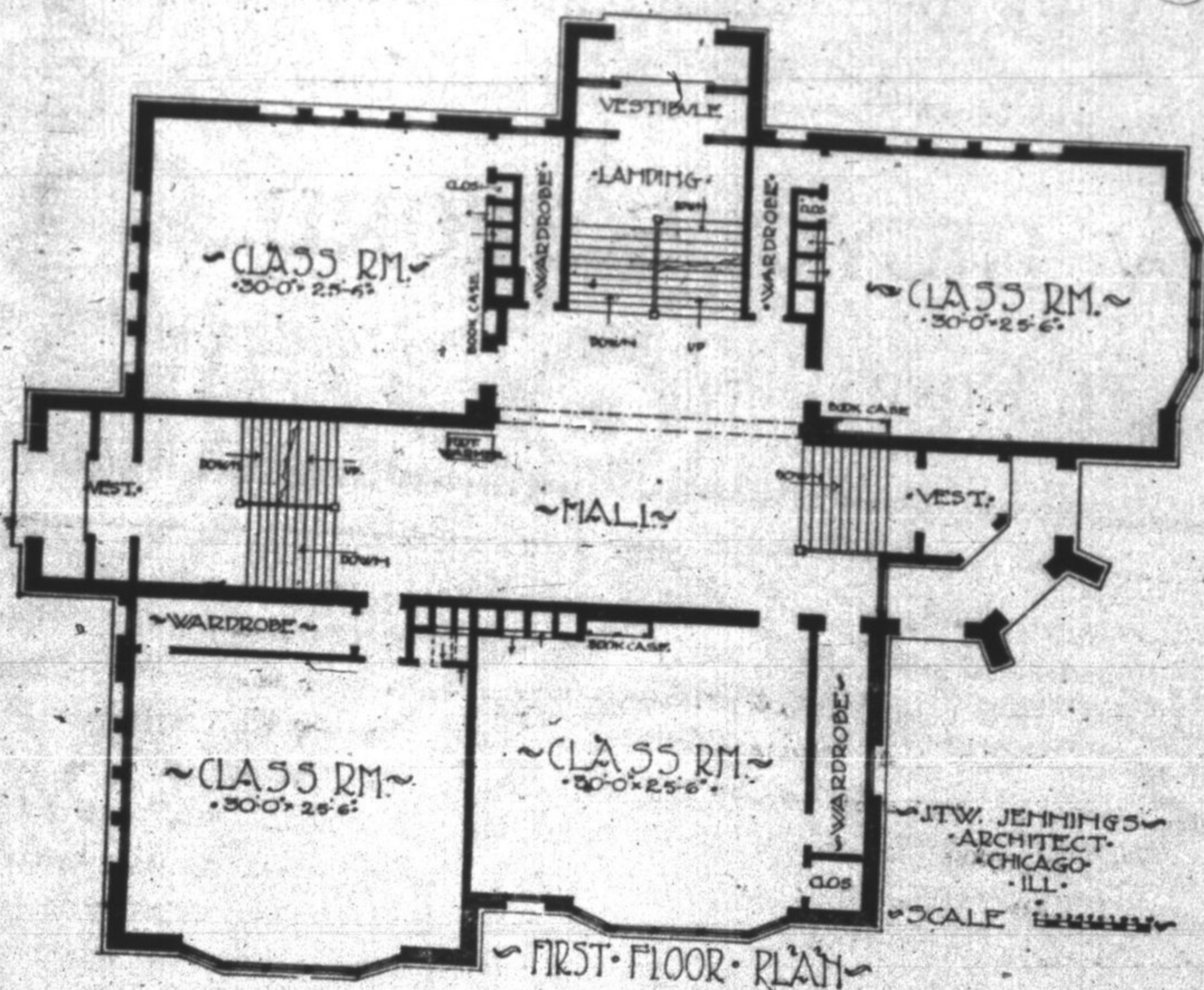


THE PRIDE OF GLENCOE.

About twenty-five years ago, the first Glencoe school house was destroyed by fire and the building which has just been vacated was built at a cost of about \$3000.

For over twenty years that building of three rooms sufficed. Then the two lowest grades were crowded out and into the Village Hall and finally one of the rooms in the old

stone from which rise the brick walls of the building, faced on all sides with pressed brick of a handsome pink color and discriminatingly trimmed with cut stone and designs of rock faced brick of a deeper shade. The arches of the tower entrance arise gracefully from bold buttresses of stone. The roof of slate rises steeply from broad overhanging eaves to a dignified sky line, and it is broken



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school was partitioned to provide for new classes. But once more the classes of the Glencoe school are housed in one building and with far better accommodations than ever before. The beautiful building which was formally opened last Saturday morning with a blare of light and a blare of trumpets by the band, in the presence of more people than were ever before gathered in Glencoe is shown in our illustration. The tower entrance faces the corner of Greenwood and Hazel avenues. The building is charmingly situated among oaks and elms; it stands back over 100 feet from both avenues and fittingly ornaments the school grounds which occupy an entire block of about five acres.

Upon the foundations of concrete are built the basement walls of lime-

here and there by graceful dormers. The broad bay windows with their half timbered work constitute a somewhat striking feature. The three entrances are at the ground level. Entering at the tower door and ascending by the stairs you are in the broad, light hall of the first story, facing the wide stairs to the southern exit and with the equally ample exit to the west at your right.

The rooms are all 24½ x 30 without counting the extra space in the bay windows. On your left is the kindergarten room, lighted only from the northeast. In all other rooms the pupils receive light from their left and from behind. The next room on the left of the hall is a beautiful bright room, with both a northeasterly and southeasterly exposure. In this room of sunshine are 48 desks

for the little ones of the first and second grades. The desks here as throughout the school are perfectly adjustable so that the wee-est little maid as well as the largest high school boy may study in a desk that is fitted to him or her. On this floor we find not only the 3rd grade room, but also the two highest grades for their teacher, who is also principal, must be where she can keep an eye on the order of the entire building. In each room is a teachers' closet and a book-case of the same handsome red oak which constitutes all the woodwork on the two main floors. Ascending by either of the two broad easy staircases, passing the two other class rooms and crossing the roomy hall, you enter the assembly room in which over 300 people were seated (with standing room for many more) on last Saturday. If need be, this pleasant room may be partitioned into two more class rooms of the same size as the others. Over the tower entrance we find the principal's cozy office with plenty of closet space and a speaking tube to the janitor's room. The broad stair case continues to the attic where there may some day be a fine gymnasium. There is plenty of room for it.

Going to the basement we find complete plumbing, play rooms for boys and girls, a large room for the janitor, racks for bicycles, the fire box boiler and the three cold air rooms with the indirect radiators which keep the building heated to 70 in the coldest weather and continuously furnish over 1500 cubic feet of fresh air per hour to every pupil while continuously carrying into the ventilating flues and through the roof all foul air. The principal presses a button and a gong in the hall rings for recess. Other buttons ring gongs outside which signal that play time is over.

The building is a credit to the Board of Education which built it, to Architect J. F. W. Jennings who planned and Architect J. J. Flanders who supervised it, to the contractors, the people of Glencoe and the North Shore, and particularly to the building committee: Mr. James K. Calhoun, chairman, Mr. John T. Plummer and Miss Grace Fuller, whose arduous labor of love has so happily culminated.

Horatio.