# Wilmette Playground and Recreation Activities

## Seventh Annual Track Meet Held at Village Green

The seventh annual track and field meet of the Wilmette Playground and Recreation board for public playground children was held at the Village Green last Thursday evening, with the largest list of entries ever participating.

More than 300 parents and friends witnessed the competition which was conducted for all age groups. The Junior, children under ten years of age, and the Intermediate class, children ten, eleven, and twelve years of age, had the closest competition witnessed in an inter-playground track meet.

Dorothy Davis of Vattman park and Blanche Kreusch of the Village Green, were high point winners of the meet, each winning four first places.

Results of the individual events were: 40-yard dash. Children under six years: Lee Butler, Vattman park, first, Winnie Walos, Vattman park, second, Billy Millard, Vattman, third, and Geraldine Anderson, Vattman park, fourth. Time 8.4 seconds.

40 yard dash. Six years: Albert Sargent, Village Green, first, Charles Damaske, Village Green, second, Cornelia Morris, Vattman park, third, and Charles Hall, Vattman park, fourth. Time: 8.4

40-yard dash. Boys seven years: Jack 40-yard dash. Boys seven years: Jack Benson, Vattman park, first, Paul Kiv-land, Village Green, second, Frank Tripicchio, Village Green, third. Time: 7.2 seconds. 40-yard dash. Girls seven years:

Eileen Borre, Village Green, first, Shirley Bacon, Village Green, second, Rosemary Froehde, Vattman, third. Time: 7.7 seconds.

40-yard dash. Boys eight years: Oscar Beck, Village Green, first, Edward Schmitz, Village Green, second, John Sargent, Village Green, third. Time 6.9

40-yard dash. Girls eight years: Nancy Henderson, Vattman, first, Alice Borre, Village Green, second, Angela Froehde, Vattman park, third. Time:

40-yard dash. Boys nine years: Alvin Pientka, Village Green, first, Roger Tobin, Village Green, second, Ray Tripicchio, Village Green. Time: 7 sec-

40-yard dash. Girls nine years: Margaret Melhope, Vattman park, first, Martha Sesterhan, Village Green, sec-ond, Mary Elizabeth Bacon, Village Green, third. Time: 6.8 seconds.

40-yard dash. Boys ten years: Dick Hall, Village Green, first, Jack Welter, Village Green, second, Bill Davis, Village Green, third. Time: 6.2 seconds.

40-yard dash. Girls ten years: Dorothy Bruchhauser, Vattman park, first, Louise Graham, Vattman park, second, Moreia Anderson, Vattman park, third

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Time: 6.5 seconds.
40-yard dash. Boys eleven years:

40-yard dash. Boys eleven years: Earl Borre, Village Green, first, Ray Small, Vattman, second, Bill Millard, Vattman park, third. Time: 7.5 seconds. 40-yard dash. Girls eleven years: Hildegarde Voeller, Vattman park, first, Ruth Pape, Village Green, second, Doris Hemmis, Village Green, third. Time: 6.2 seconds

Vattman park, third. Time: 7.5 seconds.

40-yard dash. Girls eleven years: Hildegarde Voeller, Vattman park, first, Dorothy Davis, Vattman park, third. Distance: 7 feet, 2 inches.

Samuelson, Vattman park, first, Rogbert Lynch, Village Green, second, Hildegarde Voeller, Vattman park, third. Distance: 7 feet, 2 inches.

Roger Lynch, Village Green, fourth, Distance: 6 feet, 10¼ inches.

Standing broad jump. Girls twelve years: 6 feet, 10¼ inches.

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30-yard hop. Intermediate girls: Dorothy Davis, Vattman park, third.

Distance: 7 feet, 2 inches.

Running broad jump. Boys threen years, first, Dorothy Davis, Vattman park, third.

Distance: 178 feet, 2 inches.

Playground ball throw. Girls function.

Sand over: Marion Schneider: Marion Schneider, Village Green, first, Lucille Hall, Vattman park, second.

Solvard hop. Intermediate girls: Dorothy Davis, Vattman park, third.

Samuelson, Vattman park, third. Distance: 7 feet, 2 inches.

Running broad jump. Boys threen years: 5.9 seconds.

Solvard dash. Girls twelve years: Freet Tripicchio, Village Green, fourth, Distance: 10 feet, 2 inches.

Running broad jump. Boys threen years and over: Marion Schneider.

Playground ball throw. Girls fourth, Distance: 10 feet, 2 inches.

Solvard hop. Intermediate: 10 feet, 2 inches.

Run

50-yard dash. Girls twelve years: Dorothy Davis, Vattman park, first, Marion Goode, Vattman park, second, Mary Ann Miller, Vattman park, third. Time: 7.1 seconds.

50-yard dash. Boys thirteen years: Ernest Tripicchio, Village Green, first, John Mitchell, Village Green, second, Walter Meier, Village Green, third. Walter Meier, Village Green, third. Time: 7 seconds. 50-yard dash. Girls fourteen years

Blanche Kreusch, Village Green, first, Josephine Costo, Village Green, second, Betty Butler, Vattman park, third, Marjorie Wood, Vattman park. Time:

50-yard dash. Boys fourteen years and over: Douglass Hindley, Vattman park, first, Howard Ball, Vattman, second, Fred Kaspar, Vattman, third. Time:

6.5 seconds.
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and over: Lucille Hall, Vattman park,
first, Marion Schneider, Village Green,

second. Time: 8.4 seconds.
Standing broad jump. Boys eight years: Norman Hoffman, Vattman park, first, Oscar Beck, Village Green, sec-

## Sand Modelers Have Innings Thursday

A village-wide sand-modeling contest to be held at the Wilmette beach next Thursday afternoon will be the main project on the seventh week's program of the Village's public playgrounds. The contest will be open to contestants from both playgrounds and will be run in the playground age divisions; i.e., Juniors, under ten years, Intermediates, ten, eleven, and twelve vears, and Seniors, thirteen, fourteen, and fifteen years.

This week's village-wide event was the seventh annual horseshoe contest held at the Village Green this morning and special occasions consisting of trip to Lincoln park for the Village Green playground.

Both of the playgrounds are busy with individual handcraft projects which are to be exhibited at the end of the playground season at each park.

ond, Ralph White, Vattman, third, Jack Morris, Vattman, fourth. Distance:

Morris, Vattman, fourth. Distance: of feet.

Standing broad jump. Girls eight years: Nancy Henderson, Vattman park, first, Martha Leach, Vattman park, second, Alice Borre, Village Green, third, Angela Froehde, Vattman park, fourth. Distance: 5 feet, 7½ inches.

Standing broad jump. Boys nine years: Alvin Pientka, Village Green, first, Sonny Benson, Vattman, second, Richard Anderson, Vattman, third, Ray Tripicchio, Village Green, fourth. Dis-

Richard Anderson, Vattman, third, Hay Tripicchio, Village Green, fourth. Distance: 5 feet, 6 inches.

Standing broad jump. Girls nine years: Martha Sesterhenn, Village Green, first, Margaret Melhope, Vattman park, second, Peggy Butler, Vattman park, third, Dorothy Ortegel, Village Green, fearth, Distance, 5 feet, 61. lage Green, fourth. Distance: 5 feet, 61/4

Standing broad jump. Boys ten years: Dick Hall, Village Green, first, Jack Welter, Village Green, second, Bud Hargis, Vattman park, third, Harold Henderson, Vattman park, fourth. Distance: 6 feet, 4½ inches.

Standing broad jump. Girls ten years: Louise Graham, Vattman park, first, Marcia Anderson, Vattman park, second, Dorothy Bruchhauser, Vattman park, third, Virginia Sargent, Village Green, fourth. Distance: 5 feet, 7½ inches.

Standing broad jump. Boys eleven years: Ray Small, Vattman park, first, Earl Borre, Village Green, second, Walter Tobin, Village Green, third, Henry Jannes, Village Green, fourth. Distance: 6 feet, 1/4 inch.

Standing broad jump. Girls eleven years: Hildegarde Voeller, Vattman park, first, Rosalie Schneider, Village Green, second, Doris Hemmis, Village Green, third, Ruth Pape, Village Green, fourth. Distance: 5 feet, 11½ inches.

Standing broad jump. Boys twelve years: Eric Samuelson, Vattman park, first, James Steen, Vattman park, second, Roger Lynch, Village Green, third,

first, John Mitchell, Village Green, sec-ond, Walter Meier, Village Green, third, Marcus Meier, Village Green, fourth.

Distance: 12 feet, 10 inches.
Running broad jump. Girls thirteen
years: Blanche Kreusch, Village Green, years: Blanche Kreusch, Village Green, first, Betty Butler, Vattman park, second, Josephine Costo, Village Green, third, Gladys White, Vattman park, fourth. Distance: 13 feet, 8¾ inches. Running broad jump. Boys fourteen years and over: Howard Ball, Vattman, first, Fred Kaspar, Vattman, second, Nick Miller, Village Green, third. Distance: 14 feet, 4¼ inches. Running broad jump. Girls fourteen years and over: Lucille Hall, Vattman, first, Marion Schneider, Village Green, second. Distance: 9 feet, 7¼ inches. Playground ball throw. Boys ten

second. Distance: 9 feet, 7¼ inches.
Playground ball throw. Boys ten
vears: Billy Davis, Village Green, first,
Jack Welter, Village Green, second,
George Mayfield, Village Green, third.
Distance: 107 feet, 8 inches.
Playground ball throw. Girls ten
years: Louise Graham, Vattman park,
first, Dorothy Bruchhauser, Vattman
park, second, Marcia Anderson, Vatt-

### Tap Dancing Class is Launched at Vattman

A tap dancing class for girls is a new project introduced at the Vattman park playground within the last few weeks. The class is being instructed by Miss Alice Stade, teacher of dancing, who is volunteering her services for the event. Weekly class meetings are held

Miss Stade has her own dancing studio in Edison Park where she conducts classes for children and adults. She is also conducting children's classes at the Masonic temple.

More than forty girls are enrolled in the Vattman playground class and beach days for both playgrounds, and a plans are being made for a public appearance of the class at the end of the playground season.

#### PICNIC AT PARK

Approximately sixty-five children from the Village Green playground are expected to leave the playground at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning for Lincoln park for an all day picnic. The children will go on the Elevated train, leaving Howard street at 10:30 o'clock, and arrive back at the playground shortly after 5 o'clock.

man park, third. Distance: 72 feet, 11

Playground ball throw. Boys eleven years: Ray Small, Vattman park, first, Walter Tobin, Village Green, second, Earl Borre, Village Green, third. Distance: 117 feet, 10 inches.

Playground ball throw. Girls eleven years: Rosalie Schneider, Village Green, first. Ruth Pape, Village Green, second, Mary Ann Miller, Vattman park, third. Distance: 71 feet, 11 inches.

Playground ball throw. Boys twelve years: Eric Samuelson, Vattman park, first, James Steen, Vattman park, second, Roger Lynch, Village Green, third, Leonard Keil, Vattman, fourth. Distance: 113 feet, 6 inches.

Playground ball throw. Girls twelve years: Dorothy Davis, Vattman park, first, Marjorie Hill, Vattman park, second, Marion Goode, Vattman park, third. Distance: 91 feet.

Playground ball throw. Boys thirteen years: Marcus Meier, Village Green, first, Walter Meier, Village Green, sec-ond, John Mitchell, Village Green, third. Distance: 129 feet, 10 inches.

Playground ball throw. Girls thirteen years: Blanche Kreusch, Village Green, first, Gladys White, Vattman park, second. Virginia Marsh, Vattman park, third. Distance: 117 feet, 7 inches.

Playground ball throw. Boys fourteen years and over: Reginald Green, Village Green, first, Howard Ball, Vattman park, second, Fred Kaspar, Vattman park, third. Distance: 178 feet, 8 inches.

30-yard hop. Senior girls: Blanche Kreusch, Village Green, first, Marjorie Wood, Vattman park, second, Betty Butler, Vattman park, third. Time: 6.5 seconds.

30-yard hop. Boys under eight years: Jack Benson, Vattman park, first Frank Tripicchio, Village Green, second, Paul Kivland, Village Green, third.

Paul Kivland, Village Green, second, Paul Kivland, Village Green, third. Time: 8.2 seconds.

30-yard hop. Girls under eight years: Cornelia Morris, Vattman park, first, Eileen Borre, Village Green, second, Rosemary Froehde, Vattman, third. Time: 9.8 seconds.

30-yard hop. Boys under ten years: Sonny Benson, Vattman park, first, Ray Tripicchio, Village Green, second, Jack Morris, Vattman park, third. Time: 7.5

30-yard hop. Girls under ten years Nancy Henderson, Vattman park, first, Margaret Melhope, Vattman park, second, Dorothy Ortegel, Village Green, third. Time: 7.3 seconds. Officials of the meet were: Dan'el M.

Davis, referee and starter; Greta von Reinsperg and Kaye Hoffmeier, scorers;

## Organized Play Reduces Crime, Says Brautigam

"But for our public recreation program, Wilmette would pay a larger bill for juvenile crime and correction," Chief of Police Henry Brautigam said this week. "Idle children at 11 o'clock Friday mornings at the turned into the streets and sidewalks for their play not only start mischief in a spirit of fun and adventure, but they meet moral dangers that may launch them on the road to crime. Deprived of the recreation leader, many boys will adopt the neighborhood gangster for their hero.'

> "Police officials, judges, and probation officers in scores of cities testify that directed playgrounds have definitely reduced juvenile delinquency in the neighborhoods that these centers serve. In some districts the number of child offenders against the law is said to have dropped more than fifty percent following the opening of a directed playground. It co ts about \$430 to keep one juvenile delinquent in a reform school. The same amount by providing playground facilities for children serves as the 'ounce of prevention' that lightens our financial burden for the care of social misfits. Furthermore, the influence that playground activities have in building healthy bodies and clean minds, and in developing law-abiding citizens can not be measured in dollars and

#### Best Investment

Millions spent for playgrounds and less for prisons was advocated in a recent address by George W. Wickersham, chairman of the President Hoover's Crime commission, Chiei Brautigam pointed out. Mr. Wickersham said, "Most criminals start on a crime career at an early age. They form associations with older boys, and they are filled with a spirit of hero worship for boys who have escaped from penal institutions. If you wish to correct these conditions, then you must get hold of the child at the age of five years, instill in him a fine code of ethics and promote hero worship that will inspire rather than degrade. It is better to spend money on playgrounds than to pour hundreds of thousand into prisons.'

Chief Brautigam pointed also to the following statements: Mayor Daniel W. Hoan of Milwaukee asserts, "Milwaukee's community recreational centers have made Milwaukee one of the three cities in the United States with the lowest burglary insurance rates."

#### Warden Comments

Warden Lewis E. Lawes of Sing Sing prison, fact that three-fourths of the cases before the criminal courts are offenders under the age of twenty-one. says: "I can see, as the only effective way for the prevention of juvenile delinquency, wider extension of community activities, such as the establishment of more playgrounds, especially where congestion is at present the greatest; the establishment of community centers to provide opportunities for clean and wholesome recreation; the extension of the Boy Scout movement; and the interest of adult organizations in the boy of today, who may be the criminal of tomorrow."

ball throw, John Moore and David Evans; judges of jumps, Dudley C. Stone, Andrew Schwall and Jerome Cicchini; judges of finish, John Finlayson, M. G. Finlayson and Robert Waters; timers, George Quinlan and Don Pavlicek; Glen Gathercoal, announcer; judges of assistant announcer, Alfred Struebing.