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MUNICIPAL CHRISTMAS TREE IDEA BOOSTED

PLANS BEING WORKED OUT

Council Appoints Edward J. Nolan Fire Marshall, to Take Charge January 1, 1917, Salary $1000

By Publicity Commission

The appointment by Mayor Hastings at last Friday's Council meeting, of a special commission to take under consideration the matter of arranging for a Municipal Christmas tree for Highland Park, will no doubt meet the approval of both young and old of our city. The commission consisting of Mr. Arthur P. Van Schaick, Mr. Herman Thomas, Mrs. F. D. Everett, Mrs. Eleanor B. Fyffe and Mrs. W. R. Ruffner, are to submit a plan and report at the next meeting of the council.

In order that the fire department may be brought up to the highest state of efficiency, consideration has been made for some time past, to employ a paid fire marshall who could devote his entire time to the service. At Friday's meeting the appointment was made in the person of Edward J. Nolan, to take effect Jan. 1, 1917, and to receive a salary of $1000 per year. A motion by Commissioner Bahr, that the council express to Mr. E. E. Farmer the present Fire Marshall, their appreciation for his excellent services and the high standard of efficiency of the fire department under his direction, was passed, and we are sure voices the sentiment of the entire community.

Commissioner Willits presented and moved that the City Collector's expense bill from November 24th to December 1st, together with the bills and payrolls covering period from

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TEST NEW GOLF COURSE

Chick Evans, National Amateur and Open Champion and Jimmie Donaldson Were Present

On Saturday, an unusual beautiful December day, there gathered at the new Bob O'Link Golf Club southeast of the Lincoln School, about 150 members and visitors; many well known in the Golf world.

It was a gala day, members met and were introduced to one another, some for the first time beheld what to them seemed the impossible: A course built and played on in the same year, something never accomplished before.

A four-ball match was played. A remarkable score being made with the course soft, with no roll to the ball. The test showed the course to be a fine one, the greens are of a rolling surface, which calls for best judgment, and tests the ability of the player.

It was the unanimous opinion of players, and those who followed the match, that the course was one of the finest in point of physical condition and Construction. It presents to the player ever changing scenes at every tee. The course is well planned, holes of good distance, perfect putting greens, built to last, also fine drainage.

Features to be added are a tennis court, and a swimming pool.

The Club House, now well under way of construction, will be an up to date substantial building.

After partaking of the lunch served by Mr. E. Welch, of Ravinia Park, the guests departed, declaring a fine day spent, to look forward to June 1st, 1917, the date of formal opening of the Club.

TO OPEN SUNDAY HOURS

Highland Park Barbers Decide to Open for Half Day Sunday and Holidays

At a meeting of the barbers in Highland Park, it was decided to open all barber shops in the city every Sunday and holiday for half a day. During the past months the shops have remained closed all day on Sundays and holiday, but beginning Sunday, December tenth the half day closing will be observed. The barbers wish to express their gratitude for the cooperation which the plan has received and hope that the day will come when they can establish on a firm footing the "Sunday closing."

HIGHLAND PARK TRUST COMPANY OPENS TODAY

TO OCCUPY ERSKINE BANK

Seventy Stockholders and Well Known Officers and Directors Begin a Saving, Banking and Loan Business

Over seventy stockholders met on Saturday evening to form what will be known in Highland Park in the future as The Highland Park Trust and Savings Bank. The bank will occupy the building formerly used by D. M. Erskine and Co., and will do a general banking business, loans, savings, etc. The bank will pay 3 per cent on all savings accounts. Safety deposits boxes will be rented and other safety conveniences offered to the public. The bank will clear through the Continental and Commercial National Bank of Chicago and starts business today with a capital of $50,000 and a surplus of $5,000. The following well known residents have been elected to carry on the business of the bank:

Pres., John A. Bunnell; vice president, John Oliver; Cashier, Chas. H. Warren, assistant cashier, Raymond L. Erskine.

Directors: John A. Bunnell, Richmond Dean, John Oliver, George F. Goodrow, Maud Erskine, Frank L. Wean, Morton R. Mavor, Kenneth MacKenzie, W. B. Egan, Louis N. Berube, and Alfred E. Olsen.

All the stockholders are residents of Highland Park and vicinity, making the institution a thoroughly home enterprise.

MRS. LOUISA BROWN DIES

Death Comes on Sunday Morning at Her Home in Highwood. Burial Today in Memorial Park Cemetery

On Sunday morning occurred the death of Mrs. Louisa Brown, wife of Charles Brown, at her home in Highwood. Mrs. Brown was born in 1847 in Sweden and came to America in 1868. She was married in 1871, and has lived in Highwood since 1873.

Mrs. Brown has been ill since August. Her death was caused by heart disease.

Funeral services will be read at one o'clock at the house, today, followed by services at the Swedish Lutheran Church at one thirty. Burial will take place in the Memorial Park Cemetery. Besides her husband the deceased leaves to survive her four daughters, Mrs. W. H. Brownlee, Ida Miller, Mrs. P. W. Blanchard and Olga Brown of Highwood, a son Charles Brown of Highwood, and ten grandchildren. Other relatives survive in Sweden.

In Memoriam

A precious one from us has gone,
A voice we loved is stilled;
A place is vacant in our home,
Which never can be filled.
God in His wisdom has recalled,
The boon His love had given;
And though the body slumbers here,
The soul is safe in Heaven.

—Contributed

OLD ELM ELECTS OFFICERS

E. F. Carry, President, C. T. Boynton, Treasurer, C. M. Folds, Secretary. Elected for 1917.

At a recent meeting of the members of the Old Elm Club the following officials were unanimously elected for 1917: E. F. Carry, president; Stanley Field, vice president; C. M. Folds, secretary; and C. T. Boynton, treasurer. A remarkable feature of the Old Elm Club is that while it was seeded in the fall of 1913 and opened for play June 20, 1914, it is in as fine condition today as any course in the West, and is an example of what money and intelligent green keeping can accomplish.

OLD SANTA IS COMING

Will Take a Ride Through Town Next Saturday and Stop at Warren's

Watch for Santa Claus Saturday morning between nine and ten o'clock as he has announced that he will ride thru the City streets to count all the good little girls and boys. Be sure to look out for him so he can take down your name in his big book.

His trip will end at Warren's store where he wants you all to come and shake hands with him and receive a little remembrance.

LAKE COUNTY AND NEARBY NEWS NOTES

HAIL STORM VISITS COUNTY

James G. Welch Takes Oath of Office as States Attorney Monday. To Enlarge Waukegan Harbor

Hail Storm at Lake Forest

The hail storm which hit Lake Forest, Lake Bluff and Libertyville at 5:30 Monday morning was the worst seen in this section for many years. The hailstones were as large as hazelnuts and covered the ground to a depth of two inches.

In fact the downpour of hail was such that after they had washed into the streets or had been blown there by a high wind which prevailed, they accummulated in piles a foot deep in many places. The coating of hail as it lay on the ground presented a most unusual sight. It was especially so because of the fact that it happened in December. One would not have thought much of it had it happened in April.

Welch Takes Office

Lake county may now expect four years of fearless and rigid prosecution of all criminals, blind pigs, dens of iniquity of all shapes and design. James G. Welch took the oath of office as state's attorney Monday morning.

On the strength of pre-election promises, Lake county, returned a large plurality for Mr. Welch in the triangular race between the successful candidate, Ralph J. Dady, former state's candidate and Major A. V. Smith. At that time Mr. Welch primised to:

Enforce all laws with even-handed justice.

Compel county treasurer to place funds in banks which will pay 3 per cent instead of 2 per cent interest on checking accounts.

Advise and direct all public officials as to the legal method of discharging their duties.

Save the county much expense in administering the duties of the prosecutor's office; no special assistants are to be employed.

Investigate all cases to come before grand jury thoroughly, before attempting to indict the suspects.

To Enlarge Waukegan Harbor

The United States engineering department at Great Lakes has prepared plans for the enlargement of the harbor at Waukegan, it became known through advices received there Monday. All of the plans have been prepared and the engineers will recommend an appropriation of many hundreds of thousands of dollars for the work.

Representatives of the engineering department have completed a full survey of the work necessary to increase the size of the harbor. The fact was not generally known but a corps of engineers from the United States forces have been working for two years in arranging the plan for the reconstruction of the waterway.

According to the advices received by the Waukegan Gazette, given out from an authentic source, the mouth of the local harbor will be enlarged to twice its present width and the bay will be also increased in size. A large portion of the government land lying north of the present harbor will be used in the plan.

DOROTHY GISH WEDNESDAY

Bessie Barriscale, Sunday, Marie Doro in "The Lash," Saturday Evening and Bray's Cartoon Pictures

The following shows will be given at the Highland Park Theatre next week.

Sunday, Bessie Barriscale in "A Corner in Colleens", Monday, four acts of vaudevile, and a two reel comedy, Tuesday, Gail Kane, in "The Scarlet Oath," Wednesday, Dorothy **Gish in "Atta Boy's Last Race," and** a comedy, Thursday, Hamilton Revelle and Marguerite Snow in "The Half Million Bride," and Musty Suffer, Friday, "Anton, The Terrible," Saturday, Marie Doro, in "The Lash," Burton Holmes Travel Pictures and Brays Cartoon Pictures.

SHERIDAN ROAD OPEN THROUGH KENILWORTH

NEW 40-FT CONCRETE ROAD

Wilmette Making Rapid Progress With Paving from Sanitary Channel to North Limits of Village

Motorists of Chicago and suburban towns are rejoicing over the fact that Sheridan Road will shortly be available as a thru route from Chicago thru the North Shore towns.

During the past summer Kenilworth built a concrete pavement of the most modern and approved type, 40 feet wide, thru the village, the improvement including a monumental bridge at Kenilworth Avenue. This street is now open to traffic.

In Wilmette rapid progress is being made on the paving of Sheridan Road from the sanitary channel north to the village limits. Enough has already been finished to afford a direct route in connection with Michigan Avenue, the first street east of Sheridan Road.

Between Wilmette and Kenilworth and not in the jurisdiction of either village, is a 1,400 foot stretch of Sheridan Road which for several years has been practically impassable The Township, County and Sanitary District have co-operated to pave this link with concrete. The work is completed but will not be open to traffic for three or four weeks.

While Sheridan Road is in fairly passable condition thru Winnetka, plans are in progress for permanent improvement of the road thru that village. Upon its completion, motorists will have continuous ideal conditions on Sheridan Road in and between North Shore villages as far as Highland Park.

Thus, motorists may enjoy the beauties of the North Shore towns without groping thru the various side streets in an effort to find a passable highway. It is a further step in linking of Chicago and Milwaukee, the aim of the Sheridan Road Improvement Association, which several weeks ago held impressive ceremonies at the state line at which Governor Phillip of Wisconsin and Congressman Foss of Illinois, spoke heartily in favor of a permanent paved highway, giving uninterrupted passage from Chicago to Milwaukee.

"GOOD BOOKS" WELCOMED

Primary Grades Day on Monday Special Feature. Story Telling Promptly at Ten Saturday

"Good Book Week" was given a most cordial welcome by the public this week. On Monday one hundred and six books were let out, which is a great increase over the usual number. Primary grade day was fittingly celebrated on Monday when Miss Sands of the Elm Place School and thirty two of her primary pupils came in to learn the useful art of taking books from the library. A number of applications for cards, which will enable them to draw books from the library, were made. Tuesday as grammar grades day and yesterday as high school grades day were both very well attended. Today is womens day and tomorrow is mens day. Too much emphasis can not be laid on Saturday's session, including the story hour, at ten o'clock in the morning. It is the desire to have as many children as possible attend this story hour which is to begin very promptly at ten o'clock, in Library Hall.

Attractive book lists have been prepared and are placed at different places throughout the library. The librarians invite the public to inspect these lists and take them for future reference. There has been no limit placed on the number of books one may take from the library during this week, and many people are availing themselves of the opportunity to use more books. A **hospitable feature of the work is** the serving of tea at four o'clock each day. Different hostesses being appointed for each day. The librarians are ready at any time to lend their aid to all who desire it, to suggest good books to read, and to help in every possible way. "Good Books First."

TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-ONE ATTEND GET-TOGETHER FEAST

LOWER GAS RATES FOR NORTH SHORE JANUARY FIRST

Epoch-Making Meeting Held at Moraine Hotel Monday Night Wherein all Cities Between Wilmette and Waukegan Pledge Desire for Cooperation. Mayor Hastings Toastmaster

By Publicity Commission

The meeting of the Association of North Shore Municipalities at Moraine Hotel Monday night, December 4, was a delightfully inclusive affair. Two hundred twenty one guests, men and women, sat down to a liberal dinner at 7:30 and later listened to addresses and toasts till eleven o'clock.

At the center of the Speakers' table sat Toastmaster Mayor S. M. Hastings of Highland Park with other mayors and officials on either side. Naturally, residents of Highland Park were in the majority, but Waukegan, North Chicago, Lake Bluff, Lake Forest, Deerfield and Winnetka were well represented. There were some present from other near-by towns, as well as officers from Ft. Sheridan and "Great Lakes Naval Station."

Piano and violin music enhanced the pleasure of the dinner hour and at its conclusion, Mayor Hastings' gavel sounded "attention" to a series of interesting addresses and humorous toasts.

With the Mayor's strong presentation of the purposes and scope of the "association," there came to the listener a vision of the beautiful and far reaching possibilities of the North Shore locality and the onenes of its destiny.

Most of the problems of one of its centers are the problems of all: the advantages of one become the resources of all; and the dealings of one with any of the public utilities should be parallel with the dealings of all.

We are parts of one great pattern and must be gradually and painstakingly knit together by an intelligent posterity. The university course which we have heard hinted at of "Better Communities" must be offered to our young people that men and women may be trained to become experts in the art of governing: first the small town, then the big city.

Excellent as was the dinner, and pleasant the conversation and discussions indulged in by the residents of the North Shore grouped around the tables, the business of the evening started when our worthy Mayor, rose, and in his usual happy and dignified manner gave us some of the reasons for this gathering of the clans, at which two hundred and twenty one persons were present. He said

I am not sure, as I have not taken counsel, as to whether this TRUST of the Association of North Shore Municipalities is in violaton of the Clayton Act, and whether we shall have the Federal Trade Commssion of the U. S. Government sending out an investigating committee on this proposition. We are taking those chances, and I am giving you this warning thus early in the evening that you may be prepared and not taken unawares should such an occurrence take place. The plan is as follows:

This association is incorporated as a corporation not for profit and the corporate purpose shall be as set forth in the charter. There shall be eleven directors of this corporation. Each director shall be a Mayor or President of one of the cities or villages which join in this movement.

The membership of this association is composed of the Mayor, Aldermen, Commissioners, Trustees and officers of the following municipalities:

Waukegan, North Chicago, Lake Bluff, Lake Forest, Highwood, Highland Park, Glencoe, Winnetka, Kenilworth, Wilmette, and Deerfield.

The work of the organization is divided into eleven departments, and for facility in accomplishment the object of the corporation eleven committees has been formed, each to take charge of one of the said departments of work. Each committee, with the exception of the committee on "Municipal Law and Legislation," has as its chairman one of the Mayors or Presidents of the municipalities hereinabove named, and such other members as may be decided upon by the Board of Directors. The President of the association is a member of each committee ex officio. The several committees are as follows:

Franchise
Lighting
Water
Local Improvements
Police, Bathing Beaches and Health Regulations
Sanitation
Purchase Clearing House
Municipal Accounting
Tax Valuation
Public Utilities
Water Purification and Sewage Disposal
Finance
Municipal Law and Legislation

In addition to the official family, there has been created an advisory board, consisting of three members who do not occupy any official position, selected from each city by the mayor and confirmed by the council, providing an advisory board of 33 members. This advisory board will be called together to advise with the officials when great problems or emergencies arise effecting the whole community. As for instance, should it be thought advisable to create a great central pumping station that would provide water for this entire district, with the intakes six or eight miles out in the lake, we would need the counsel and advise of this advisory board and probably would need their "financial wisdom" in solving the problem. The same thing would apply should your officials desire to create a great park system running through the Skokie Valley, from the south to the north end of our district.

I believe you can see from the plan, which of course will be subject to many alterations as conditions develop that we here have a new idea.

As a corollary of the old negro preacher's pronunciamento, "The sun do move," the world stands still. Therefore, I am obliged to take issue with the colored brother, in spite of the visual evidence to support his proposition. The world certainly does move, and as certainly moves onward. I do not mean that there is never any retrogression in its motion,

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JESSIE HARDING TO READ

Next Ossoli Club Meeting on Tuesday Evening to be a Charming program. Alexander Gray to Sing

The next meeting of the Ossoli club will take place on Tuesday evening at eight o'clock at the Highland Park Club House. An especially beautiful program is being arranged. Miss Jessie Harding who is a charming reader is to give a "request program," and Mr. Alexander Gray will sing two groups of songs.

Miss Adele Everett is chairman of the committee in charge of the evening.

EBENEZER BAZAR DEC. 14

Ladies Aid to Hold Annual Affair at 19 S. St. John's Ave., Next Week

A bazaar is to be given on Thursday afternoon and evening, December fourteenth from three p. m. to ten p. m. by the Ladies Aid Society of the Ebenezer Evangelical Church in the Singer Sewing Machine demonstrating room at 19 S. St. Johns. Ave. This will afford an excellent opportunity to do your Christmas shopping early and avoid the rush of the down town streets and stores. Very dainty and useful gifts will be on sale, also homemade pies, cakes, and candies.