

QUARTON LAKE AGAIN DISCUSSED

Commission Would Accept "Without Strings" Owners Are Told

The commission held an informal discussion Monday night with Jay Walsh, of the Walsh, James & Wasey company relative to the proposal made by the real-estate company several months ago for the village to take Quarton Lake. At that time the offer was turned down because of stipulations made by the company. The village wanted the lake to be used by the public "without any strings."

The commission held the same opinion Monday. Commissioner Lee A. White said he believed an

agreement between the owners and the village could be worked out to mutual satisfaction but that it would be undesirable to accept the offer with the stipulations made by the company. "If this is worked out," he said, "I am in favor either of the commission accepting the lake or of the plan to submit it to the people of the village at an election."

If the village accepted the lake, the owners would be free of taxes. Mr. Walsh said, "We are paying taxes on the lake bottom to the village and yet, everyone uses the lake." The village has been given the use of it this winter for an ice skating rink.

Members of the commission said they believed an agreement would eventually be reached. Mr. Walsh appeared before the board relative to a plat of land and the Quarton Lake discussion was not planned.

Christmas Just Another Day

Many Village Men Must Work Long Hours

"Christmas Day is just Dec. 25 and another day's work to us."

This statement may be uttered by employees of any of the major departments of public service in Birmingham next Tuesday. The policemen, firemen and milkmen are among the outstanding persons who go through an average routine of day's work on Christmas Eve.

These men take their duties philosophically and see little that is extraordinary in the fact that they will be active as usual.

Chief of Police James Anderson and his patrolmen will be on duty during the day. This includes Patrolmen George Townsend, Henry Mildebrandt, Robert Appel, Henry Dims and Serg. Edward Myers. Others are on night duty, starting in a rotating schedule Christmas Eve.

The regular platoon of four firemen will be in readiness at the fire hall to answer any alarm which may occur during the day. As for the milkmen, Christmas only resembles any other day in the year as far as labor is concerned, it surpasses all but

departments in English and Mathematics in high school by Supt. Vliet was authorized. Reports from the joint committee on Woodward avenue was presented by Mr. Palmer and discussed at length.

Mr. Quarton was directed to hold a conference with representatives of the banks and the Oak land County Savings Association concerning school banking.

Moved and seconded that the bills be allowed, carried.

Southern Surety Co., Quarton Building, \$5183.51; Ginn and Company, Text Books, \$115.06; Athletic Trainers Supply Co., Phy. Tr., \$11.17; Charles A. Strelinger, Manual Training, \$1.32; Ralph S. Bird, Refund of Tuition, \$36.00; Luskey, White & Coolidge, Manual Training, \$1.19; First National Bank, Coupons, \$21.26; First National Bank, Pay Roll, \$143.30; World Book Company, Supplies, \$10.06; Johnson, Manville Co., Manual Training, \$1.32; Sheldon Janitor Supplies Co., Janitor Supplies, \$28.23; Research Dept. Skokie School, Text Books, \$10.85; Harry Levey, Physical Training, \$28.85; Standard Oil Company, Boiler Repair, \$14.72; Laidlaw Brothers, Supplies, \$8.25; Lowe & Campbell, Physical Training, \$29.20; G. Schurmer, Inc., Supplies, \$11.04; David Fleming, Quarton Building, \$14.70; First National Bank, Coupons, \$118.75; H. Earle Corvett, Miscellaneous, \$2.00; McClurg & Co., Library Books, \$25.08; Lowe & Campbell, Physical Training, \$11.53; Teachers College, Library Books, \$4.69; American Plush & Velvet Co., Supplies, \$8.72; Tropicos Publishing Co., Inc., \$29.14; Educational Music Bureau, Supplies, \$8.85; Ralph H. Teekham, Quarton School, \$1500.00; First National Bank, Pay Roll, \$954.75; Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., Furniture, \$40.10; First State Bank, Coupons, \$112.09; Educational Music Bureau, Supplies, \$2.29; Gregg Publishing Co., Text Books, \$11.58; Silver-Burdett & Co., Supplies, \$7.00; E. H. Sheldon & Co., Domestic Science, \$1.24; Rose Peterson & Company, Library Books, \$8.44; Benj. H. Sanborn & Co., Text Books, \$1.00; Charles A. Strelinger Co., Stokers, \$93.79; J. W. Dykstra & Co., Coal, \$173.84; Harry Levey, Physical Training, \$95.55; Thomas Charles Co., Supplies, \$3.20; American Type Foundry Co., Printing Dept., \$8.60; Ginn & Company, Free Text Books, \$13.92; Charles A. Strelinger Co., Supplies, \$1.98;

Manual Arts Press, Manual Training, \$7.65; Henry Holt & Company, Text Books, \$16.77; A. Flanagan Co., Supplies, \$2.64; A. I. Kraemer Co., Supplies, \$54.00; Lowe & Campbell, Manual Training, \$78.83; Birmingham Transfer Co. Cartage, \$8.26; National Lead Company, Manual Training, \$19.20; James C. Cobb, Stamps, \$10.00; Melvin C. Hart, Night School, \$78.00. Moved and seconded to adjourn. Carried.

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MESSAGE OF KLAN HEAD ELECTRIFIES CONGRESS

By CHARLES P. STEWART
Washington Correspondent for Central Press and The Eccentric

Washington—Even though Imperial Wizard Hiram W. Evans' "message" to the senate was not read in regular session, like President Coolidge's message, at congress reopening for the winter a few days ago, yet the general verbiage in the "message" that it took first prize—as an innovation.

If the state department was flabbergasted by Representative Fred Britton's recent attempt to usurp its functions, imagine the senate's emotions at having its policy laid down for it by the "K. K. K." head!

Wiz Evans showed that he meant what he said, too. "These considerations MUST," he pointed out, in his communication to the senate, "enter into our examination" of the "Kellogg multilateral anti-war treaty"—after which followed a diagram of the triple considerations.

The "doc"—doubtless all men are aware that Wiz Evans is an exponent—likewise employed the first personal plural pronoun in his "message" in right royal style, thus—"WE command," etc.—and it was perfectly okeh for him to do so, at that, considering that he signs himself an "emperor."

Wiz Evans gives President Coolidge and Secretary of State Kellogg credit for having told the European that the "multilateral treaty" does not mean all they probably think it does.

Unfortunately however, he reminds the senate, Mr. Coolidge's and Mr. Kellogg's utterances have "no weight in international law." It is for this reason that it is for this reason that he is compelled to take hand in the proceedings, to make sure everything is shipshape before the solons ratify the treaty.

There will be no chance for any senate who disregards the Evansian proclamation to wiggle out of responsibility for its role in plenty of time to study it before the date for congress to convene.

In fact, no one disputes having perused it, with considerable interest.

It is quite a bulky pamphlet of 10,000 words, or pretty nearly two newspaper pages, allowing for big, black headlines. Nevertheless, there is not a dull word in it—telling the rest of the world, as it does, exactly where it "gets off."

Some of the language is technical, certainly. Wiz Evans drops rather frequently into diplomatic Latin, as is perhaps unavoidable in a "message" dealing with international questions.

Most of it is understandable, anyway and the use of an occasional dental term peps it up, if anything. Dentistry is a jazzy business.

Nothing could be clearer, for example, than "that we will not do the things Europe wants us to do"—no matter what that are, we positively will not do them. This MUST be incorporated in the treaty—if it takes an acre of reservations.

The imperial wizard "got the jump" on President Coolidge, at all events. His "message" was in all the senators' hands several days before they heard the White House occurred. Thus, they were able to listen to the latter in the full light of what Wiz Evans thinks about it.

Nobody should get the idea that the "doc" is untrained in foreign affairs, either. He once pulled teeth in Paris.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Birmingham, Michigan, November 26, 1928. The regular meeting of the Board of Education was held in the office at 8 p. m.

Present: R. J. Coryell, Ray A. Palmer, Fred V. Quarton and Guy W. Jensen.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved and moved by Palmer supported by Quarton that Principal M. C. Hart and Principal Morse Cooke be sent to Principals' meeting at Lansing on December 13 and 14. Carried.

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