

SKOKIE SKEETER WAR CONTINUES UNABATED

Sanitary District Sends Army to Battle Front; Leaders Discuss Future Plans

A mosquito conference attended by representatives from the north shore and other suburban cities and towns, the City of Chicago, the Sanitary District of Chicago, The Cook County Board of Commissioners, large park boards, and civic associations, was called by the Gorgas Memorial Institute this Friday in its offices, 1800 Wrigley building, 400 N. Michigan avenue, Chicago.

Out of the conference, it was expected, would come a definite plan of forming the whole Chicago Metropolitan area into a Mosquito Abatement district, or districts, in conformity with the Anti-mosquito law signed by Governor Small, July 7.

The law itself was introduced into the state legislature by Senator Arthur J. Huebsch, last January, at the instigation of the Gorgas Memorial, and a committee of public spirited citizens. It provides legal means whereby the citizens may tax themselves to eliminate the mosquito menace. The provisions of the law were explained Friday, by Senator Thurlow G. Essington, Chicago, who wrote the law, and by Senator Huebsch who secured its passage in the senate, and was largely instrumental in its favorable reception in the house. Other speakers were introduced by Dr. Franklin Martin, president of the Gorgas Memorial.

Plan Abatement Districts

"One of our chief concerns," said Dr. Martin, "is the consideration of the proper size of Mosquito Abatement districts. Should there be but one district in the whole Metropolitan area, including the counties of Cook, DuPage and Lake? Should the district embrace Cook County? Or, should there be one great district on the north side from Evanston to Waukegan, and perhaps another great district on the west side, and another district on the south?"

Because no work can be done under the new law this summer, interest centers on what is being done by the Sanitary District of Chicago, Dr. Martin pointed out. The Sanitary District work is being supervised by a committee of three, consisting of President T. J. Crowe, and Trustees Mitchell Rosenberg and James M. Whalen. This Mosquito Committee has nearly a hundred men at work, and more are to be added as needed. Warfare of a permanent nature will be carried on in the Skokie valley and in the DesPlaines valley.

In addition to an appropriation of \$35,000 for elimination of the mosquito pest, this committee and the other trustees, have appropriated a further sum of \$2,500 to pay part of the salary of a director of mosquito control. Anton J. Cermak, president of the Cook County board, pays the other half of the salary.

Seek Additional Fund

Since there is a deficit of nearly \$4,000 from last year, it is planned to continue the requests for financial aid from the communities in the Metropolitan area in whose interest the money was spent.

"But for the vigorous work that has been carried on during the past two years," Dr. Martin stated, "it is admitted in most quarters that the present anti-mosquito measure would not have been written upon the statute books, and as a consequence, mosquito warfare would still have to be carried on in the haphazard method of former

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Navy Deserter and Stolen Car Located by Winnetka Police

When Paul Edward O'Neil, of 504 Lawndale avenue, Chicago, was unable to give a satisfactory account of himself and the car which he was driving through Winnetka Saturday of last week, Motorcycle Policemen Frank Rayburn and Rhys Fuidge took O'Neil to police headquarters where it was learned the car which he was driving had been stolen from Otto Hult, of 721 North Menard avenue, Chicago.

After O'Neil had been held to await the action of the grand jury, by C. T. Northrup, police magistrate, and was unable to furnish bond of \$2,000 fixed by the court, he admitted to Sergt. Harry C. Enault that he was a deserter from the Great Lakes Naval Training station. Officials at Great Lakes verified his admission and came down and got him.

O'Neil, in passing through Winnetka with the stolen car, made his mistake when he stopped the car for some time on Sheridan road. It was noticed by the motorcycle men and when O'Neil returned to the car and was questioned by the officers, his answers aroused suspicions, which proved to be well-founded. O'Neil will be tried by the naval authorities.

New Zick Store to Be Formally Opened Today

Today will mark the formal opening of the new store of G. L. Zick & Co. in the Humphrey building recently completed at the northwest corner of Elm and Chestnut streets.

The store has been moved from 795-7 Elm street where it has been conducted since its founding by Mr. Zick fourteen years ago.

Mr. Zick feels that in his new store, which both in design, equipment and stock is the last word in all that these things mean to merchandising, cordially invites all residents of Winnetka and the north shore to visit his new store where they will be welcome, not only on the opening day but at any time.

There are more than 9,000 square feet of floor space in the new store. The first floor is 60 by 87 feet, and the downstairs section, devoted to high quality bargain stock departments, is but a trifle smaller than the main floor.

The ceilings and walls in both the main and down stairs sections are stippled in triple-tint finish, and the illumination in both these sections is by means of a liberal diffusion of the very latest equipment affording an even flood of soft, yet effective light. A modern ventilating system is also a feature.

The unit fixture equipment installed by the Grand Rapids Store Fixture Co., is featured throughout the store, providing for the display and carrying of stock, behind glass doors or in glass drawers. Both the Elm and Chestnut street frontage is provided with large display windows where attractive decorations and stock exhibits evidence the lines to be found within.

A much larger stock is now being displayed. New departments have been added and many others enlarged. The ladies ready to wear section, is one of the departments which has been greatly enlarged and in which much more complete lines are now to be found. In this section is a large conveniently arranged fitting room.

The stock in the department devoted to gifts, toilet articles and drug sundries has been much enlarged, Mr. Zick says, which is also true of the haberdashery department. The new fixtures permit a much more effective display of the stock in this department,

Popular



Edward Johnson, famous tenor of the Metropolitan Opera company is again delighting patrons of Ravinia opera this summer. Mr. Johnson scored a tremendous success on the north shore in October, 1925, when he was the chosen artist in the initial artist-recital program of the Winnetka Music club. He has been a prime favorite with American and European audiences for many years.

Ammonia Gas Brings Visions of War Days to Store Employees

A vision of the effectiveness of chemical warfare and a problem of no mean proportions confronted customers and the employees of the Co-operative Grocery company, 722 Elm street, last Tuesday, when a leak in an ammonia main on a refrigeration plant caused them to make a sudden and forced exodus into the street.

A hastily gathered and informal debating society attacked the question from all angles. The problem remained unsolved. A sudden and veiled sortie by the braver of the numerous by-standers in an effort to get at the seat of the trouble, resulted in equally negligible results. At this juncture some one suggested that a call for reinforcements was much more appropriate than a personal stand for emancipation and glory and a messenger was forthwith dispatched to the local department for special equipment. Chief G. M. Houren responded with a brace of gas-masks.

Now the gas-masks were built for an entirely different purpose and it was still a matter of speculation whether or not they would be much protection. One of the inhalers was mounted upon a volunteer and an investigation was started. The investigator returned in haste. Nothing daunted, the Chief donned the other mask and made for the basement. The gas was bad but bearable and Chief Houren succeeded in closing a valve and shutting down the machine before he was forced to come up for air. The main problem solved, the store soon cleared of gas and the excommunicated force returned to their posts.

and enable the carrying of a much larger stock than heretofore and show up more advantageously the high quality of these lines. The same is true in the department devoted to infants' and children's wear.

CITIZENS ASK C. OF C. TO BOOST YARD REMOVAL

Residents Demand Relief From Annoyance Occasioned in Unloading Freight

Owners of Foxdale property abutting the railroad right of way, appeared in numbers before the Winnetka Chamber of Commerce Monday evening to implore the aid of the Chamber members in their effort to seek relief from what they declare has become an unbearable nuisance in the way of noise and dirt from the freight unloading yards at the rear of their properties.

Their plea was that they had sought homes in Winnetka in the belief that the village, in its plans and management, represented the highest ideal in home development and surroundings, whereas, in the case of this section of the village, to the contrary, conditions have been growing worse and worse, until they declare they will no longer endure it.

Annoyed Throughout Day

The work of unloading freight cars from the side tracks here, begins at an early hour in the morning and often times continues until late in the evening, attended by much dirt and noise, as well as much vulgarity by some of the men employed.

The members of the Chamber were appealed to as business men of the village, of whom the residents protesting are patrons, to lend their aid to have these unloading yards moved to the Northfield section of the village. They sought to bring about the desired relief in a friendly spirit, they said, but wished it to be understood that if they are unsuccessful in this manner of procedure, they have assurance of relief in the form of more drastic measures through the law.

One unfair situation in connection with the condition was explained as a custom of firms from throughout New Trier to use these unloading tracks.

Increase Drayage Costs

Objections to the abandonment of the unloading tracks here and their removal to the Northfield section was said to be based on the additional cost of freight hauling from the more westerly point. This, it was explained, is a very small item, in comparison with what the property owners along Foxdale avenue have suffered and are suffering in the matter of deterioration in values of their property, to say nothing of the annoyance from the dirt, noise and language to which the families residing here are constantly subjected.

The matter was discussed at considerable length and it is not likely that another meeting will be held later during which intervening time the Civic committee of the Chamber, of which Vic Killian is chairman, is further considering the protest.

John Girardin and F. W. Boldenweck were the principal speakers for the property owners. They said they had had the matter before the Village authorities by whom they were advised to take the matter up with the Interstate Commerce Commission. The latter body advised them to go back to the village. The village then sent them to the Northwestern Railroad company and the railroad company advised them to seek the aid of their (the company's) patrons.

The speakers said they were advised by the Northwestern Railroad company that it would be only too glad to provide freight unloading facilities at Northfield, but to this its patrons objected, because of the added increase in expense due to the freight haul from Northfield.