

C. OF C. HOLDS BALLOT APRIL 29

Membership Drive of Organization Progresses

The annual election of officers, as well as the consideration of plans for the booth which Winnetka will take at the Illinois Products Exposition, to be held in the Furniture Mart building next October, will occupy Chamber of Commerce members at their next meeting, to be held Wednesday evening, April 29, at the Community House.

The Chamber of Commerce uses the electoral college system in selecting its officers for the year. They will vote for ten candidates, eight of whom who secure the highest votes will elect the officers. These candidates are Earl Weinstock, E. C. Weissenberg, George Park, Gustaf Nelson, H. Paulson, R. H. Schell, William T. Wersted, August Peters, R. W. Rapp and E. E. Adams.

The Chamber of Commerce was the originator of the plan to have Winnetka exhibit at the Illinois Products Exposition, and made tentative plans to have a large panoramic painting of the village done by a competent artist, as Winnetka's exhibit. The cost of the painting was found to be about \$700, while other items would bring the total cost of taking a booth at the exposition near the \$1200 mark. Feeling that they could not bear the cost alone, they enlisted the financial aid of Winnetka business men, individually, with the result that sufficient money was raised to carry the project through.

The membership drive of the Chamber of Commerce, now in progress, is proceeding satisfactorily, it is explained. Special reduced rates have been authorized, and a door-to-door canvass of the business district is being made. The organization hopes to enlist a 100 per cent membership among business men of the village.

PUBLIC FORUM

Editor, WINNETKA TALK:
Possibly you will care to refute the silly story that wormed its way through the news columns of various papers to the editorial column of the Herald-Examiner.

As you are undoubtedly aware, the Township Board of Auditors was not moved to its decision by any consideration of the personality of anyone who might have been called upon to spend the proposed \$7,500 on mosquito abatement.

The New Trier township meeting had directed certain township officers to employ a person to expend on mosquito abatement substantially the entire balance of the general funds of the township.

The Township Supervisor inquired from the Township Board of Auditors as to whether the board would approve expenditures in pursuance to the resolution adopted at the township meeting.

In order to understand the situation, one must bear in mind that it would be the supervisor's business to disburse the proposed mosquito abatement fund, and that it is the duty of the Township Board of Auditors to audit

all disbursements by the supervisor.

Approval of a claim by the Township board, unless impeached, has the force and effect of a judgment of a court of record. Claims so approved must be paid out of the township funds. It is not unreasonable, therefore, that the auditors should be expected to exercise their best judgment.

In this instance, the Township board could find no authority in law for the expenditure of township funds for mosquito abatement. A Township is a quasi corporation whose limited powers and duties are precisely described in the Statutes. Township meetings are not legislatures of local government with inherent powers of self government. They are, rather, meetings of electors of a quasi corporation to which limited powers have been delegated by the legislature of the very government which has such inherent powers, namely, the state.

In answer to the question of the Township Supervisor, the Board of Auditors unanimously voted that it would not approve the expenditure of township funds on mosquito abatement.

There was no question raised as to who would be employed for the work. There was no doubt expressed as to the value of mosquito abatement.

The governments of the various villages within the township were not officially represented at the meeting of the Township board.

There is no reason why the villages should be blamed because the Township board chose to obey the law, and there is no reason why the villages

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should refrain from fighting mosquitos, simply because the township cannot legally do so.

Yours truly,
J. M. Dickinson, Jr.

Young People's Club to Meet in Chicago Sunday

The Young People's Society of the Congregational church has changed its plan this Sunday evening, and instead of meeting at the church, all members and their friends are asked to take the 7.02 North Shore train at Winnetka, and go to the Rogers Park Congregational church. The occasion is a union meeting of all north side young people's clubs, at 8 o'clock, and the local club will furnish a musical number for the program.

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