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### **Guest Editorial**

By Dave Pannkuk

Perhaps a perspective is in order. By that I mean the relationships of aspects of a subject to each other and to a whole.

The whole I refer to is our community, our village. The subject is *Village Views* and support thereof.

There is no need in this perspective to go back, in time, and comment on the beginnings of VV. Sufficient to say there was a need, indicated by a set of situations, and Village Views was a positive and successful response.

Time passes and original need receeds. One opinion might state that VV no longer responds to **any** need. Given that premise, the recent response to a request for monetary support — \$100?? — might give credence to that opinion.

Up to the present time, Village Views has received 174 contributions totalling \$901.36 as a result of last month's call for financial support.

The net, however, is \$701.36, since one resident of the village had advanced \$200 as a stop-gap measure and that sum must be repaid.

Contributors included three organizations — St. Thomas Church, the Women's Club, and the Garden Club.

But give a moment of thought to *Village Views* as part of the community. The community itself is an expression of how we, as members, wish to live together as a group. While we can't use the term tribe, in the ancient sense, we can think of the 800 households in Terrace Park as sharing a set of common endeavours.

Perhaps, if we were smaller, the town meeting or forum might serve to express our wishes. Since we use the Village Council to effectively administer our values and feelings, there does exist a need to share their meetings through a broader means.

The concept of VV is to reflect what we as a community do. Through its reporting staff, we are informed, not only of Village Council proceedings, but of our history, our unique citizens, and the happenings of various groups within the community.

At present, there are two imperatives for the continuing survival of Village Views as part of Terrace Park.

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# Scenic RR Proposal Hits Snag

By Lynn Nelson

Village council members applied the brakes at the March 8 meeting to plans for development of the Little Miami Scenic Railroad. A voice vote tabled a resolution asking Governor Rhodes to include a \$2 million appropriation in his 1977-79 Capital Improvements Budget towards acquisition of the Little Miami Railroad right-of-way and additional scenic lands.

Following the vote, several members declared their negative response did not necessarily mean they oppose the idea of a scenic railway. Rather, they sought more time to weigh both personal and community feeling.

Plans include a 52 mile long scenic railway running from Mariemont to Spring Valley in Greene County, plus possible biking and hiking paths.

Parks and Recreation chairman Chuck Rockel told of taking a recent Sunday afternoon stroll during which two residents stopped him to express their opposition. Councilman Griffith said he thought the idea of a scenic railway "super," but added he harbors concern about a public park that "basically would bisect our village."

Mayor Ray Cadwallader addressed council on the urgency of the issue. Cadwallader advised that an appropriations bill being prepared in Columbus would have state monies matched by federal funds, and "the further along a bill progresses, the harder it is to have it amended."

The mayor noted a letter he had received from the City Manager of Xenia, Ohio, expressing positive interest in the railway. Additionally, Little Miami Inc. hopes for approval from all communities along the river.

### Landfill Open

Starting Saturday, March 1, the village land-fill will be open from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. for citizens to get mulch and also to dump leaves, chipped wood and brush.

Monthly pickup of materials too large for the Tuesday trash pick up will continue on the second Wednesday of each month. Please call the village office, 831-2137, to schedule this service.

# Police Dept. Reorganization Hiett Is Cleared, But Resigns

## Mayor's Statement

March 2, 1977

To the Council:

Please be advised that as Mayor of the Village of Terrace Park whose term commenced on January 1, 1976, and concludes on December 31, 1979, I have undertaken research and investigation of certain allegations made against Chief Robert Hiett. I find these allegations not worthy for me to press charges for the dismissal of Chief Hiett.

The Council of the Village of Terrace Park is hereby notified that no charges will be filed against the Chief based on any rumor or alleged misconduct about which I have knowledge.

The Chief of Police, a a public figure, is continually subject to conflicting claims and charges. Nevertheless, he must make decisions.

It would serve no purpose to detail the specific matters investigated. The investigation involved interviewing many persons and inspecting numerous records. Based on the findings of this investigation, I shall not be filing any charges demanding the removal of Chief Robert Hiett.



Mrs. Richard Hildbold, 212 Cambridge Ave., shows some of her antique quilts which will be displayed at the Community House April 12. (Photo by Dan Vickers)

# Quilt Show To Note Village's Birthday

This year marks the 84th birthday of Terrace Park's incorporation as a village on April 12, 1893, and there are plans to observe the anniversary.

So many quilts, for which there was insufficient space, were proffered for the Bicentennial Historical Display that it was decided to have a special quilt show to mark a Terrace Park milestone. Tuesday, April 12 is the date and "show time" will be 11 a.m. through 5 p.m. at the Community House.

Mrs. Ray Cadwallader and wives of village councilmen will serve the refreshments from 2 until 4 p.m. to add a birthday party touch.

Everyone in the Park is welcome to exhibit and all types of quilts will be welcome. Accompanying the quilts will be a modest display of books on quilting, some quilt templates, and an album of old pieced-quilt patterns.

Deliver quilts with owner's name attached to the back, to the Community House between 9 and 11 a.m. that Tuesday. Quilts are to be picked up by the owners between 5 and 6 p.m.

If you wish to take part, call chairman Ruth Lanner (831-2989) so she'll have an idea of how many to plan for. Thirty-five have already been promised.

Reorganization of Terrace Park police protection, either by appointment of a new police chief or possible negotiation with the Indian Hill Rangers, faces the village following the resignation of Police Chief Robert Hiett.

Chief Hiett said he would resign this week, on March 15 or 16. That word came after Mayor Ray Cadwallader announced that an investigation had failed to substantiate allegations of misconduct and that therefore no charges would be brought against the chief. Village council appropriated \$1,000 for the inquiry.

As Village Views went to the printer's on Monday, Cadwallader would say nothing other than that he would comment on the police situation on March 15, and that meantime the village "is not looking for a police chief." There are at the moment, however, no formal discussions under way with Indian Hill.

as late as last September Hiett opened an informal exchange with Col. William R. Barnett, chief of the Rangers, concerning possible Ranger service to Terrace Park.

Hiett said he felt it was difficult to justify a \$100,000 police budget considering the size and nature of Terrace Park and its minimal crime rate. Elimination of duplications in communications and other equipment, Hiett said, would reduce Terrace Park's police expense by upwards of \$20,000 a year.

At that time, Barnett said the proposal "deserves further exploration," would cause no administrative or supervisory changes in the Ranger organization, and would result in savings through eliminating duplications.

Hiett had refused to resign earlier, contending that to do so under the threat of investigation would jeopardize his professional standing. But he said when the investigation began that he would resign once his name had been cleared.

Before his resignation, Hiett signed a statement agreeing not to sue the village. The village will pay him for substantial overtime which he has worked, and other as yet unspecified financial considerations.

The mayor's report that no charges of any substance could be brought against the chief (printed elsewhere on

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### Spring Cleaning?

ಾನ್Please save any "white elephant" treasures for the PTA flea market to be held on Saturday, May 21. Items can be delivered to the school on Friday, May 20. Watch the bulletin boards for more details.

# Another Bazaar Set At St. Thomas Church

The St. Thomas Christmas Bazaar has been an annual event for the past 26 years. It has attracted attention from the Cincinnati community at large on Bazaar day, and working participation from our village and surrounding communities in addition to St. Thomas parish members.

In other words it has been a gathering center for creativity and fellowship, and has produced large sums of money for mission work. But each year, the question arises — "should it continue?"

After meeting with the Rev. Robert Gerhard, rector of St. Thomas, it has been decided

that there would be a 1977 Bazaar for several reasons:

• for the fellowship and sharing that is enjoyed.

For the joy of nurturing creativity

For the companionship with non-members of St. **Thomas** 

• For the money which has supported really worthy causes

The leadership for the next Bazaar will be announced, but in the meantime those interested in beginning may call the church office or Mrs. Richard Mileham.

• For the fellowship and sharing that is enjoyed.

# Village Bulletin Board

March 29 - Garden Club, spring luncheon at T.P. Country Club at noon. Special "A New Season" small arrangements using spring bulb blossoms. Hostesses, Margaret Whitehouse, Blanche Kain, Kath Startsman

April 1 - School vacation starts at end of school day

April 12 - Child Study meeting at 7:30, Marlene Scholl's 1 Elmwood. Natalie Hitner of Natalie's House of Embroidery, "Creative Needlework." Everyone welcome.

April 30 - Clodhoppers spring formal at T.P. Country Club. Call Sue Whittaker, Sue Abernethy or Lyn Mileham for information

April 23, 24 and April 30, May 1, Players Dinner-Show. Call Rosanne Ryan for reservations, 831-7326

March 20 - St. Thomas Church concert by Chamber Singers of Wright State University at 8 p.m.

April 12 - Quilt Show commemorating Terrace Park's birthday, at the Community House from 1 to 5 p.m.

# New Village Employes Make Their Mark In Snow Emergency

By Jeanne Sanker

"The Winter That Was" produced many stories of crises and heroes throughout the area. Terrace Park has its own heroic tale in the dedicated and energetic service of its maintenance crew, Marvin Alexander and L. D.

Despite extreme cold, constant and deep snow, and antiquated equipment that sometimes had to be repaired before it could be used, Marvin and L. D. kept the Terrace Park streets clear and safe at all times during this memorable win-

At the height of one of the storms. Marvin worked a 21hour period without stopping. Sometimes he came in at 2 a.m. just to make sure the equipment was operable.

"If there's a job to be done, stay with it 'til it's done," is one of the mottoes that help make him such a valuable employee.

Prior to his starting to work here four years ago, he had been employed for 15 years by Camargo Stables in In-

Marvin, his wife, Sue, and their three children, ages 16 to 3, live on a farm near Blanchester from where he makes his daily trek into Terrace

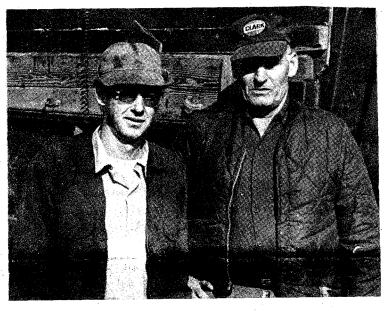
When he finds any spare time, he enjoys fishing and motorcycle riding.

Like Marvin, L. D. Jarvis is a native of southern Kentucky. He began working for the Village just four months ago. He and his wife, Vergie, have a three-year old son and they live in Milford.

L. D. is a sports fan and a loyal Reds and Bengals supporter.

Looking at the past couple of months philosophically, Marvin and L. D. agree thankfully that it was probably the severe cold that kept sickness at a minimum for their families.

Terrace Park salutes these "Men for All Seasons" who help in keeping this a good place to live whatever the weather.



Carrying on in the tradition of village employes are Marvin Alexander (left) and L. D. Jarvis. (Photo by Dan Vickers)

# **Rec Commission Off** To New Year Start

Terrace Park Recreation Commission is off to a good start following a meeting of new and old Commission members.

Jim Gilchrist, Dottie Vickers, Bill Fahnestock, and Pete Stites will be missed this year, but deserve a much needed rest from the many years they so unselfishly gave their time and talents to the youth of Terrace Park.

Carrying on the goal of fair play and good sports for the Commission this year are:

Chairman-Jim Rvan Vice Chairman—Ed Larkin Treasurer—Rodger Miller Secretary—Cindy Hudson Basketball—Bill Abernethy Baseball—John Gislason Football—Ken Bassett Riffry—Henry Whitehouse Summer Program—Ray Normile and

Lynn Carden Softball-Karen Boylan Soccer—Dave Schneider Members at large are:

Marianne Gay, Dave Schneider, Clark Sole, and Bob Sluka

Council representative is Chuck Rockel.

Basketball has just come to a close after a successful season for the 5th and 6th

grade league. Although the 5th grade lost to Loveland in the finals, they put up a good

John Gislason reports that baseball sign-up has been completed. Any boy who would like to play but missed the sign-up, may contact Mr. Gislason at 831-0699.

The Recreation Commission meets every second Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the Community House. Meetings are open to all Terrace Parkers and suggestions or comments are always welcome.

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### Guest Editorial

By Don Franke

What will be the downstream consequences of the Army Corps of Engineers' experimental erosion control project in Milford?

The project will extend for some distances in Milford and involve three types of retaining structures and some dredging of the existing river channel. Will this change the direction and velocity of the current downstream, thereby aggravating erosion conditions in Terrace Park in the Michigan, Oxford, Wanoka Woods, Miami Avenue stretch?

If erosion does result downstream, is any agency responsible for damages?

The Corps of Engineers has released only limited information on project specifications, and nothing concerning engineering or hydrological studies of downstream effects. The agency is trying to avoid preparation of an environmental impact statement, or submission of an "A-95" review process by the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Council of Governments. Either of these procedures would provide an opportunity

### **Douglases To Be AFS Hosts**

This year's Social Studies Open House at the High School on March 24 will be featuring Western Europe. In conjunction with this, the Mariemont AFS Chapter is going to put on a European supper honoring Liliane Martin, our current AFS student from Switzerland. A spaghetti dinner with tossed salad and Italian bread will be served for \$1.50 per person from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Our AFS Chapter recently selected Angela and Flack Douglas of 1 Circus Place in Terrace Park as the host family for the foreign student arriving in Cincinnati for the year 1977-78. The Douglases have (among their four daughters) one daughter -Jan — still studying at the high school.

The AFS Chapter also recently selected Pat and Bill Kern of 6965 Crystal Springs in Mariemont as the host family for the domestic summer program student.

to resolve these issues.

Certainly the Mound Street erosion is very serious and should be corrected to save the homes involved. Both Terrace Park Council and Little Miami, Inc., endorsed a plan prepared by the Vogt, Ivers consulting firm. The corp's project, however, is a much larger and much more complex proposal.

It does not help to solve a problem in one area by creating a new, serious erosion condition downstream. Tim is running out in which these legitimate questions can be answered before the project begins.

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The first is relatively simple but apparently rather painful for the majority of us. That step is a contribution of a minimum of \$2.00 from each household. That contribution, mailed to Betsy Holloway, will indicate to the editorial staff the degree of interest in continuing publication of VV. There is an old adage that you can't play hockey without a puck. Your \$2.00 or more will indicate if the game is to continue.

The second step involves the formation of a Village Views Board. This Board will set guidelines, enlist editorial support, and, generally, ensure that Village Views will continue. To that end, I offer to serve as Chairman pro tem (excuse the chauvinism) until a Board is formulated. I would appreciate any number of you calling to give your support to an initial

develop or outline the Board's activities. To help you make up your minds, consider this. Any of us can reside in a house, neighborhood, village, town, or city. But to make the whole enterprise meaningful,

meeting. At that time, we will

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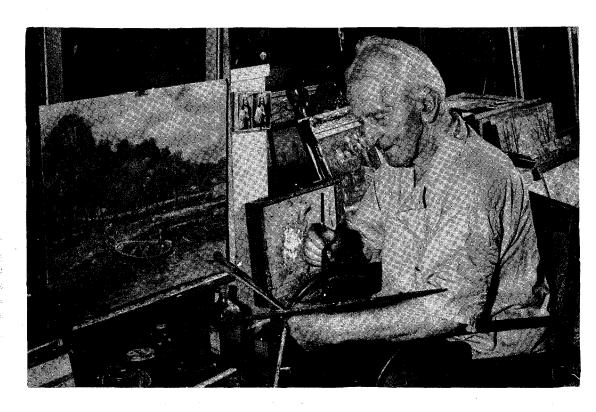


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### **KINDERGARTEN**

Now is the time to register your child for kindergarten for the 1977-78 school year. If you have a child who will be attending Terrace Park kindergarten, or know someone who should be registered, please call Joanne Kennedy, 831-6692, before April 1.

# New Interest Stirred In Work Of Former Terrace Park Artist



Charles Meurer, Terrace Park artist, is pictured at work in his Miami Avenue studio shortly before his death two days before his 90th birthday.

By Zoe Moore

Growing awareness of the nation's history has revived interest too in the works of Charles A. Meurer, an artist of wide renown who spent almost 60 of his 90 years here in Terrace Park. He was known especially for his realistic still-life oil pain-

Born in 1865, he grew up in Clarksville, Tennessee. While a teenager there he painted a panoramic view of Clarksville which convinced him and others that his talent should be pursued. Coming to Cincinnati, he studied at the old School of Design (the forerunner of today's Art Academy) and was greatly impressed by William Harnet's realistic paintings which were exhibited at the Cincinnati Industrial Exposition in 1886. He went abroad in 1891 to further his art studies in Paris and Lyons, France.

One of his most famous paintings was done while in Europe Entitled "My Passport," it depicted a passport on a table, some currency, and a background of a desk and flowers. It created quite a sensation in Europe and was sent to the U.S. to be exhibited at the Chicago World's Fair in 1893. The painting was promptly confiscated by the Secret Service because the \$20 bills were so accurately depicted. Meurer stated later,

"I satisfied them by painting red lines through the natural wrinkles of the bills. It didn't harm the painting but it defaced the money enough to stop the Secret Service people from fretting."

Meurer came to Terrace Park in a rather curious way. Living in downtown Cincinnati after his return from Europe, he ran an ad in a newspaper offering to trade oil paintings for a bicycle. Although he did not get the bicycle, a real estate agent engineered a trade of paintings for a building lot in T.P. While out to look over his new property, another T.P. resident offered Meurer three lots on Miami Avenue in exchange for the original lot, four family portraits and \$80.

So, in 1896, Charles Meurer built his home at 731 Miami with a large second floor studio. (The Cookes live in the house now, but the second floor has been altered.) Here he and his wife raised five children.

Meurer prodigiously for the remainder of his life. While he continued with still life, his style expanded to include landscapes, portraits and florals. In 1944, he was commissioned to paint Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, and the portrait hangs today in the Roosevelt Memorial Library in Hyde Park, N.Y. The great master, Frank Duveneck, proclaimed one of Meurer's landscapes a masterpiece; it was a picture of his back yard in Terrace

In 1948, when he was 83, Closson's had a special exhibit of Meurer's work. He had just finished "The Pen is Mightier than the Sword," a large still life commemorating the press in Cincinnati. Folded issues of The Post, The Enquirer, and The Times-Star lay folded on a desk, with portraits of E.W. Scripps, John R. McLean, and Charles P. Taft above. The desk is in disarray, with a sword under the papers. the ever-present money, and another characteristic feature, a burning cigarette on the edge of the desk.

Meurer worked in his Terrace Park studio until the day he died, just two days shy of his 90th birthday. At 84, one leg was amputated because of a diabetic condition, the other a year later. This did not interfere with his painting; he just moved his studio to the first floor and painted from his wheelchair - with interruptions to play a piano which remained in his parlor-studio.

Two of Meurer's daughters. still reside in Terrace Park, on either side of his original home. Mrs. Louise Frazee

lives at 729 Miami in a home that originally was built by Meurer himself as a summer cottage. Mrs. Caroline Burger resides at 801 Miami. In Mrs. Burger's living room is a beautiful still life her father gave her as a wedding present. Yes, it does have the burning cigarette.

### Schools Turn To Village Patrolman

Joe Cohen, a part-time member of Terrace Park's police force, discussed drugs and drug control recently before such diverse groups as the seventh grade of the Mariemont schools and the Center for Criminal Justice at the University of Indiana.

He is scheduled to speak in Milford schools next month.

Local representative for a security agency, Cohen studied at the Missouri police academy and was a drug control officer in St. Louis before coming here.

# Milford Pushes **Bridge Project**

Calling the bridge over the Little Miami between Terrace Park and Milford too old to carry today's traffic, Milford officials are seeking a speedup of state plans to make a change.

Plans call for thorough renovation of the present span and construction of a parallel structure to carry additional traffic. Estimated costs are \$600,000. Milford already has acquired property at both ends of the bridge to provide for the new

Opening of bids for the project had been set for June 14. Milford is asking for an April 14 opening to expedite the work.

Ohio Department of Transportation officials inspected the present span last summer and found it "needing repair but not dangerous."

# Village Bears Down On Garbage 'Mess'

The mess caused by lack of resident cooperation in placing garbage in proper containers was cited by councilwoman Henley as "appalling" at the March council meeting. Henley spoke of unsightly spillage at pick-up sites, resulting chiefly from garbage being placed in containers with illfitting lids or bags subject to ripping by dogs. Henley noted "there is an ordinance on the books about this and it should be enforced."

With backing from all council members, it was decided to begin a clean-up campaign by (1) publishing the ordinance, (2) sending a warning letter to future offenders, and (3) citing and fining uncooperative offenders.

The ordinance covering placement and removal of garbage and trash containers reads:

"Garbage and trash containers, to be picked up by the contract hauler for the municipality, shall be placed at the appropriate pick up spot, in front or rear of the residence, no earlier than 4:00 p.m. of the day preceding the pick up and empty containers shall be removed from the pick up spot when such pick up is located in an alley, no later than 9:00 p.m. of the day of the scheduled pick up." All garbage and trash containers shall have tight fitting lids."

Additional March council business included:

- Announcement by the Mayor of his appointment to the board of OKI.
- Updating reports from Clerk Don Franke, Chuck

Rockel, and Village Engineer Lindell on the Milford erosion problem along the Little Miami. Lindell has placed on record with the Corps of **Engineers Terrace Park's** opposition to any plan that leads to further erosion on its side of the river.

- A report from Carl Lindell of on-going OKI exploration of possibilities for relocation of Highway 50. There is some disagreement as to whether additional public meetings should be held or community governmental groups should be surveyed regarding option preference.
- Leming's Solicitor statement that the BBS Co. suit attacking Terrace Park's zoning law prohibiting condominiums has been assigned to Judge Klusmeyer of Common Pleas Court.
- Final approval of the septic tank ordinance.
- Approval of Robert Hirschauer as a full time probationary patrolman on the village police force.
- Announcement by Safety chairman Dick Griffith that an area of the parking lot at the Community House will be designated a police parking zone, along with a fire lane circling the Community House.
- Authorization located between 139 and 141 Wrenwood Lane. Forty residents signed a petition requesting the light.

(Continued from Page 1) however, submitted at the March 8 council meeting, and there was no comment by any member upon the situation.

The allegations against the chief never have been disclosed. Village Views has learned, however, that there were 10 in all, made for the most part by former members of the village police depart-

Announcing resignation, Hiett said he has no immediate prospect of employment. He said, however, that after 19 years he is no longer interested in public police work, but hopes to find a job in private industry in a post in which his experience would be valuable.

A demand for the chief's resignation came early this year, after he reportedly had rebuffed suggestions that he seek employment elsewhere because of councilmanic dissatisfaction with his performance. Hiett in turn replied that he had never been informed of any specific causes for dissatisfaction, and did not resign by a deadline ultimately given him.

In retiring, the departing chief fired a few shots of his

He contended, among other things, that he had never been given a free hand in control of the department, and that recommendations concerning hiring and retention of men and their pay had been ignored.

He said that a five-mill exvia tra levy voted in 1974 was ofemergency readings of a fered to the voters as a new street light to be means of providing full-time police service, but that the four-man force set up then since has been reduced to three.

# Birthday Reflections On Terrace Park

By Stanley Miller

The beginning has to go back to the glacial age that created all this beauty. This area was under a huge lake covering one third of Ohio, formed by a huge ice jam at Cincinnati, backing water beyond Pittsburgh. As this drained away, the Little Miami River was created.

Then, this beautiful area was discovered by Ben Stites, who interested Judge Cleves Symmes. Ben and his party landed at Columbia in 1788. Fifty days later Capt. Abraham Covalt (on Jan. 19, 1789) came and hurried up the Little Miami to build a fort for his 46 relatives and adventurers. Before 1800, John Smith purchased 480 acres from the Covalt heirs and established residence.

Another move in Terrace Park development was the Cincinnati & Chillicothe Turnpike established in 1828. In 1841, The Little Miami RR Co. arrived in Milford. Camden City was plotted in 1850, bounded by Newtown Road (Elm), the railroad, the turnpike and New Street. It reverted to agriculture. By 1885, subdivisions were being developed by George W. Corey, Pattison & luen, Stuntz and Thomas R. Biggs. Their promotions stimulated growth, and in 1890 about 80 of the 208 residents organized an Improvement Society. This paved the way for Terrace Park's incorporation in 1893.

Thus, on April 12th, we recognize the beginning of our 85th year as a village. Give some thought to the pioneers that made it possible. Carl Floto, living at 111 Terrace Place, and a Norwood merchant, was the first mayor. The village was very open without sidewalks, scattered trees and gravel streets. Most householders had domesticated animals. and the fourth ordinance was "to prevent the running at large of animals."

Water service from Milford came in 1909, and about that time there was a small electric plant operated by a man named Sherwood. The building still stands on the Corr property at 815 Miami. A financially hard-pressed village cannily provided that there would be no streetlighting on moonlight nights.

John F. Robinson of circus fame, one of the initial councilmen, had contributed \$15, a considerable sum in those days, to help the village

treasury, but soon began to feel that many of the early ordinances were directed at his circus activities, the circus personnel and its animals.

One such ordinance directed the Little Miami RR to discontinue the placing of vacant cattle cars on switch tracks in the Park. Robinson was so put out, especially when, after the tax structure was set up, he found he would be paying more than half the village income, that he asked that his property be detached from the village that naturally was denied.

One other name of note on the first council was that of E. C. Peebles, a Cincinnati grocery merchant. A section of Cincinnati bears his name—Peebles Corner.

Since Mayor Floto, 17 others have lent their talents to guiding the village to its high standard of this day. Leading the list is Carl Lindell, who spent 10 years in that chair and still is active as village engineer.

To quote from Robert Moses: "What is needed for public service is strong nerves, backbone, the instinct of combat, the hide of a rhinoceros, and a willingness to work like a dog for an occasional rain-washed bone."

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