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SUBURBAN BUILDING SHOWS SLIGHT DROP

IN RECORD FOR JULY, 1927

As Compared With Same Month Year Ago; Straus & Co. In Monthly Report Analyzes Condition

Niles Center played a stellar role in July building construction, making a gain over July of last year of 563 per cent. Whiting followed a close second with a gain of 518 per cent. Of the twenty-three suburbs making official reports, the other towns making gains included Evanston, Glencoe, Glen Ellyn, Joliet, Harvey, Des Plaines and Waukegan, according to S. W. Straus & Co. who compile statistics on more than 500 leading cities and towns of the country.

Evanston eclipsed its traditional rival Oak Park by making a 4 per cent gain in July over the same month last year. In comparison with June this year, however, Evanston sustained a loss of 65 per cent. Oak Park had a loss of 71 per cent in comparison with June of this year and a loss of 20 per cent in comparison with July last year.

The drop in building volume so marked over the country generally is beginning to be felt in the suburbs that have so far defied all tendencies to show losses consistently. The larger towns in addition to those already mentioned which showed July losses and the percentage of loss were as follows: Aurora, 47 per cent; Berwyn, 66 per cent; Cicero, 51 per cent; La Grange, 26 per cent; Gary, 60 per cent; and Hammond, 36 per cent.

Comparative Figures

The comparative figures for July 1926 and 1927 were as follows:

	July 1927	July 1926
Aurora	\$ 251,735	\$ 479,561
Berwyn	343,400	1,027,700
Blue Island	101,870	134,755
Chicago Heights	79,530	171,925
Cicero	218,056	659,050
Des Plaines	39,425	38,420
Evanston	624,550	595,200
Glencoe	139,850	100,025
Glen Ellyn	153,800	147,000
Harvey	155,518	77,404
Highland Park	185,560	232,883
Joliet	410,000	335,222
La Grange	152,000	180,000
Niles Center	75,000	11,300
Oak Park	403,804	506,066
Waukegan	485,088	236,199
Wheaton	107,500	187,750
Winnetka	178,800	209,175
E. Chicago, Ind.	237,450	454,120
Gary	1,383,740	3,628,400
Hammond	529,800	838,225
Whiting	48,080	7,775

Total Generally High

In spite of the spotty results, with some large gains and some high losses in building volume, the total for the twenty-three suburbs reporting was high. The volume in these suburbs for July was \$6,384,656 as against \$10,258,258 in July 1926. It is apparent, the survey points out, that in spite of a large volume of building now being carried on in the suburbs, construction has reached its mid-summer slump. Whether the construction volume will again begin to ascend in the fall or parallel the declining building curve already well marked over the country generally is a question.

President Coolidge will soon be getting back to Washington, and the office seekers anyway will give him an enthusiastic reception.

Old Dobbin often used to last 20 to 30 years, but he was not asked to pull the whole family over a rough road at 40 miles per hour.

The boy who is taught to take the smallest piece of cake, goes out in the world and is applauded when he grabs the biggest heap of money.

WINNETKA ARMS TO FIGHT AUTO DEATHS

Five Fatalities Since First of Year Causes Serious Study by Authorities

So great has been the increase in automobile accidents, with a corresponding proportion of fatalities, recently in Winnetka, that the village authorities have taken up a careful study of the situation with a view to remedying the condition which is gradually growing worse.

On the wall at police headquarters at the Village hall, is posted a map of Winnetka, on which are marked the locations at which the various accidents since January 1, have occurred. Five people have been killed by automobiles here since the first of the year; twenty-four others have been injured, to a greater or lesser extent and fifty-two automobile accidents of sufficient nature to require police attention have occurred, but in which no one was injured.

This, in the opinion of Chief of Police W. M. Peterson, is a deplorable and a wholly inexcusable record, and one for which the people themselves, to blame.

Warnings from the police and from civic bodies have been given, and yet all have gone unheeded, says the chief. The same mad rush and utter disregard of state and village traffic laws and rules goes on, despite arrests and every other precaution which has been employed in an effort to stop it.

NEW STYLE FOOTBALL AT NORTHWESTERN U.

Coach Dick Hanley Introduces Method Used by Him With Success at Haskell

Coach Dick Hanley, Northwestern university's new football mentor, will introduce to the Big Ten this fall an entirely new system of football. The former Haskell Indian mentor plans to establish at Northwestern the famous Warner system which has been used by Pop Warner and his grid proteges with unusual success wherever tried.

Coach Hanley who was brought up on the Warner system during his college career at Washington state and later used it with such brilliant success at Haskell is confident that his teams at Northwestern will adopt the new type of play with similar success. During the spring training period, Coach Hanley and his brother Pat began tutoring the Purple players in the new style of football and it "took" immediately with the large squad of varsity candidates.

The huddle system is not used by Coach Hanley. The quarterback calls out his signals rather than merely giving the number of the play as is the vogue on many teams today. A number of other new features will be noticed by the fans who see the Wildcats in action this fall. While it is usually a difficult task to teach a squad of players a new system in one season, Coach Hanley feels certain that the Purple candidates will be able to grasp the Warner system rapidly.

The new coach faces one of the hardest schedules in the conference. Following the opening tilt with South Dakota the Purple will be called upon to meet the strong Utah eleven and then on the following Saturday bumps up against Ohio at Columbus for the conference opener. Then comes the hop back to Evanston to meet Illinois on the following week-end. Then without any respite comes the tough Missouri eleven to be followed by Indiana, Purdue and Iowa.

TUNNEY WILL TRAIN AT LAKE COUNTY CLUB

Cedar Crest, Near Antioch, Is Selected as Site of Camp by Manager Gibson

Gene Tunney, world's heavyweight champion boxer, will train in Lake county to defend his championship crown against Jack Dempsey, former champion and present challenger, at Soldier's field in Chicago on September 22.

Billy Gibson, manager of the champion, selected the site after he found that Dempsey has an option on the Lincoln Field race track which is to the south and a little nearer Chicago. Gibson, however, stated that Cedar Crest Country club, where Tunney will do his training, is an ideal site and has all the conveniences any boxer could desire. Cedar Crest is a new club near Lake Villa, located between Fox Lake and Petite Lake and there is an imposing and modern 14 room mansion for a club house. It is 50 miles north of Chicago and is tucked away in the lake region away from the busy road and nicely isolated for quiet and secret training when the champ is ready for that type of work.

As Tunney is especially fond of porting and fishing, it will be right

PROHIBITION AGENTS SEIZE HUGE STILL

Locate 200 Gallon Capacity Equipment in Bungalow at Waukegan

Forcing their way into the bungalow of Bert A. Innes and Elmer R. Innes of 308 Keith avenue, just off Sheridan road, Waukegan, last Thursday afternoon, federal agents uncovered the largest liquor distilling plant that has ever been seized in this section of the country.

After marveling at the gigantic size of the 200 gallon capacity still and the completeness of the equipment for the making of alcohol, the agents probed further and found that the plant located in the basement of the home was connected by an underground passageway or tunnel with the garage, nearly 100 feet from the residence.

After parts of the still and other equipment and a large quantity of alcohol was placed on a truck, the owners and occupants of the bungalow were taken to Chicago where they were arraigned before United States Commissioner Henry Beidler, and released on bonds of \$1,500 pending trial on August 15.

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