day's program, what with the Chamber of Commerce band furnishing the music for the street procession and the local baseball team engaging their Wilmette rivals in the feature ball game of the day.

Local Firemen Respond to Call from Wilmette Home

The Winnetka Fire department was summoned to the aid of Wilmette's fire fighting forces early last Saturday evening when a blaze caused \$30,000 damage to the Louis A. Clark home at 716 Lake avenue, in the neighboring suburb.

The local department was called when it seemed certain the fire would get beyond the control of the Wilmette men.

Valuable oil paintings and expensive books represented the bulk of the loss in the blaze, which resulted from crossed electric wires in the attic of the home.

Many Winnetkans Enjoy Dawes Day Festivities

Hundreds of Winnetka citizens attended the Notification ceremony at Evanston, Tuesday, to hear Gen. Charles G. Dawes' speech of acceptance of the vice presidential nomination.

Many of the residents drove to Evanston in their cars, but the North Shore line special trains also conveyed capacity loads to the scene of festivity.

VISITS IN WEST

Dr. J. E. Fonda will leave Monday, August 25, for a two weeks' vacation at Denver, Colorado, and North Platte, Nebraska. He will visit his parents in North Platte.

Manager Woolhiser Will Return to Desk Monday

Village Manager H. L. Woolhiser, who has been confined to his home by an attack of the mumps for the past week or more, is reported doing finely and on the road to a quick recovery. In a conversation over the telephone, Thursday, Mr. Woolhiser said he expected to be back at his desk in the Village hall on Monday next.

Many Legionnaires Plan to Attend State Meeting

It was rumored in American Legion quarters, Thursday, that more than 30 members of Post 10 will attend the legion's state convention at Champaign-Urbana on September 1, 2 and 3. Some plan to go there via the auto route. For those who will travel on the steam road, Post Adj. A. C. F. Gedge will provide reduced railroad fares.

Dr. James V. Turner Has Practice of Dr. Wooster

Dr. James V. Turner, formerly of Chicago, has taken over the practice of Dr. R. L. Wooster with offices at 797 Elm street. He will also make his home in Winnetka.

Dr. Wooster and his family recently left the village to make their home in Maine after visiting for a time with relatives at Camden, Maine.

Community House Given a Complete Renovation

Painters and decorators were busy all this week varnishing and refinishing the interior of Community House.

With preparations for resumption of activities at the center, the building is being thoroughly renovated. Officials of the Community House and the various summer groups were deprived of their quarters during the renovating period.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Aspenwall, 1195 Tower road, left Friday morning for the west. They will spend a month visiting in Washington, Oregon, and California.



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This Man Finds Canada Warm While We Shiver

Lawrence J. Schildgen, manager of the Wilmette branch of the Public Service company stores and service offices, returned this week from a vacation in the fishing retreats of Ontario, Canada. "Had shirt-sleeve weather up there," Mr. Schildgen reports. The days were warm and the nights just pleasantly cool. The return to the weather around Chicago was really uncomfortable.

As much copper as would be used in the mint in coining 15,350,000,000 pennies is transformed annually into finished telephone apparatus and equipment by a single manufacturing company.

Kenilworth Enters Into Wilmette Day Festivity

Offices and stores in Kenilworth were closed Wednesday to permit the employees to take part in the celebration of Wilmette Day. Children of the village and their parents came to the Wilmette village hall green to take part in the parade. They also participated in the races and other events held at the playground.

Potatoes are peeled and butter is sliced by electricity on the battleship Tennessee.

Better illumination is urged to prevent drowsiness in church.



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