



# WILMETTE LIFE

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## Lay Waterworks Corner Stone at Ceremonies Saturday Afternoon

### Village Officials and Many Civic Organizations to Join in Formal Rites

Saturday, September 2, will mark an epoch in the history of Wilmette. On that day will be laid, with impressive and appropriate ceremonies, the corner stone of the new waterworks now under construction at the foot of Lake avenue, and which Village officials assert will be completed by the end of the present year. Thus will be brought to a successful conclusion the efforts of those who have thought that the best interests of Wilmette demanded that it have its own water supply rather than to be dependent upon some neighboring plant over which the village had no control.

Under the direction of President C. P. Dubbs, elaborate preparations have been made for the fitting celebration of an event that is destined to have an important bearing upon the future development of the village. To Trustee Arthur Lee was delegated the duty of arranging the program, a perusal of which will show that in its preparation effort has been directed toward bringing into the affair all those elements that go into a composite of our village life. Forty different educational, fraternal, religious, patriotic and civic organizations have been invited to participate in the activities of the occasion and thus contribute their part to its proper observance.

### Band to Lead Parade

From Fort Sheridan comes the 202nd Field Artillery band, consisting of thirty-two pieces, directed by Bandmaster G. F. Greenwood. This splendid military band will lead the parade and furnish those strains of martial music that always quicken the pulse and accelerate the step. The services of this band are by courtesy of Col. Charles C. Dawes, commanding Fort Sheridan.

The procession will start from the Village hall promptly at 3 p. m., its route being on Wilmette avenue to Lake avenue, thence east on Lake avenue to the lake front. There the following program will be carried out:

Invocation—Rev. John G. Hindley, Pastor Wilmette Congregational church.

Address of welcome—Village C. P. Dubbs.

Addresses by guest speakers—

Charles H. Bartlett, mayor of Evanston.

William B. Moulton, president of Village of Winnetka.

E. C. Burnham, president, Village of Glenview.

Auguste C. Bablize, president, Village of Glencoe.

Harry T. Harrison, president, Village of Kenilworth.

Paul Hansen of Pearce, Greeley & Hanson, waterworks engineers.

Local—W. W. DeBerard and members of the Village board.

Ceremony of Laying Corner Stone—

Reading of list of contents of copper box to be inserted into crypt.

Sealing of the crypt.

Placing of corner stone into position.

Music, band—"Illinois."

Benediction.

Song—National Anthem—the audience.

Of special interest are the contents

of the copper box, owing to the unique features that have been included. If, in future years, the box should be opened, there will be found within its confines phonograph recording cylinders upon which have been recorded the voices of the president and board of trustees as they speak today of the effect the building of the waterworks will have upon the future of the village. These brief addresses are prefaced by the following remarks by Village President C. P. Dubbs:

### Statement by President

"We are in the third year of one of the worst depressions the modern world has experienced. Millions of people are out of work. National, State and all subdivisions of the Government are contributing millions of dollars for relief.

"This municipal water works is being built of funds borrowed from the Federal Government. The interest rate is five percent. A municipally owned water works will eventually save the people of Wilmette a great deal of money. Our serious and dangerous water shortage problem is solved and our unemployment situation is greatly relieved."

Following President Dubbs the trustees and Village attorney recorded for posterity pertinent remarks on these subjects:

Trustee W. C. Farrar—"General Publicity."

Trustee Harry C. Kinne—"Legal Aspects."

Trustee S. N. Tideman—"National Aspect—R. F. C.—N. R. A."

Trustee Joseph Heinzen—"Historical."

Trustee Clinton B. Cochran—"Technical Comparisons."

Trustee Arthur Lee—"General effect upon property values of the future."

Village Attorney Willis D. Nance—"Negotiations with the R. F. C. in Washington."

In addition to the voice recording cylinders many articles having a bearing upon the building of the waterworks and the present condition of the village will be included. Among them are the following:

A photograph of the Village hall, around which will be grouped photographs of the present President and Board of Trustees.

Copy of the "Report and recommendations of the Wilmette Village board regarding water supply," issued in October, 1931, previous to the referendum election on the proposition to build a water works.

Pictures, literature, stamps, etc., of "A Century of Progress Exposition."

Copy of the 1933 Wilmette telephone directory.

Waterworks history.

Maps of the Village of Wilmette.

A cross-section drawing showing waterworks plant and elevation, and width of beach. To get an idea of this feature the reader must imagine the bluff cut away at the north shore line of Lake avenue to show the height of bluff, the south side of the waterworks building, and the expanse of beach. Thus the change in beach, if any, will be plainly revealed at any future date.

Map of the water distribution system.

A copy of the resolution passed by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to purchase Wilmette water revenue bonds, which made the project possible.

A list of all the present governing bodies of the village, such as Wilmette Park board, Board of Education, Library board, and others.

President Dubbs has invited citizens of Wilmette to join in the exercises attendant upon the dedication of a municipal utility that is certain to have a far-reaching effect upon the future welfare of the village.

## SCHOOL DAYS NEAR

Monday, September 11, to Mark Resumption of Classes in All Public Schools of New Trier

Vacation days end in less than two weeks for high school students and grammar school pupils of New Trier township, and activities preparatory to the opening of the schools will take place next week. Monday, September 11, is the opening date for New Trier High school and for the grammar schools in the four New Trier villages—Wilmette, Kenilworth, Winnetka and Glencoe.

At New Trier High school the department heads will hold a meeting on Friday morning, September 8, and a meeting of the entire New Trier faculty will be held Saturday morning, September 9. Similar teachers' meetings are scheduled for the latter part of next week at the grammar schools.

### Few Faculty Changes

With a few exceptions, the teaching staffs at the high schools and at the grammar schools in the four villages will be the same as last year. M. P. Gaffney is continuing as superintendent of New Trier High school, and the heads of grammar school systems in the four villages are the same—J. R. Harper in Wilmette, E. L. Nygaard in Kenilworth, Carleton W. Washburne in Winnetka and Gordon Mackenzie of Glencoe.

In Wilmette the school office on Tenth street will be open every day next week from Monday to Friday inclusive for the registration of new pupils living east of the railroad tracks, and Lowell F. Todd, principal of the Howard school, will be in his office at the Howard school Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings, September 6, 7 and 8, from 9 to 12 o'clock for the registration of new pupils living west of the railroad tracks.

New Trier High school students will get their books next week. The book store will be open from 9 to 12 o'clock on Thursday, Friday and Saturday mornings, September 7, 8 and 9.

### CALL GLENCOE WARRANTS

Announcement was made this week that all 1930 tax anticipation warrants of Glencoe School District No. 35 have been called. A total of \$3,890 in warrants have not as yet been presented for payment to F. A. Andrew, township school treasurer, it was stated.

## High School Book Store to Open Next Thursday

New students entering New Trier High school as freshmen this fall, as well as old students who will be sophomores, juniors and seniors when the 1933-1934 term opens on Monday, September 11, were reminded again this week that the book store at the high school will be open three days next week—Thursday, Friday and Saturday—from 9 to 12 o'clock in the morning. David Johnson, a member of the New Trier faculty, again is in charge of the store.

## NRA CAMPAIGN GETS IMPETUS

### House-to-House Canvass to Enlist Support of Consumer Launched This Week

Rapid progress is being made in the national recovery drive to recruit every consumer in Wilmette into the army that is destined to rout the forces of depression and unemployment and put America's idle citizens back to work.

Monday evening Joseph W. Lechner, the general in charge of the local drive, met with the canvass committee to complete arrangements for the house-to-house canvass that is to round out the drive and bring the campaign to a successful conclusion. This committee is headed by Aram K. Mestjian, 511 Main street, who has as his assistants A. C. Pearson, Jr., 813 Ridge avenue; J. E. Worthen, 1148 Wilmette avenue, and Harry Dornbos, 411 Linden avenue. To Mr. Mestjian's unusual organizing ability is due much of the credit for the prompt manner in which the work of the committee was undertaken and the speed with which it is being prosecuted.

### Convention Retards Program

"Some things have operated to retard the organization of the canvassing group," said Mr. Mestjian, "notably the American Legion convention at Rockford, which took many of our best men and women workers out of town just at the critical moment. However, they are all back now, and the committee confidently expects that its work will be completed this week, which will dovetail with the plans of President Roosevelt. As usual, Wilmette will not be behind in this emergency drive, but will be ready with its report on time."

Speaking of the difficulties of the canvass, Mr. Lechner stated that "the workers are finding many people away from home and obviously second and third calls cannot be undertaken if the task is to be completed in the short time allotted. For (Continued on Page 4)

## Kenilworth Board Will Meet on September 11

The Kenilworth Village board's September meeting will be held Monday, September 11, it was announced this week. The board's regular meeting time is the first Monday of each month, but since the first Monday of September is Labor day, the September meeting was postponed a week. The Kenilworth board held no regular meeting this month.

## J. R. Gathercoal Acting Head of N. T. H. S. Board

J. R. Gathercoal of Wilmette is acting president of the board of education of New Trier High school in the absence of Otto R. Barnett of Glencoe, who is ill. Mr. Barnett was stricken shortly before the close of the 1932-1933 school term. He has gone to the southwest to recuperate from his illness.