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Recommend Federal Aid Funds to Complete High School Job

Illinois Group to Suggest Allotment of \$140,000 for New Trier Project

Recommendation that the federal public works administration include the partially completed addition to New Trier High school in its program of construction will be directed to Federal Administrator Harold L. Ickes early next week by the Illinois division of that body.

Should the federal government approve of the financing plan proposed the structure, on which construction was halted in April, 1932, because of the virtual collapse of the bond market, may be completed within three or four months. It is possible that the work can begin almost immediately, high school officials stated. The work, under the original contracts, will conform to the regulations set forth in the National Recovery act, it was explained.

May Get \$40,000 Grant

Under the terms of the recommended financing plan, the federal public works administration would provide a total of approximately \$140,000, of which \$40,000 would be in the nature of a free grant. The balance, or approximately \$100,000, would represent that amount of high school bonds to be absorbed by the government at 4 percent interest instead of the 4½ percent interest which the bonds yield.

The state group of the federal public works administration will proceed to Washington next Sunday it was announced, to make formal recommendation to Administrator Ickes, the New Trier project being among several to be presented for consideration and decision. James L. Hough-teling of Winnetka is secretary of the state organization and Joshua D'Esposito of Wilmette, the engineer. Carter H. Harrison is head of the administration for the state of Illinois.

Contains Many Classrooms

The unfinished addition to the high school will house science laboratories, a large number of classrooms and domestic science rooms. The portion

Village to Cut Shrubs; Present Bill to Owner

Some time ago the Village authorities notified the owner of the property at the southwest corner of Forest avenue and Twelfth street to trim the shrubbery on the lot to conform to the ordinance, declaring the condition there constitutes a serious hazard to traffic, obstructing the view at the street intersection. Notification was made by registered mail, but no attention has been given to it, it was said. In consequence at its Tuesday night meeting the Village board instructed the Village manager to have the work done and send the bill to the owner.

GET MAIL CONTRACT

W. T. Werner Transfer company, 605 Main street, has been awarded the contract for carrying United States mail between the local post office and the Chicago & North Western depot.

of the addition completed some time ago houses machine shops and the music department of the school.

The constant yearly enrollment increase at the school—approximately one hundred students annually—makes imperative the early completion of the new structure, it is pointed out. The school has been functioning under extreme difficulties during the past few years due to classroom congestion.

A bond issue to permit construction of the addition was approved by the voters of the school district several years ago.

Must Sell Warrants to Operate Schools

Wilmette's public schools will open next Monday with practically no cash on hand to meet teachers' pay rolls or other operating expenses. The money on hand is insufficient to pay teachers' salaries for the first month, according to Henry E. Cutler, president of the board of education.

Mr. Cutler states that the board hopes to raise additional money through the sale of 1933 tax anticipation warrants. Downtown banks have not been disposed to purchase the 1933 warrants, but it is said this situation may be relieved somewhat as a result of the payment of the second installment of 1931 taxes, the deadline for which was September 1.

In Kenilworth the situation with reference to the Joseph Sears school is much the same as in Wilmette. The school will open next Monday, but only through the sale of tax warrants does the board of education hope to raise money to keep the school open.

Plan to Nab Sanitarium Payroll; Watch Is Loot

Friday morning of last week two men drove up to the Kenilworth sanitarium, 2228 Beechwood avenue, and staged a daylight holdup which they evidently had reason to believe would net them a tidy sum. Their information was that Friday was pay day, which was true enough, but the "spot" man failed to learn that the sanitarium paid in checks and not in cash, hence the great disappointment of the pair. In order that the venture might not be entirely without profit, they took a watch, chain and knife from one of the physicians and departed as they had come—in a large Hudson automobile.

Apply for \$275,000 RFC Funds for Waterworks

A resolution presented at the Tuesday night meeting of the Village board by Trustee Harry C. Kinne, chairman of the judiciary committee, makes application to the Reconstruction Finance corporation for \$275,000, for which it is to accept water revenue bonds as per contract. This brings the total of funds received and applied for to \$475,000, the amount contracted for being \$580,000.

H. S. Marshall Is Proposed as New Township Assessor

At a luncheon meeting held in Chicago Wednesday noon the New Trier Citizens' league adopted the report of its committee and recommended to the New Trier township Board of Auditors that H. S. Marshall, 624 Elder lane, Winnetka, be appointed township tax assessor to fill the unexpired term of George R. Harbaugh, resigned.

The suggestion of the Citizens' league was made in response to the request of the Board of Auditors that it undertake such unofficial service, and, as has been stated, has no authoritative legal character.

A committee composed of six members of the league interviewed seven tentative candidates for the vacancy, and reached the conclusion that the qualifications and experience of Mr. Marshall eminently fit him to administer the important office to the best interests of the taxpayers and the taxing bodies.

Mr. Marshall has had a wide experience in real estate valuation and management, as well as in engineering construction in both municipal and railway fields, being a graduate construction engineer.

Mr. Marshall moved to Winnetka in 1919, where he has since resided, with the exception of three years spent in Glencoe, where he occupied his own home at 847 Grove street. He is a director and former president of the Indian Hill Improvement association and a member of Winnetka Community House council. He has a long and impressive record in connection with real estate appraisals, indicating a thorough knowledge of values in a scale ranging from a modest home to the largest municipal and utility projects. He has done some home construction work in Winnetka.

Should the Township board acquiesce in the recommendation of the Citizens' league, it is pointed out, New Trier will be assured of an able and experienced tax assessor who will challenge the confidence of our entire citizenship.

Ask All Citizens to Join Signers of NRA

All citizens of Wilmette who have not been approached by canvassers in the NRA drive for consumer signatures, are requested to ask for cards at any grocery or drug store or the Wilmette State bank, sign the cards and receive the Blue Eagle insignia. For obvious reasons it is impossible to make return calls where residents were found to be away from home. Voluntary signing of the consumer code will help to a 100 percent showing for Wilmette.

—Aram K. Mestjian, chairman, Canvassing Committee.

CHAMBER OPENS FALL SESSIONS

John N. VanderVries to Speak on NRA at Noon Meeting Monday, September 11

With the coming of autumn and the passing of the lethargic days of summer, the Wilmette Chamber of Commerce is bestirring itself and making preparations for a busy winter season. The clarion alarm that is to awaken the membership to aggressive action will be sounded Monday, September 11, when the first regular meeting of the season will take place at noon in Weeks' private dining room.

That talent of an unusual order is to be requisitioned to fill coming programs is evidenced by the fact that the speaker at this first meeting will be John N. VanderVries of Winnetka, secretary-manager of the Chicago office of the United States Chamber of Commerce. Mr. VanderVries will speak on the National Recovery Act, better known as the NRA, a subject with which he is thoroughly familiar. He is a member of the advisory staff of General Hugh S. Johnson, and has been active in advising the formation of many industrial codes. He has a wide reputation as an expert on the National Recovery Act, and his services are in continuous demand as speaker before Chicago civic organizations.

If members of the local Chamber of Commerce have any questions as to the act or its administration upon which they desire information, Mr. VanderVries will be glad to accommodate them at this meeting, it is explained.

The program as arranged is expected to draw an attendance that will start the season with vigor and give it an impetus that will be felt throughout the year.

Waterworks Will Come as Christmas Present

Wilmette, according to prophecies freely made at the Village board meeting Tuesday night, will wake up Christmas morning to find her stockings full of water. For, say the Village officials, Santa Claus has indicated his intention of presenting the villagers with a brand new, shiny waterworks that will go when wound up and supply everybody with all the water needed. The jolly old man of the north woods even hinted that, if impending snowdrifts are not too deep, he might reach here a little in advance of schedule.

Council Room Will Have Pictures of Presidents

Likenesses of former presidents of the Village board are soon to adorn the council chamber in the Village hall. At the meeting of that body on Tuesday night Trustee Joseph Heinzen, at the request of the president, presented a motion that the Village manager be instructed to secure photographs of as many of the ex-presidents as possible, and have them suitably framed for hanging upon the walls.