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GLENCOE ROAD IS IMPROVED

The Sheridan Road Improvement Association Has Made Extensive Repairs Through the Village.

EXPENSE REACHED $12,000

The Drive From Highland Park to Glencoe, a Distance of Eight Miles, Has Been Repaired and Placed in Condition.

The temporary repairs to Sheridan road, which were undertaken by the Sheridan Road Improvement association, have just been completed at a cost of approximately $16,000, according to the statement of President Edwin L. Lobdell.

Mr. Lobdell states that the repair work was done in the south end of Highland Park along the road to the south end of Glencoe. Roughly speaking about eight miles were included.

"Before the Sheridan Road Improvement association made these repairs the road was practically impassable," he said. "According to the statements of the association's engineers these temporary improvements will last two or three years.

"The repair work has been done under the direction of Mr. Arthur S. Lewis, superintendent of the Lincoln Park commissioners. On June 17 the work began. Mr. Lewis brought a crew of about fifty men from the Lincoln park force, purchased the necessary equipment and rented rollers and asphalt heating tanks. The payroll of the force was of course at once transferred from the Lincoln park commission to the Sheridan Road Improvement association.

Asphalt Macadam Used.

"At the advice of Mr. Lewis and the association's engineers, asphalt macadam, such as is used in Lincoln park, was utilized in the repair work. Mr. Lewis reported to the association that the original stone macadam had disappeared in a number of places. When he attempted to use a steam roller in the repair work the stone foundation was simply crushed through. In view of the limited funds at the disposal of the association, it was only attempted to put the road in a passable condition, and to keep it so for the next two or three years.

"The first work was to remove the immense deposits of clay which had bubbled up in wet weather through the worn out stone surface, and which formed mud holes and ridges in many places along the road.

"The topography of the country through which Sheridan road runs is such that the best possible drainage can be obtained. Thus the problem of maintenance is not difficult if ordinary care is taken. No matter how good a road is built it cannot be kept in good condition unless adequate drainage is maintained at all times. This the towns have never done. On the other hand the Lincoln park board is prepared to do this work at a very slight cost.

"The next important step to take in the improvement of Sheridan road is the turning over of that part of the road which is now controlled by the Rogers Park park board, to the Lincoln park commissioners.

"The transformation of Sheridan road from the condition of a rural road to that of a magnificent driveway, was the motive for which the association was formed.

Burnham Was Interested.

"The late Daniel H. Burnham was

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WILMETTE MAN MAY LOSE HIS RIGHT EYE

William Hess, 1109 Greenleaf avenue, Wilmette, is in danger of losing the sight of his right eye as a result of accidentally getting the end of a whip poked into it while out riding with William Foley, 708 Main street, Evanston, Saturday evening. The whip broke Hess' glasses and his eye was cut.

NEW TRIER COMMERCIAL ASS'N IN SESSION

The New Trier Commercial association held its regular meeting last Wednesday night. Many questions of public interest were discussed, among them being the Thursday afternoon closing of grocery stores and bakeries. It was decided to continue closing Thursday afternoon during the coming year. About twenty members were present and one new name was received. Luncheon was served after the business transactions were over, and a very pleasant hour was spent.

WILMETTE BOY SCOUTS TO GO ON LONG HIKE

The first class scouts from the first and second troops of the Wilmette Boy Scouts of America will leave next week for a trip on foot to Grand-deteur, Ill. The distance is about eighty miles and it is expected that they will make the march in about four days, stay in camp two days and return by train on the seventh day. A horse and wagon or an automobile will precede the boys to prepare the daily camp. On this trip it is expected that the boys will advance greatly in the work of first aid, etc., as they will be given every opportunity to have the field experience of their leaders.

POPULAR GLENCOE MAN DIED SUDDENLY MONDAY

William S. Crosby of Glencoe, for more than thirty years a prominent figure on the board of trade, died Monday morning from acute indigestion in St. Luke's hospital, Chicago. Mr. Crosby, who was 65 years old, had been ill for several months. Mr. Crosby for the last ten years was floor manager on the board of trade for Shearson, Hammill & Co., but before that was head of the old firm of Crosby & Co.

He was considered one of the deans of the board, and is said to have known as much of the history of its inner workings as any man in Chicago. He was well known to all the grain men in the city. Mr. Crosby had made his home at Glencoe for years. He is survived by a widow, two sons and two daughters.

EPWORTH LEAGUERS TO MEET IN WILMETTE

The Epworth league of the Wilmette M. E. church has engaged the Rev. Mr. Tyrrell to speak on "Mission Work in Africa" in their church at 5 o'clock next Sunday evening. Special invitations have been sent to the Evanston sub-district Epworth leagues to attend this service, but it is also open to anyone who may wish to come.

The stereopticon will be used and the slides are Mr. Tyrrell's own, made from pictures taken by him in his work there. The Chicago northern district, comprising about forty-five local chapters, are going to support a medical missionary in Africa at a cost of $1,000 a year, raising this amount by each member giving 2 cents a week.

One of the worst things in African heathenism is the witch doctor, and the awful tortures imposed on his patients.

TO SING FOR ARDEN SHORE

Resident of Mrs. William Gold Hibbard, Jr. in Winnetka, Will be Center of Interest Tonight.

PAULIST CHOIR TO SING

Chorus Which Won Such Great Honors in Europe Two Months Ago Will Give an Interesting Program of Ten Numbers.

This evening, in the beautiful garden of Mrs. William Gold Hibbard, Jr., on Willow road, Winnetka, will be given an unusually attractive entertainment. The attraction will be the Paulist choir of forty pieces, the same organization that won fame and honors abroad when they sang in several European capitals and before the pope in the vatican.

Lake shore society is greatly interested in the event, not only because it is the first time the choir has sung in this district, but also for the reason that the proceeds will go to that favorite charity, the Arden Shore encampment.

Many ingenious, original and attractive entertainments have been arranged for Arden Shore this summer, but the one this evening will far eclipse anything yet given both from a financial and from a social viewpoint.

Returned from Europe.

The Paulist choir returned this summer from a triumphant tour of Europe, having sung before the pope and at many foreign courts under the leadership of Father Finn, who will be their leader tonight. With their foreign laurels still fresh and lustrous, they are going out to Mrs. Hibbard's beautiful garden, with its glades, pools, dels, fringing flower beds and lawns, and sing madrigals, rondeaus and every other song that will fit in at such a festive occasion.

Seats, not in formal, tedious rows, but arranged in groups, will be provided. Preceding the moonlit entertainment many dinner parties will be given in different portions of the village where the summer colony is now holding forth.

The program, consisting of ten numbers, follows:

"Ave Maria".....Grieg
Serenade .....Arensky
"I Hear You Calling Me"...Marshall
Mr. Curran, soloist.
Musette ..... Gevaert
Mattinata ..... Tosti
Master Niceley, soloist.
Serenade ..... Brown
"Drink to Me Only with Thine Eyes".....Moore
Mr. Curran, soloist.
"Ave Maria" .....Gounod
Master Casey, soloist.
Rondo .....Gevaert
"Jerusalem Chorus" from "Gallia".....Gounod
Master Casey, soloist.

Tickets for the evening can be secured at the home of Mr. Hibbard for the nominal fee of $2.

WINNETKA WOMAN RETURNS FROM COAST

Mrs. Charles G. Bolte of Winnetka returned Thursday from the Pacific coast, where she went in June to attend the biennial of the General Federation of Women's clubs in San Francisco. Following the meeting Mrs. Bolte proceeded along the coast. She spent some time as the guest of Mrs. Kenneth Smoot, formerly of Highland Park, but now residing in Beaumont, Cal.

KENILWORTH PEOPLE PASS THROUGH FIRE

Kenilworth and Lake Shore people learned Saturday how it feels to pass through fire. They had, to say the least, a warm experience.

The incident occurred at Kenilworth. Just before the Northwestern passenger train arrived another train had hit a Standard Oil company wagon loaded with 950 gallons of gasoline. Sparks from the firebox of the locomotive ignited the oil, which saturated the roadway.

Word was flashed to the oncoming passenger that the tracks were afire, but it did not come in time to warn the engineer. The train rushed on and when it arrived at Kenilworth found a wall of flame confronting it. Instead of stopping, the engineer put on full speed and passed safely through to the station.

The collision between the other train and the oil wagon resulted in the demolition of the wagon, but neither the driver nor the horses was hurt.

WILMETTE MEN ESCAPE DEATH IN CAR COLLISION

Two Wilmette men had narrow escapes from death Saturday night when the automobile in which they were riding collided with a Chicago & Milwaukee electric car at Elmwood avenue. The machine was demolished by the force with which they came together.

J. J. Weber, 1903 Gregory street, a painting contractor and driver of the automobile, was thrown fifty feet by the collision. He incurred severe bruises on his arms and body. His son, Max, who accompanied him, was also hurled from his seat. He suffered slight wounds on the arms and face.

The father nearly lost his life. As he was lifted from the seat he was hurled on to the right of way, his body rolling off of the tracks just as the car sped by.

Weber blames the speed of the car for the accident. "I was unable to see the tracks owing to a clump of trees cutting off my view," he said. "The street car was running fast and I had no opportunity to stop my car before we clashed into it."

MANY IMPROVEMENTS AT NEW TRIER HIGH

Many improvements have been made in New Trier High school this summer. It now presents all the appearances of a small sized university. The one main building has been added a wing on each side, and a row of shops for students' use in the back. A large auditorium with a seating capacity of 1,200 is situated to the right with a lunch room of the same capacity, running back toward the rear of the lot.

On the left a building containing a girls' gymnasium at the north, a fifty-foot swimming tank in the center, and a huge boys' gymnasium and indoor running track at the south end of the building. These are the exterior additions, but the interior of the big main building has also been changed so cleverly that it has also more capacity. It is a wonderful school and it has not a rival in the state of Illinois. For opportunity in study, standard, athletics and physical development New Trier has ranked with the best.

A cinder running path is now under construction, a regulation perfect diamond that rivals the one in the Cubs' park is finished, a number of tennis courts are planned, and there is room for more.

GLENCOE MAN IS ENGAGED.

Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Sidney Johnson, 7316 Lafayette avenue, Chicago, announce the engagement of their daughter, Gladys Marjorie, to Paul Aiken Flanders of Glencoe.

PLAYGROUND FOR WILMETTE

Citizens of Village Organize in Effort to Get a Place for Children to Spend Their Time.

CAMPAIGN IS STARTED

Boys and Men Interested in Movement Will Solicit Funds Among the Residents of the Village This Week.

In an effort to establish a playground and gymnasium, and, ultimately, a Community House in Wilmette, the committee in charge have sent out circular letters to citizens of the village asking for their support in this worthy cause.

The letters will be distributed from house to house by committees of boys, who will at the same time solicit pledges of funds. The committees, or leagues, as they are called, are made up of the following boys: League one, Howard Cutler, Lewis Perkins, Earle Wheelock; league two, Roy Kirtland, William Wiseheart, Harry Bridwell; league three, Ralph Bruch, Malcolm Melville, Frederick Gage and Dale Smith; league four, Harold Smith, Louis M. Bruch and Cedric Smith; league five, Leland Pierson, Bruce Thayer and Brenton Groves; league six, Staver Moulding, Hugh Paterson and Merritt Bruch.

Want More Help.

A meeting of men and boys has been called at the home of J. H. Harper to organize collection leagues to canvass the households west of the railroad. It is urged that any of the other young men of Wilmette who wish to assist in the canvass for pledges will kindly offer their services to Harry W. Miller, 725 Ninth street; R. W. Jordan, 1317 Elmwood avenue, or Louis Bruch, 1201 Greenwood avenue. Bulletins will be displayed in prominent places three times a week to show the growth of the fund.

Following is the circular letter that is being distributed:

Dear Neighbor:

A gymnasium is badly needed in Wilmette—a community already containing 2,300 minors.

Most of our citizens have come to Wilmette to raise their children amid best surroundings. For the very little folks the grassy, shady yards are ideal, but for the growing boys and girls and the young men and women reaching their majority there is no recreation place. There is not in the town even a graded vacant lot large enough for the boys to play "indoor" baseball, nor in winter is there a place provided where the children might be indulged in as much as a skating pond.

No matter how good a home you have provided for your boy, he longs for a recreation place where he can develop his strength and skill with other youths. He craves the manly sports—which are as necessary to his upbuilding as is a knowledge of reading, writing and arithmetic.

Remembering the days of our youth, let us all, as neighbors, get together to establish here a community house, which shall, among other things, give to our boys and girls—

A gymnasium, with necessary lockers and shower. The gymnasium will serve for occasional moving picture shows, lectures and general meetings, which the parents—as well as the children—may attend.

A room for games, where the children may tarry for a bit after their exercises.

A room for boys' meetings—Nature