

### BUDGET FOR COUNTY SCHOOLS \$3,743,000

Heading the contingent of Chicagoans who went to the Lawsonia Country club to attend the annual invitation regatta of Class C boats held on Green Lake, August 1, 2, and 3, were: John D. Cady, 230 East Delaware place; Mr. and Mrs. William E. MacFarlane, 325 Fullerton Parkway; Weymouth Kirkland, 1320 N. State street, who planned to spend the week with his family summering there; and Chancellor Dougall, of the Seneca.

The Lake Geneva, Delavan Lake, Cedar Lake, Pine Lake, Minnetonka, Neenah-Noonday, Oshkosh, Pewaukee, Pistakee, and White Bear Yacht clubs are among the organizations which participated in the three-day competition.

Dr. Otto L. Schmidt, of Chicago and Lake Geneva, was one of the three officials judges.

Sub-debs in spinners and college boys in oilskins, defending the Green Lake Yacht club's banner in the meet, included Miss Dorothy Dunham, young daughter of John H. Dunham, 747 Sheridan road, Evanston, commodore of the host club, and Mrs. Dunham; Betty Jane Norcott, daughter of the Henry F. Norcotts, 1418 Forest avenue, Evanston; Jane Nash, daughter of the John Nashes, also of Evanston; Jack Niedringhaus, of St. Louis, Mo.; Phil T. Starck, Harry Cody, Jr., Jimmy Baird, Harry Hen-

gisch, Charles Moore, and Lyman McBride, all of Chicago.

Concluding the three-day regatta was the annual dance of the Green Lake Yacht club, held Saturday night at the Lawsonia Country club, at which the visiting skippers were the guests of honor.

Chicago and suburbia continue to beat a path to the wide-open doors of the new French chateau clubhouse of the Lawsonia Country club. Latest arrivals include that popular Evanston pair, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard C. Garrison of 2437 Sheridan road. With their three small children, they are spending an athletic holiday, swimming and sailing, golfing, and all the rest.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Dutton of Michigan avenue, Highland Park, spent the week at the Lawsonia Country club as did also Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Page of 1209 Astor street; the T. Shelby Blacks, 181 Lake Shore drive, and Mr. and Mrs. Burton F. Peak and their two daughters of Moline, Illinois.

### MR. JOHN O'KEEFE AND HOME COMPLIMENTED

The following communication came to the Press from Mr. Edward Murphy of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen No. 273, which is very complimentary to Mr. O'Keefe, who for twenty-five years has been superintendent of the Railroad Men's Home here:

At Highland Park near the north shore of Lake Michigan a thirty minute ride from the roar of Chicago's traffic and in a nature favored, sequestered spot near a forest primeval is the Brotherhood Home maintained by the Cleveland Railway Brotherhoods. The institution is a living monument to the tireless efforts of John O'Keefe, its superintendant, who twenty-five years ago took charge of the home—then a frame structure—and who with a labor of one alone has builded an institution that will forever survive. In the heart of every brotherhood man there is a warm spot for Brother John O'Keefe. "May he live an hundred years,

And we, a hundred less a day, For we woudn't like to be on earth To hear he'd passed away"

#### SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE NO. 341

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested that the City Council of the City of Highland Park, County of Lake and State of Illinois having ordered the construction of a reinforced concrete pavement with concrete combined curb and gutter and the necessary storm drainage in Ridge Road, Clavey Road, Eastview Road, Sumac Road, Ridgelee Road, Old Briar Road, Poplar Road, Balsam Road and Blossom Court, in the City of Highland Park, Lake County, Illinois, the ordinance for the same being on file in the office of the City Clerk of said city and having applied to the County Court of Lake County for an assessment of the costs of said improvement according to benefits, and an assessment thereof having been made and returned to said court, the final hearing thereon will be had on the 17th day of August A. D. 1929, or as soon thereafter as the business of the court will permit.

Said assessment is payable in ten (10) installments, with interest at the rate of six (6) per centum per annum on all installments from and after date of issue of first voucher. All persons desiring may file objections in said court before said day and may appear on the hearing and make their defense.

FRANK LAING,

Officer appointed to make said Assessment Dated at Highland Park, Ill., August 1, A. D. 1929.

The New York papers are apparently throwing fits because Bishop Cannon bought and sold stocks, but it's our personal opinion that they are really throwing fits because the Bishop didn't support Al Smith.

Speaking of modern excitement you seldom get a thrill nowadays equal

to the one when you were a boy and went to the depot every day to see the afternoon train from the city pull in.

The man behind the gun was once considered the savior of his country, but about now we are looking for the man behind the hoe.

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#### JUST PARAGRAPHS

"Memoirs of a Fox Hunting Man" by Siegfried Sassoon has distinguished itself by taking all the English annual prizes. The only other book thus honored was Garnett's "Lady Into Fox."

#### THIS WAS THE WAR

"All Quiet on the Western Front" by Erich Maria Remarque Little Brown & Co.

It is something almost too much like presumption to sit down to write a critical approval of this book "All Quiet on the Western Front." It is not a book at all but life. Its author, Erich Maria Remarque, a German soldier in the World war, has been able to put down his experiences, both physical and spiritual with a simplicity and clarity and beauty which are beyond criticism. It is simply right. There is nothing one would have changed.

It is odd to have this book, surely the finest one that has yet come from the war, come to us from an "enemy" pen. If we needed anything to prove that the men in front of our guns were just like those behind them, as gay, as suffering, as loath to unloose the horrible machinery of war against fellow creatures this book has given it to us.

For depth, for beauty and pathos "Sergeant Grischg" might be compared with this book. Yet that was all foreign to us. War on that Russian front might have been a war of two hundred years ago. But this one is near, these experiences are near, if we had been there they would have been our own.

Mr. Remarque has explained as no one else has explained, the psychology of the trenches, the comradeship, the furious love of life, the despair, which made them go on or which sometimes drove them mad. He has also understood the psychology of those who were left, especially the young men, of

whom he was one, who as he said "have never had any other calling than death" how can they go back into the world of men and not feel utterly alone. "We will be superfluous even to ourselves, we will grow older, a few will adapt themselves, some others will merely submit, and most will be bewildered;—the years will pass by and in the end we shall fall into ruin." The word "great" is bandied back and forth lightly in these days but to this book of beauty and strength it can humbly be applied.

#### NOT SO GOOD

##### "Dark Duel"

by Marguerite Steen  
Frederick A. Stokes Co.

"Dark Duel" is one of those inept books about unreal people which one reads through principally to see how the author is going to get out of this mess.

Its principle characters are an aged actress whose greatness and charm we are told about but never made to feel, her granddaughter, Lisa, one of those characters described as almost ugly when the author insists upon treating as a raving beauty, and a young man, Val, whose overpowering attractions seem to consist in an utter conceit and in being sleek and dark and long—like a cat encountered at midnight.

The "duel" is between the two women for the attentions of Val. They use odd weapons, one of Lisa's being a marriage to an unattractive hulk of a man old enough to be her father.

The beautiful Val has a play with which he practically kills off the grandmother trying to make her act in it. It then transpires that his brutality to Lisa comes from a deep love for her, a love nursed for years. At this point reach, not for a pencil, but a club.

Anyway, the old 'uns have the grace to die off practically simultaneously, leaving Lisa to victory—and Val. O death where is thy sting?

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