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TRUSTEE WIGGINS RESIGNS

Trustees Leon Werch and Marvin Wiggins were absent from last Thursday's Village Board meeting. This was a continuation of the regular board meeting of September 17th.

Trustee David Callahan submitted a letter of resignation from Marvin Wiggins. The reasons stated were, "I simply no longer have the physical reserve or the available time to effectively serve on the Village Board" he also said he had no choice, "but to submit my resignation as Village Trustee to be effective immediately." Trustee Callahan motioned that this resignation be accepted immediately and the Board unanimously agreed. Robert L. Bell, 7664 Walnut was proposed by the Board to fill the remaining term of Wiggins. Mayor Roberts requested that because of the suddenness of the resignation the Board delay proposing a new Trustee until Saturday when they could all meet together. Roberts said, "It is certainly not the man who prompted my asking for the delay, but rather the method.

A letter was received from attorneys for Winston Hills reminding the Board that the acceptance of a new building code without the agreement of Muss, is a violation of the agreement between Muss and the Village

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Robert Bell Proposed Trustee

Robert Bell, 7664 Walnut, was proposed to fill the remainder of the term of Marvin Wiggins, who resigned from the Village Board Thursday.

Raised in Western Springs, Bell has lived in Woodridge 4 1/2 years. A sales representative for Weber Costello Co. of Chicago, he was graduated from Lyons Twp. High School and attended Aeronautical University, after serving three years in the Marine Corps.

A former member of our First Volunteer Police Force in Woodridge and Co-chairman of the St. Scholastica Dances in Nov. 1964 and 1965.

Bob and his wife Barbara have three children; Patti, 8; Bobby, 6 and Jimmy, 2

Adopt Building Code Without Approval Of Muss

The last order of business taken up at the regular Village Board Meeting, was the adoption of the DuPage County building code with recommended amendments. The building code has been in the process of change for months with the developers, village engineers and DuPage County personnel all carefully examining each section. Minor clarification changes were written into the building code by the Mayor and the Board of Trustees prior to opening the floor to the public.

Albert Kaufman, President of Surety Builders, requested three changes be considered, one each affecting the construction of roofs, flooring and inside stairways. After conferring with the Building Commissioner, Howard Redman, John Trask the Commissioner of Public Works and Jerry Szczepawiak, the Board, in less than twenty words, satisfied Kaufman. These same changes were also on a list of changes presented by Mr. Levine, legal counsel for Joshua Muss of Winston Hills Corpora-

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of Woodridge. The letter further states unless certain changes are made action will be started, i.e. breach of contract suit in the courts. They will postpone this action if another meeting can be arranged to clear up the areas in question in the building code, which was accepted at the Sept. 17th Board Meeting.

Another letter, this one from Winston Hills, was reread to the Board. In this letter one objection, that of backing on aluminum siding, was cited against the DuPage building code. The Board made note of the fact that there were many other instances where the building did not confer to B. O. C. A. A rough draft of reply to the letter from Muss' attorneys was composed.

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Jaycees Campaign To Get Out The Vote

A "Get Out the Vote and Registration" campaign will be spearheaded by the Woodridge Junior Chamber of Commerce, it was announced recently by Jaycee President, Wes Kasonic.

A special committee to handle arrangements for the campaign has been formed, Mr. Kasonic said. Committee members are John Howie, Chairman; Joe Wollney, Otto Masek, Darryl Smith and Bob Stewart. Mr. Kasonic characterized the "Get Out the Vote" type of activity as "tremendously important to the nation's strength because of a growing apathy on the part of qualified voters."

October 6th is the deadline for registration for the November 3rd election.

The Village Hall is open for registration Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon. You may also register at the homes of Mrs. Faye Hoffman, 2913 Crabtree

any evening; Mrs. Ellie Murphy, 7620 Catalpa on Tuesday and Thursday evenings between 8 and 10, or any time during the day by appointment; or Mrs. Rende, 7851 Butternut any time by appointment.

Help!

The Sky Is Falling

An original musical comedy "The Sage of Chicken Little," or "Corn O' Plenty", will be presented by the Woodridge Methodist Church Senior Choir on October 10th at the Woodridge School gym. The songs and script were written by Mr. Richard Trondsen who is also acting as Director. The curtain will be raised at 8 p.m. and the donation will be 50¢ for adults and 25¢ for children under 12. The proceeds from the play will go to the Woodridge Methodist Organ Fund.

Board Actions

Standing Committees and their respective chairmen were regrouped at last Thursday's Village Board Meeting. The Finance Committee is now headed by Edward Redmond, assisted by Robert Renaud and Marvin Wiggins. Building and Zoning Committee consists of David Callahan and Leon Werch and is chaired by Walter Hansen. Leon Werch is Chairman of the Public Protection Committee which also boasts David Callahan and Edward Redmond.

The Board approved giving a check for fifty (\$50.00) dollars to the Woodridge Garden Club. This money will be used by the Club to purchase shrubs, trees or plants to be used to beautify the three entryways leading into the Village.

A resume was submitted by George C. Markley, 2654 Jonquil, for the position of Village Electrical Inspector. Although Mr. Markley was in the audience, the Board did not choose to question him. Instead, Trustee Walter Hansen asked that the matter be deferred to the Building and Zoning Committee. This Committee is now chaired by Hansen.

No Treasurer's Report was available and Mayor Roberts stated that there has been no report since April. He said he felt he couldn't sign checks without knowing the financial state of the various departments.

A contract for conducting this year's annual audit of the Village books was awarded for a fee not to exceed \$300.00.

The Board approved a salary of \$1.25 per hour for the school crossing guard who is to be on duty at 75th and Larchwood twice a day from 8 a.m. until

9 a.m. and again from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Mrs. Frank (Marie) DiDonna had previously been appointed to this position. In further action the Board approved expenditure of \$130.00 to outfit the crossing guard against the elements.

Based upon Trustee Leon Werch's recommendation the Board agreed to make full payment, \$2,420 for the new squad-car purchased from Madden Ford. Trustee Werch then asked that a payroll voucher from the Public Works Department for \$1,162 be held up as no breakdown was shown.

ST. SCHOLASTICA

A further appeal is being made by the St. Scholastica Women's Society for usable articles for their Rummage Sale October 3rd.

If you have any suitable items to donate, call Mrs. Vandeleur, WO 9-0757, or Mrs. DeLuca, WO 9-1230.

Lutheran Church

Six children were awarded attendance pins by the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church School on the first Sunday of the fall semester, Sept. 13. Receiving awards for the 2nd year were: Debra Henk, Douglas Henk, and Kevin Henk, for the 1st year; David Nottelmann, Phyllis Nottelmann and Karen Swanson. Attendance awards are presented to children who have no more than two unexcused absences for one year.

The Junior Choir sang for the first time Sunday, Sept. 20, at the 9:30 a.m. Worship Service at the Woodridge School. Children in grades three through eight are invited to participate. Rehearsals are at the Lutherna Parsonage, 2735 75th Street. The Junior Choir sings every Sunday morning.

Two new confirmation courses are being offered this Fall for instructing youth for membership in the Lutheran Church. Following the new Lutheran Church in America Curriculum the Junior Class begins at grade seven, meeting every Thursday at 4:45 p.m. at the Lutheran Parsonage. A special one year course is offered for High School youth who have had no previous confirmation instruction. This class meets every Thursday at 6:45 p.m. at the Lutheran Parsonage.

A newly formed couples club is meeting at the Roger Thoren's, 2707 Forest Glen Parkway for a square dance on Saturday, September 26th, 8:00 p.m. This group intends to be sponsoring various types of social activities each month. Members and friends of Prince of Peace are invited to attend.

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POINT OF VIEW

RAMONA KINSER

I believe when writing a column that by its very nature is sure to influence public opinion one degree or another, one has a responsibility not to deal in half-truths, for half-truths repeated often enough, especially when they go unchallenged or undenied, have a way of becoming the whole truth. My fellow writer has chosen to repeat in each of her three columns the same points, over and over, and because they contain some particle of fact, she has by now convinced some of you that what she says is wholly true, and the many unanswered questions she asks have probably raised serious doubts among readers, who at this point don't know what to believe. I say Mrs. Cooling has based her opinions not on first-hand information, for she has only recently resumed attending board meetings after nearly a year's absence, but indeed depends on another source for details of the meetings of that past year. She has quoted Mayor Roberts quite extensively, so if it is from him that she obtains the details on which she bases her opinions, I urge you to re-evaluate the conclusion at which you have arrived, for Mayor Roberts has a penchant for revealing only information sufficient for one to conclude what Mayor Roberts wishes concluded.

Last issue I stated that I did not want this column to deteriorate into a contest. Now my fellow columnist has turned that "contest" into a "slugfest" and then ignores the rules with below-the-belt-blows. Through

BARBARA COOLING

It seems that from birth we surround ourselves with routine and pre-set patterns. We always; never; drink our coffee immediately upon arising. Normally the same cigarette is removed first, from a new package. Even the police department considers a book of matches a vital clue in more ways than one. Yet there are areas where routine must be broken. On days when an egg would fry on the pavement, a man will remove his hat as our Country's flag passes in parade. No matter how much prestige or importance we carry, courtesy demands a show of deference where age is concerned. In all areas of our lives courtesy demands that occasionally, routine be set aside. Man is not made smaller by displaying the "virtue" of courtesy, but rather, larger.

At a recent Village Board Meeting I was, personally, embarrassed by the lack of the "virtue". In the audience sat both village developers and two attorneys. These men are just as busy as those who govern our village and they were there for only one reason: The ordinance proposing a building code was to be discussed. In this ordinance they had as much, or more, at stake as the village. They had to sit through three hours of routine before our officials decided to "take up" the building code in question. In my opinion it would not have harmed the committee reports or any other business which the board considers prior to "old business", to have considered

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VILLAGE BAPTIST BRIEFS

Rev. Roop will deliver his last two sermons in the present series of "Nuggets From Numbers" on September 27th at 11 a.m. and at 7 p.m. The sermon for the 11 a.m. hour will be "Bring Us Not Over Jordan" which is based on Numbers Chapter 32. During the evening service at 7 p.m. the new Youth Director of the church will offer his first sermon to the people.

All reports must be ready for the Church Business Meeting October 14th.

The men of the church worked until midnight last week and laid the floor tile in the nave of the church. This week should see the completion of the brick work and the painting of the basement.

Sunday, September 27th is Promotion Day in our Sunday School. Mr. Don Berntsen is in charge.

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WOODRIDGE SCHOOL

Shifra Werch

September 8th school bells rang and the Woodridge School year got off to a running start, in spite of the heat that accompanied that first day.

The projects of the first week seemed to be turned toward the safety of the students. In the lower grades Mrs. Arnold's second grade and Miss Miller's third are studying their safety rules, while Mrs. Miley's first grade is getting to know their telephone numbers and addresses.

In the upper grades the safety patrol is already in action with 29 seventh and eighth grade boys patrolling all the busiest corners. They are stationed on the corner of Forest Glen and

Deerfield, from Deerfield to Walnut and from Woodridge Drive to the cul-de-sac west of the school. They also patrol the bridge on Chestnut and the area around it. These boys spend their time guarding the well-being of the other children and making sure the following rules and others are enforced.

1. No bike riding on the school grounds.
2. Always ride your bike on the right side of the road and use hand signals.
3. Never walk more than two abreast.
4. When on the school grounds, walk, don't run.
5. Don't walk on the grass.
6. Students aren't to use the

parkway.

The boys aren't the only ones on patrol, for many of the girls are on the girls' patrol. They supervise both entrances in the morning and lead the children in the first through third grades that stay for lunch in organized games at noon.

There are other activities going on at the school, too. Such as the vacation study in Mrs. Benedict's third grade, dramatization of poetry in Miss Miller's third and a study of art form in Mrs. Jury's sixth grade class. Tuesday, the ninth of September, the eighth grade holds its elections for class officers.

This should prove to be a great year and the students I've interviewed say that they expect the coming year to be a "blast."



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BUILDING CODE

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tion.

Mr. Levine stated that Muss had been at the Village Hall waiting to discuss the building code ordinance, from 7:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. at which time a personal matter necessitated his departure. The ordinance was not taken up until 11:00 p.m. Muss has repeatedly asked to meet with the Village Board to discuss various changes in the building code; He has not been able to do this Levine said. He further stated that although the report from Wight Engineers, concerning changes in the building code, was postmarked Tuesday, Muss did not see it until the morning of the Board Meeting. The entire amendments were not seen by Muss until he arrived at the Village Hall for the meeting. Muss had prepared a list of necessary changes or clarifications which he felt needed to be resolved before the ordinance was passed.

The annexation agreement with Winston-Muss provides that the Village shall not change its building code for a period of five years unless the consent

of Winston-Muss is given. It is due to this article in the annexation agreement that the Village possibly faces breach of contract suit.

The Trustees asked Levine to read the list prepared by Muss so they could, if possible, resolve the matter. Levine stated that he was not prepared to argue the points in question and requested that the Board postpone the passage of the building code until Joshua Muss could meet with the Board and the engineers to discuss the various points.

Trustee Marvin Wiggins stated that for four months the parties involved had been talking about the code and during that time they have been talking 140 building permits have been issued and more delays would mean more permits issued.

Under protest Levine read the list prepared by Muss. On one point covering three items and again on three other points the Board stood firm on its' refusal to yield. Other points had been clarified earlier or changed upon request of Albert Kaufman. Based on the "no's" Levine again requested postponement. He stated that, "if this is not postponed and we cannot build prop-

erly under this we'll take action". By action, it is assumed, Levine referred to litigation.

Mayor William Roberts reminded Levine that if this code was not passed, "we'll let the County come in." This would mean that the County would issue building permits and inspect the buildings. "We have no contract with the County; we have with you," Levine answered. He again pleaded to postpone action on the building code "as the Board has gone for three months it seems foolhardy not to hold off one more meeting." We would like to avoid, if possible, litigation, he said.

Village Board Attorney, James McClure said the Village has been reasonable and made efforts to cooperate but it must seek to protect its citizens. "There is too little in differences to go so far."

Trustee Marvin Wiggins asked for acceptance of the ordinance establishing the building code. With Trustee Leon Werch casting the only no, the ordinance was passed.

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On Wednesday, Sept. 30th, the Woodridge Garden Club will meet at 8 p.m. in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond DiFrancesco, 2935 Westridge Drive.

Since its beginning about five years ago, the club has gradually become a very small organization whose members consist of approximately 15 families residing in the Village. It is hoped that this year more of the villagers will have taken an interest in Garden Club activities and are planning to become members. Much can be learned about gardening, landscaping, flower arranging and holiday decoration.

In the past the club has participated with the landscaping of the Woodridge School, assisted in purchasing trees for Arbor Day and, as an added interest, provided the school with a living Christmas Tree for the students, decorated with ornaments patterned after the 50 states, made by the members. This tree was later planted in the school yard.

At present the club is actively interested in landscaping the entrances to the Village. Many thanks go to Mr. Ludvig Petersen, *The Woodridge News* Garden Editor, of Barbers Corners Nursery, for his donation of two Blue Spruce Trees and to the Herbert Gulbrandsen family who voluntarily planted these trees at the athletic field entrance on Woodridge Drive. There is still a great amount of work to be done and the Garden Club needs your help. If anyone has anything to offer that can be used in this way, please contact President Marie DiFrancesco, WO 9-4375. It will be gratefully appreciated.

Editor's Comments

There is much talk in the news about the Bobby Baker Case. There is often much talk about those in positions of public service and prominence. Washington-Hollywood - England -- even Woodridge. This talk however, is not generally balanced on the other hand with public praise and appreciation. Complimentary commentaries of action and service in our sophisticated society appear to many as flag waving and outdated conversation. I for one do not feel the practice is indulged in enough.

We would like to express a public word of "Thanks" to Jim Kinser for the dedication of purpose and service which he extended to the Village during his term as Trustee. We have heard words of praise for Jim from various political factions and we would like to add our own expression of appreciation and offer to him our sincere best wishes.

Woodridge Police Clerk, Mrs. Frances Furio, announced that she is a Notary Public. Anyone who needs a document notarized can contact her either at the Village Hall or by calling 964-0674.

Mothers Club

At the first meeting of the Woodridge Mothers Club held September 15th, President Mary Lou Hartfield introduced her Board to the members in attendance. They are Mrs. Ginger Swierbinski, Program Chairman; Mrs. Dorothy Zid, Membership and Special Project Chairman; Mrs. Frances Foyer, Co-Chairman; Mrs. Pat Moe, Refreshment Chairman; Mrs. Peg Muchawoski, Co-Chairman; Mrs. Helga Scudder, Ways and Means Chairman; Mrs. Betty Pogue and Mrs. Virginia Czekański, Co-Chairman; Mrs. Marilyn Treasurer, Publicity Chairman; Mrs. Barbara Lentz, Co-Chairman; Mrs. Geri Riha, Hospitality Chairman; Mrs. Connie Kenealy, Co-Chairman; Mrs. Barbara Willis, Health Chairman; Mrs. Rose Kolody, Co-Chairman.

Mrs. Nancy Roach, Corresponding Secretary read two letters of resignation. Mrs. Arlene Woodin resigned as Treasurer, and Mrs. Glenda Weisenhofer as Recording Secretary. Both will be leaving Woodridge in the near future. Mrs. Jean Moderson filled the vacancy of Treasurer. The post of Recording Secretary has not as yet been filled.

Anyone wishing to donate time in on one of the booths at the Fun Fair on October 17th, please contact Mrs. Geri Riha, 969-0347.

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POINT OF VIEW

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Ramona Kinser

what I consider to be outright maliciousness, Mrs. Cooling would have her readers believe there was some "hanky-panky" involved because in her words, "work stopped on 'sub-standard' homes in Winston Hills was allowed to resume a week later". ("By whose influence?" she asks.) "Then a Trustee resigned because of a conflict of interest to go to work for Winston-Muss Corp. in the near future".

Hogwash!!

In the first place, construction was stopped due to a question over road and sidewalk improvement bonds. That question resolved to the majority's satisfaction, the stop-work order was lifted. It had nothing whatever to do with "sub-standard" homes.

The alleged description "sub standard" as applied to Winston Hills homes has been attributed only to Trustee Marvin Wiggins and did not represent any one else's opinion. Mrs. Cooling has referred to the homes being "sub-standard", when, as I understand it, the homes were being built according to modified specifications allowable under B.O.C.A., which made the B.O.C.A. code sub-standard to the County code. The Board learned within the last 4 months, I am told, that because B.O.C.A. does not meet minimum standard of the County, it is in conflict with State statutes which make that stipulation a requirement of Village building codes.

When Mrs. Colling refers to a Trustee who resigned because of a "conflict of interest" she doesn't know what she is talking about, and I do, be-

cause that subject is my husband. Jim Kinser is not "going to work for Winston-Muss", he resigned because there existed the possibility that he might lease property owned by Winston-Muss Corp. in order to go into business for himself at a considerable financial investment to us, with all the inherent risk such a venture carries. This possibility was in the discussion stage and still is -- there are no signed contracts or commitments of any kind other than verbal. My husband resigned when he did (and gave a truthful reason rather than the usual "no longer able to devote the time" excuse that is so often used) because he did not want a conflict of interest to ever arise, nor did he wish to be accused of it. And yet he is accused!

I know there are those who will always believe the worst about public officials. Politician? Ipso facto, he is engaged in graft and corruption. I have been guilt of such thoughts at times myself, as have probably many of you. But to think it is one thing -- to put in print an unsubstantiated insinuation of this nature is irresponsible and vicious.

Mrs. Cooling told me she believed we two were asked to write these columns because we were "rabble rousers." This in no way expresses my opinion, for, as I told her, I felt it was because "we were articulate proponents of our respective causes." Now, however, I must frankly admit Mrs. Cooling described far better than I what she is doing.

Copies of photographs which appear in the Woodridge News may be ordered by calling 964-0515. 3x5, \$1. 5x7, \$1.25. 8x10, \$1.50.

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Barbara Cooling

the building code first. Why couldn't someone have said, "Let's take this building code first, then go back to our normal agenda routine? I do not mean to say that our Mayor or the Board of Trustees, are low men on the totem pole, prestige-wise, but I felt they were lacking in courtesy to make these men sit through three hours of what must have been, to them, dull routine.

I fail to see how a break in routine could have possible hurt either the Village, the governing body or the developers. We could have raised our "image" one rung on the ladder. We may have avoided misunderstandings with Muss. Sometimes we lose sight of that little thing called courtesy.

Our courtesy does not even extend to our paid village engineers. For example, the corporate limits of the village of Woodridge extend northward to the Woodridge Golf Course, southward to 80th. In my opinion this puts the center line of the village somewhere between 75th Street and Hobson Road. Yet the Village Board with approval of the Public Works Department, but apparently without consulting the village engineers, proposes to erect a \$7,500 shell to house public works equipment, in the southwest sector of the village on what was designated a park. Being optimistic I expect our village to expand and grow -- Eastward. If this happens it places our street sweepers (?) and snow removal equipment way out in left field.

It is also disturbing to note that \$7,500 is not the total cost

Barbara Cooling

figure. Being a shell with apparently no electricity, water or telephone, no flooring, or improved access streets and no consultation with our village engineers, it seems apparent that next fiscal year another \$7,500 might be spent to complete this structure. Doing things this way undoubtedly keeps a referendum from coming before the citizens; it also keeps the village engineers from offering any constructive criticism and, because no complete engineering or architectural drawings have been submitted, it also may be oblivious of any building code.

I'm beginning to think that my insistence that village engineers, who after all are experts in their field, be called in, is only my point of view, as no one seems to have heard from you who pay their bills.

Garden Editor's Notebook

LUDVIG PETERSEN

BARBERS CORNERS NURSERY

PINE FAMILY

The Pine family is by far the largest and most important family of evergreens used for ornamental purposes. We are only going to discuss a few of the most important members commonly grown in this locality.

Juniper (*Juniperus*) is definitely the number one evergreen in this area. They may have small scale-like leaves pressed close to the twigs or they may have needle-like leaves, sometimes soft and sometimes needle sharp. Their natural habitation runs from the arctic to the subtropic and we therefore find Junipers well suited for almost any climate. Not alone are there plenty of hardy species, but they can stand exposure to the wind, which makes them good for windbreaks. Like most plants they like a moderately moist, loamy soil, but they are not too fussy and some species will grow in dry, rocky, locations. They like sun. There are so many species and each species has so many variations, that it would be hopeless to begin mentioning names, but there is one for every need, as they vary all the way from 60 ft. high trees to low, almost prostrated shrubs only a foot or two high when mature. There are columnar and pyramidal forms, and there are globular and spreading forms. Who does not know the Pfitzer! Go to the nursery, pick out the Junipers with the particular growing habits you are looking for, and you will enjoy them for years to come.

Arborvitae (*Thuja*) is valuable both for the garden and as a timber tree. It is easily identified by the small, scale-like leaves completely covering the twigs which stand in flat fan-

like sprays. Arborvitae grows naturally where there is coolness and moisture, and they have been high-bred into as many growing habits as can be wished for; Trees, bushes, tall and slender, spreading and globular, but unfortunately, Arborvitae doesn't like wind, dust or smoke. There are thousands of Arborvitae planted every year for effect - they are beautiful and of course many of them turn out fine, but there are also many disappointments.

Spruce (*Picea*) makes beautiful evergreen trees, hardy and majestic. Everybody knows the Spruce as a Christmas Tree. Actually it is not well suited for this purpose, because it loses its needles so easily. However, for a specimen tree or for a background or wind-break, it is hard to beat. The Norway Spruce (*Picea Abies*) is probably the most widely cultivated evergreen. It is pyramidal in shape and grows up to 150 ft. high. The needles are about 3/4" long, shining dark green; it can stand shearing well and can therefore also be used as an evergreen hedge, and it can be made to grow very dense by shearing. The Colorado Blue Spruce (*Picea Pungens*) is another popular tree in the garden. It has 1-1/4" long prickly bluish-green pointed needles. The variation Koster is especially popular for lawn planting because it is more blue than the others. Next in popularity comes the Blackhill Spruce (*Picea Glauca* Albertiana), needles bluish-green 3/4" long. Although Spruce normally grow into tall trees, dwarfs can also be had which never grow more than a few feet in height.

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WOODRIDGE METHODISTS

"Conflict in Religions," part 2 will be Rev. Siple's sermon Sunday, September 27 at the Woodridge Methodist Church.

A meeting for Sunday School Teachers will be held Wednesday September 30th, at 8:00 p.m. at the Parsonage.

Bishop Pryor, will be guest of honor at a reception at First Methodist Church in Oak Park at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27. It is desired that all members of Woodridge Methodist Church be on hand to welcome him to his new assignment.

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From The Office Of The Principal Woodridge School

Mr. Sedlacek, Principal of Woodridge School, announced Thursday, October 8 and Friday, October 9 as dates for the eye testing program under the direction of Miss Russell, Registered Nurse. Mrs. Kolody and Mrs. Willis, the Health Chairmen for the school, will be assisting.

Police Chief Kagann met with the patrol boys, Mr. McCarthy and Mr. Sedlacek on Friday, September 18th to discuss their role in the community and also to answer their many questions. He praised our boys for the wonderful job they are doing.

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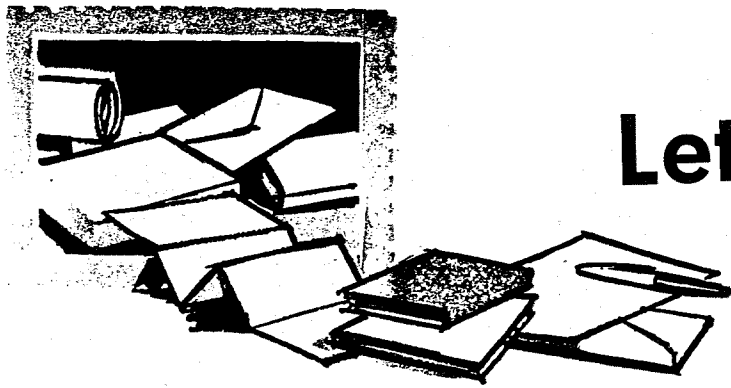
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SATURDAY 9 TO 6
SUNDAY 9 TO 4



Letters

To The Editor

MR. PERCY AND MENTAL HOSPITALS

After hearing the Republican Candidates' frequently speak about the conditions of the various State Hospitals, I wish to say a word or two about the State Hospital at Dixon, Illinois.

I was employed at the Dixon State Hospital for 3-1/2 years during the depression days of the 30's and even then it was most difficult to secure first class help. So many people who have never even visited a State Institution of this type, have no idea of exactly what a difficult job caring for the mentally ill really is like.

It is impossible for me to forget my first day at Dixon State Hospital. I was assigned to a cottage of little boys ages 6 to 15. Many of them seemed to think I was their mother, as they stayed close all day, and their little hands and eyes told a very sad story.

Out of the 40 boys in this cottage, it was unusual for more than 3 to have visitors on Sunday, but all were constantly looking forward to Sunday and hoping that someone would call on them.

To work in a mental hospital a person must have patience, kindness in their heart, and a self determination to make living more comfortable for those unfortunate people, unable to

care for themselves.

Knowing Governor Otto Kerner personally for several years, I happen to know he is a kind gentle person, always most considerate of the thoughts and feelings of other people.

In 1961 the mental health situation in Illinois had reached a deplorable state -- existing institutions were greatly overcrowded and under-staffed, buildings were deteriorated, hospitals had become a convenient dumping grounds, persons that the community felt were too difficult to care for. One observer described the Illinois program as "a problem of traffic" How best to feed, clothe, and move the patients from one day to the next, with as little trouble as possible.

Governor Otto Kerner has taken great steps forward since his election in 1960. A \$150 million Welfare Bond Issue was approved. Capable Doctors were appointed to head his mental health program.

The problem in the past has been that patients kept coming in, but few had been treated, and released because of the lack of facilities and staff. It meant accumulation of cases was not greatly reduced nor a further accumulations of patients prevented. The Kerner administration saw that existing long term programs could be supplemented by intensive short term ambulant programs

through community-centered mental health hospital clinics, known as "Zone Centers"

Governor Kerner's program has helped many people having a mental problem. Many received local treatment and were never committed to a State Institution, and many who had been in State Institutions for long periods of time were released.

It is very doubtful if Mr. Percy has had time and interest to thoroughly explore the State Mental Health problem, and it is also doubtful if he has had the first hand information that an employee would receive.

I personally have a great feeling of sympathy for those who are mentally ill. I have great respect for Governor Otto Kerner, who is doing an excellent job in the State of Illinois, without fan-fare, or great self praise, and I regret the Republican Candidate chose to make the mentally sick a campaign issue, as they really deserve the continued help and kindness shown by our Governor Otto Kerner.

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GARDEN EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

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The Spruce is not over particular as to soil, but it is demanding as to moisture. It will not thrive in really dry places nor in poorly drained soil.

Firs (Abies) are not good trees for this region and are only mentioned because the species Balsam makes such a good Christmas Tree. It does not lose its leaves, but unfortunately it does not grow well here. It does not like our dry, hot summer days.

Next week we will discuss more members of the Pine Family.

Elaine M. Kujawa, 36, of 7709 Larchwood, died suddenly of an apparent cerebral hemorrhage.

A member of St. Scholastica Church, and active in many of the church's activities, Mrs. Kujawa is survived by her husband, George and two children, ages 3 and 5.

The Kujawas came to Woodridge from St. Cloud, Minnesota in May of 1962.

BROWNIES

Brownie Troop 157 will begin their winter program with a meeting Tuesday, September 29 under the guidance of Leader Rose Kolody and Co-Leader Mrs. Harrison.

Other officers are: Troop Committee Chairman, Marie Di Donna; Telephone Committee, Lee Fisher; Transportation Committee, Doris Thomas, and Troop Committee Member, Betty Oaks.

Scout News

Boy Scout Troop #109's outdoor ventures will again be added to by an overnight outing Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 25 - 27. The troop will camp out at the Thunderbird Scout Camp which lends itself very adequately to "real north woods" camping.

The boys gain real camp skills and also useful household skills on these camp outs, such as cooking, knot-tying, first aid and many other merit accomplishments.

Woodridge Womens Bowling League

Woodthrushes Bowling League
Week of Sept. 14th

<u>High Team</u>	3 games
Blue Birds	1908
<u>High Individual</u>	3 games
Lolly Bossany	495

<u>High Game Individual</u>	
Lolly Bossany	174

Team Standings

	<u>Wins</u>	<u>Losses</u>
1 Blue Birds	3	0
2 Eagles	2	1
3 Jay Birds	2	1
4 Larks	2	1
5 Orioles	2	1
6 Starlings	2	1
7 Flamingos	1	2
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9 Cardinals	1	2
10 Night Owls	1	2
11 Robins	1	2
12 Ravens	0	3

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