## **ANNUAL REPORT** OF RECREATION **BOARD IS GIVEN**

210,197 Villagers Take Part in Play Activities in Past Year, Daniel M. Davis States

Two hundred and ten thousand, one hundred ninety-seven participants in recreational activities at an operating cost of \$9,388.19—that was the gist of the report given by Daniel M. Davis, director of recreation, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 1933, and ending May 1, 1934. The report was submitted to the Playground and Recreation board at its June meeting last Wednesday evening.

The two figures denote two records, Mr. Davis explains. Not only is the attendance the largest recorded in the annals of the Recreation board but the money spent per person is the smallest expended by the board for a year's ex-

The operating cost, Mr. Davis further explains, is exclusive of the \$3,933.59 spent in paying principal and interest on 1930 and 1931 tax anticipation warrants during the year. These warrants are taken up upon receipt of funds from tax levies and in no particular can be applied upon operating costs. Funds for operating costs were derived from sale of 1933 tax anticipation warrants, since the board voluntarily forfeited its 1932 levy, which would have been used ordinarily.

**Summarize Activities** 

The total of 210,197 participants were divided among the various activities as

Summer playgrounds	30,340
Swimming classes	6,030
After-school activities	74.574
Winter sports and ice carnival.	48,850
Adult recreational activities	50,403

Total ......210,197 Included in the after-school activities are such sports as football, volleyball, speedball, basketball, track, playground ball, kite flying for boys and kickball, volleyball, basketball, track and playground ball for girls. Other activities in which both boys and girls are included were JUNIOR LIFE, Easter egg hunt and roller skating meet.

The adult recreational program included activities for men and women fifteen years of age and over. Among them were: two playground ball leagues for men, a playground ball league for women, four basketball leagues for men, two basketball leagues for women, a volleyball league for men, a gymnasium class for women, two ping pong tournaments, a tap dancing class, two horseback riding classes and special occasions.

Spectators Number 59,322

In addition to the total number of participants, the total for spectators was 59,322, a figure based on estimates made at each activity. Mr. Davis says that it has always been the policy of the Recreation staff to encourage participation in activities and hence no effort is made to get an accurate account of spectators.

The 210,197 total is exclusive of the total number of children reached daily through the school physical training program. The entire physical training program is supervised by the director of recreation and his staff. The approximate number reached weekly was 6,500 and 234,000 for the school year. In reporting the school attendance Mr. Davis notes that the attendance is based on the class attendance rather than on the individual attendance.

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## **ECONOMY SHOP NEEDS**

This week Economy Shop has calls for trousers and sweaters, men's and youth's sizes. A flock of youngsters who are going to beat the depression by "caddying" this summer were in trying to find something to wear on the links. Has anyone some of these articles to spare? Economy Shop will be glad to act as middleman.

-Mrs. A. W. Grinnell, chairman. Note: Economy shop is conducted by the Woman's Club of Wilmette.

Recommend C. C. C. Boys to Employers

To obtain jobs for boys who are being discharged from the Skokie Valley C. C. C. camp at Glenview because their year's enrollment expires at the end of June, Capt. John P. Crehan, commanding officer, is issuing an appeal to business firms in the Chicago area. Letters are being sent out by the camp to recommend boys certified for character and ability on the basis of their year's record in camp. Upon request interviews are arranged with prospective

Camp officers are also seeking aid for these boys by giving talks to chambers of commerce and other business organizations and using their personal influence with friends and acquaintances. The boys are trained in various capacities for general business employment. There are typists, stenographers, bookkeepers, construction men, foremen of labor units, office clerks, etc. Many of them have been enrolled in the study classes of the camp for the sake of more education and training.

"These boys, in the year they have spent in the C. C. C., have shown themselves to be deserving of all the aid we can give them in locating positions after they leave the camp," says Captain Crehan.

Garage Requests Permit to Remodel Its Building

The Shawnee Service garage, 515 Fourth street, has made application to the Village building commissioner for a permit to remodel its building by removing the present front and constructing a new front far enough from the street to permit installing gasoline pumps and building a driveway. Gasoline purchasers are now served by means of an overhead hose across the sidewalk. The application, presented at the Village board meeting Tuesday night, was referred to a zoning commission.

Huerter Auxiliary Will Entertain 7th District ‡

The American Legion auxiliary of Peter J. Huerter Post No. 669 will entertain the Seventh district at the meeting hall, Wilmette avenue and Ridge road, Wednesday afternoon, June 27, at 1:30 o'clock. Peter J. Huerter post and its auxiliary are now making plans for a Fourth of July celebration to be held in Wilmette.

Local Youth Enlists in Naval Reserve Air Corps

Arthur Peters, son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Peters, 1519 Washington avenue, and Elliot West, 1410 Main street, Evanston, have enlisted in the Naval Reserve Air corps, and will report at Pensacola, Fla., about August 10. They are the only two accepted from the Tenth congressional

## \$200 Presented to School Fund by Sears Class

At the annual commencement exercises of the Joseph Sears school, Kenilworth, last Friday afternoon the graduating class presented to the school \$200, which will be placed in the class gift fund. The presentation was made by John Dix, president of the class, and the gift was accepted by Jack Lawson, representing the seventh grade.

Practically all of the \$200 represents the proceeds of the annual Shakespearean play given by the class several weeks ago. The class gift fund, into which the money goes, is used for improvements and new equipment about the school. This year a motion picture machine, films for the machine, some gymnasium, equipment and other accessories were purchased with money from this

There were 49 pupils in the Joseph Sears graduating class this year. Diplomas were presented to them by Arthur W. Wakeley, president of the Kenilworth board of education.

Final Warning Is Given Delinquent Auto Owners

Superintendent of Police Henry Brautigam is issuing a final warning to owners of dogs and automobiles who have not secured 1934 Village licenses. Notices delivered to these owners by police officers are being disregarded, the chief states, and the only alternative is to issue summonses, which means additional costs, the possibility of fines and much needless annoyance. The police department is through with "soft glove" methods, Chief Brautigam adds, and 1932 Real Estate Taxes the recalcitrants will have to appear in court and "tell it to the judge.

Appropriate \$400 for Tax Collection Drive

At its meeting Tuesday night the Village board made an appropriation, not to exceed \$400, in support of the work of the New Trier Township committee, which is engaged in a determined effort to induce payment of delinquent taxes so that schools and other public institutions and services may be maintained. Trustee Harry C. Kinne represents the Village board on the committee.

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## **TENTATIVE HIGH** SCHOOL 1934-35 **BUDGET PASSED**

Operating Expenses Higher, But Total Budget Lower; \$55,000 Refunding Bonds Sold

The New Trier Township High School board has sold to the Northern Trust company 41/2 per cent refunding bonds in the sum of \$55,000, to cover bonds coming due on July 1. The bonds commanded a premium of \$3,370, which is equivalent to an interest rate of 4 per cent.

At a meeting held Tuesday night the board adopted a tentative budget for the coming year, totaling \$517,000. It is explained that the setting up of a definite budget at this time is difficult, as the collection of taxes has an important bearing on the matter. The uncertainty of these collections makes it practically impossible for the board to know exactly what funds it will have for the year's operation.

The operating budget as now set up is somewhat higher than last year, owing to the opening of the new building. It includes certain non-recurring costs, such as equipment for the new departments, and the additional expense for fuel, light, power and water. These items, it is explained, account for the increase in the operating budget.

While the operating budget is more than last year the total budget is less, it is pointed out. Disposal of the \$55,000 worth of refunding bonds is largely responsible for this.

Coming In Slowly—Hale

The second installment of 1932 real estate taxes is coming in slowly, according to Township Tax Collector Sanborn Hale. Mr. Hale is very anxious, he said, that all checks reach him by June 27, in order that he may complete the accounting and get the amounts onto the county books before July 1, which is the beginning of the penalty date on the second installment.

Quite a number of property owners also have paid the now delinquent first installment of the 1932 taxes, Mr. Hale reported.

Payment of money to the local tax collector assures an earlier distribution of the funds to the various taxing bodies of the township, Collector Hale explained.

High School Library Is Moved to New Quarters

The New Trier High school library is being moved from its present quarters to the large room which has been occupied as a boys' study hall in the east wing of the high school group of buildings adjoining the tennis courts. Workmen were busy this week removing shelves preparatory to transferring the books. This is one of a number of changes to be made in connection with the opening next fall of the new high school unit, construction of which was recently completed. Lockers in the old building which extend out into the hallways are being removed since the new building will have an ample number of lockers set back in the walls of the corridors.

**CONTAGIOUS DISEASES** 

For the week of June 10 to 17 the Wilmette Health department reported contagious cases as follows: Chickenpox, 4; German measles, 7; mumps, 5; measles, 1.