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Civil Rights *Cancelled*

CLYDE- "The law was 40 years old and no one even knew we had it," is how City Solicitor Zachary Selvey explained Council's 5-0 vote to rescind Chapter 565 of Codified Ordinances.

Chapter 565 was 'introduced' here in "Charter Sez". Selvey said no city manager or mayor had enforced it. At least twice, in '92 and '96, a local editor made city managers aware.

Councilmembers aren't aware of the Charter, which they take an oath to uphold.

"People still have state and national laws they can use to register discrimination complaints," Selvey added.

565 prohibited discrimination on race, age and other issues in employment, housing and public accommodations (banks, restaurants, etc.)

Schools seek 10-year \$10 million levy

C-GS Schools has placed a May 7 levy for 4.2-mils for 10 years to raise \$1 million each year or \$10 million over the 10 years.

County Auditor Jerri Miller said the levy is for general operating expenses. C-GS is in deficit spending mode now, according to

District Treasurer Meghan Rohde who added the District has several months before going into "emergency" status under possible state supervision. The District presently has 7 levies/bonds collecting taxes according to Miller.

District union contracts expire at the end of May..

"CAT'S MEOW" FIGURES OF CLYDE BUILDINGS



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Chief Justice Richards brought Carnegie Library to hometown



JUDGE SILAS S. RICHARDS' portrait is in the Reading Room of 'his' library near his Buckeye Street home.

Andrew Carnegie welcomed Ohio Chief Justice S. S. Richards of Clyde (1856-1947) to Washington in 1904, on behalf of the Board of Education, concerning funding for a new public library building for Clyde and surrounding area.

Carnegie started donating money to build library buildings throughout the English-speaking world in 1881. By the time he was done 38 years later, 1,679 libraries had been built in the United States.

Mr. Carnegie agreed to pay for the building of the Clyde library, with the stipulation that the Clyde community must pay for the lot and for equipping the library. Also, 10% of his gift must be raised and spent on the library annually.

At least \$3,700 was raised locally through donations. An appropriate site had been chosen for the library at a cost of \$1,826.00. The Clyde Village Board of Education levied a one-mil tax on property to provide the \$1,000 annually to operate the library, thus meeting Carnegie's requirements.

Justice Richards was president of the Board of Education and when the Library Board was made separate from BOE, Judge Richards was president of the Library Board.

Welcome to "Winesburg, Ohio "

THE OFFICE CAT

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MAY 8 is the Centennial of Publication of "Winesburg, Ohio" by Clyde author Sherwood Anderson.

MAY 7 a play featuring characters will be presented in Clyde, sponsored by

Clyde Public Library and Clyde Heritage League at a site not yet announced, though possibly one of the sites in the book and play.

The 3-act play by Christopher Sergel was on Broadway 10 days in 1958 but was used in several other theaters. In Clyde the script originally for 12 women and 4 men will be presented as Readers Theater.

This play is built around Elizabeth Willard and her unfulfilled dreams for her life and for her son George who eventually left Winesburg.

"Everyone has dreams to fulfill," said Elizabeth as she attempted to help her son realize his." It is this thought that prompted the playwright to develop the book as a story of love and caring for everyone rather than hate, anger and dark sexual acts.

It long was seen, especially in Clyde, as a dark, dismal, hateful and sexually deviant work - which is the reason it was hated here as residents thought they recognized themselves in the characters.

Playwright Christopher Sergel was a friend and contemporary of Anderson and agreed to look at Anderson's preliminary play in 1936 finalizing the play that will be seen in Clyde.



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