

CITY IS FAVORED IN ANNEXATION CONTEST

Court Overrules Move to Invalidate 1925 Action; Seiler Case in Court

The Circuit court of Lake county, on Saturday, April 11, overruled the application of Mr. William M. Seiler of Highland Park to obtain leave to contest the annexation of his property and the surrounding territory to the city of Highland Park. This annexation, which was carried out in 1925 in the form of an exchange of property between the village of Deerfield and the city of Highland Park was held to be beyond attack by Circuit Judge Ralph J. Dady. The city of Highland Park was represented by Corporation Counsel, John W. Munro, who argued that the allowance of the petition would work irrevocable injury to the city.

Bonds Issued

Mr. Munro pointed out that, since the annexation, the city has issued bonds authorized in 1927 and 1928 which had become liens against the property in question; that a large expense would be incurred by the city in the removal of a large water meter now located on the territory sought to be disannexed, metering the water sold to the village of Deerfield; that the cost of this to the taxpayers of

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Past Presidents to Be Guests of N. S. Realty Board Monday, Apr. 20

The past presidents will be the guests of the North Shore Real Estate board at a dinner Monday evening, April 20 at 6:30 o'clock, at the Shawnee club, Wilmette.

Announcement will be made of the winner of the prize of ten dollars in gold, awarded by President Jules Dixon, for the best letter on the subject to "Advantages of Membership in the North Shore Real Estate Board."

The winning letter will be furnished the Press and used as a keynote of the membership drive, which formally begins on the same evening; credit however, will be given for new members brought in this year up to 7 p. m., June 15, 1931.

Prizes will be awarded as follows: first prize \$20, second prize \$10, third prize \$5, fourth and fifth prizes \$2.50 each.

Active membership fee during this drive will be \$25, active associate \$10, dues waived on both classes to June 30, 1931, no fees for affiliated membership, but dues for the last six months of 1931, \$7.50, must accompany application.

The speaker of the evening will be Mr. A. M. Schultz, sales expert. Mr. Howard Brown, past president, will give a brief historical account of the board.

The ladies are especially invited to this event, which promises to be the largest meeting of the year. Reservations should be forwarded to Harold R. Vant, secretary, Deerfield, Ill., at once.

Mrs. Arthur Swanson was called to Green Lake, Wis., early this week by the death of her father.

Recent Activities of Ravinia Woman's Club; Sessions April 8 and 11

The Spring Informal given by the Ravinia Woman's club at the Village House Saturday evening, April 11, was a decided success and was attended by about sixty couples.

Excellent music was furnished by a Waukegan orchestra and dancing continued until midnight when a delicious buffet supper was served.

Bridge tables were provided for those who wished to play cards, and a number of prizes were given. Mrs. Theodore Fischer was in charge of the bridge tables.

Those responsible for the success of the party were, a special committee appointed from the board of directors of the club. The personnel of the committee is as follows: Mrs. Allan Wolff, chairman, Mrs. Godfrey Eyler, Mrs. Arthur Raff, Mrs. F. L. Venning, Mrs. F. Gault, Mrs. E. E. Leonard, Mrs. Carl Haessler, Mrs. Theodore Fischer, Mrs. Harold Lynn, and Mrs. Edwin C. Jones.

Anita Willits Burnham, artist lecturer, spoke at the Ravinia Woman's club Wednesday, April 8, before a large group of club members and guests who came to hear her.

Mrs. Burnham in a delightful informal way, told of a two year trip around the world with a family of six at an expense of only two dollars a person per day.

She illustrated her talk with slides of sketches made while abroad by her daughter Carol Lou Burnham. The slides were exceptionally interesting and have been colored by Miss Burnham.

Mrs. Burnham's lecture was entertaining and educational and as usual, her refreshing sense of humor with an undercurrent of wit kept her audience with her from the moment she appeared on the platform in her cork hat and "seven dresses" until she closed her talk showing a sketch of the "Vista del Lago" on Lake Michigan bringing everybody back home after a pleasant tour of the world.

Richard Buhling In Musicales, Sunday

The Arts committee of the Ravinia Woman's club announces a Sunday afternoon musicale April 26, at 5 o'clock at the Village House.

Richard Buhling, pianist and scholar, enroute from Los Angeles to Salzburg, Austria, will play an unusually interesting program ranging from Bach to Chavez.

Tickets are on sale at Gsell's in Ravinia or may be bought at the door, the evening of the musicale.

The Music Study group of the Arts committee will make an analytic study of this program on Tuesday, April 21 at 4 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Seymour of Cary avenue. All who are interested are invited to come.

Confirmation Reunion Is Largely Attended

The confirmation reunion held last Sunday at St. John's Evangelical church was very well attended. The oldest confirmed persons present were Mrs. Funk and Mr. Borchardt, confirmed in 1864 and 1866 respectively.

William Witten

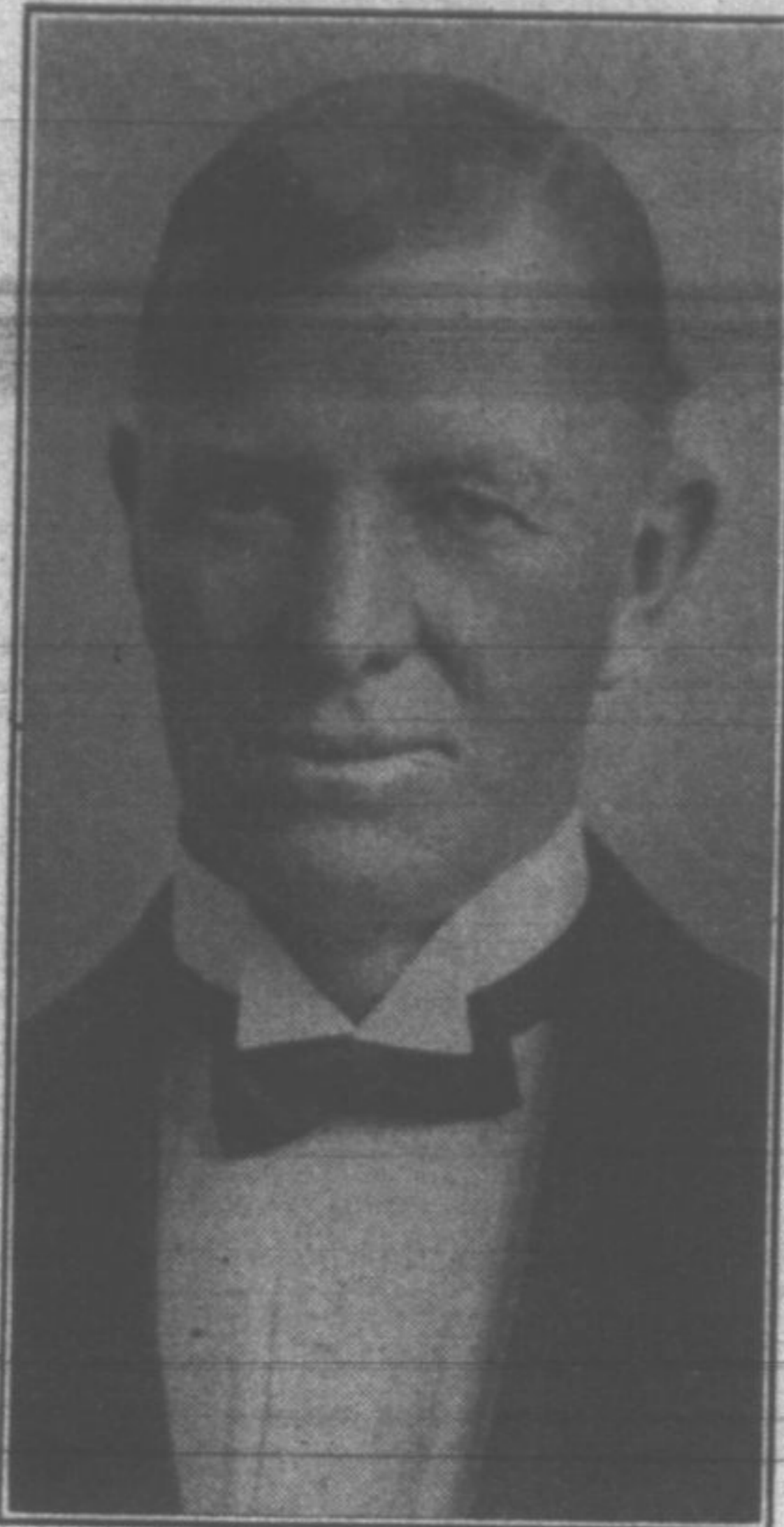


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WITTEN INSTALLED AS RULER OF ELKS

New Officers Take Seats; Brief History of Local Lodge; Its Leaders

Highland Park Lodge No. 1362 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks was organized April 21, 1919, with seventy-two members in Witten's hall, 360 Central avenue, Highland Park.

John O'Keefe was the first Exalted Ruler and served in that capacity for two years. The following two years the destinies of the lodge were presided over by Ansel E. Smith. He in turn was succeeded by Howard Moran, who in April 1924 turned the lodge over to John E. Conrad with five hundred and fifty-one members. During Mr. Moran's term the church property at McGovern street and Laurel avenue was acquired by the lodge, and the following year it was improved and the lodge took possession and have been holding their meetings there ever since. In passing it might be well to state that the audit that year showed assets of nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000.00).

Other Exalted Rulers

Clifford Moran was elected Exalted Ruler in April, 1925, and was succeeded by Fred Gallagher the following year. J. P. O'Connell presided during 1927 and was followed by the genial Wayne Hise, who by reason of his strict disciplinary attitude was often familiarly referred to as the man with many virtues.

Archie Abercrombie occupied the chair in 1929, and James Collins served in 1930, and gave way to William Witten who was unanimously chosen in the March election of officers to guide the lodge through the coming year. Mr. Witten is the acknowledged father of Highland Park lodge and there is probably no member of the fraternity in this district better known, and the members of his lodge are already showing a new and greater interest in the affairs of the lodge, and it is hoped that this will be a banner year for Highland Park lodge.

The installation of officers was held last Friday evening, William Frazer and his degree team from Blue Island lodge acting as the installing officers. This is the same team which was present at the institution of the lodge several years ago.

The officers installed were: William Witten, exalted ruler; William Desmond, leading lecturing knight; Carl Anderson, leading loyal knight; William Leuer, esteemed lecturing knight; William Becker, treasurer; Lloyd Larson, secretary; and trustees John O'Keefe, Fred Gallagher, Robert Greenslade, Sam Fell, and C. Van Arsdale.

Oak Terrace P. T. A. Holds Card Party

The annual card and bunco party of the Oak Terrace Parent-Teacher association will be held at the school on Friday, April 24, at 8 p. m. Prizes will be awarded for bridge, five hundred and bunco. The public is cordially invited.

Kite Flying Tournament Is Colorful Event Here Last Saturday; Features

Orange kites, blue kites, red ones and green ones, and as many motley-colored ones as there are colors for kite papers! Great, sturdy-looking kites along with the smaller, more delicate and artistic kind of the novelty classes, all took part in the kite-flying tournament held in Sunset park on Saturday, April 11.

Then, as the sun rose higher in the bright blue sky, Sam Tegurg of the West Ridge school's kite finally reached a higher altitude than that of any other to win first place in that division. To keep the ground end of a kite string where it belongs and still control the kite above, is a man-sized job on such a windy day as we had last Saturday. Fred Hodgden accomplished this and was awarded first place for flying the kite with the most pulling power. Fred attends the Elm Place school.

Clark Wright, from the Lincoln school, flying a large green, blue, red, and white kite modelled like a sail-boat, took the first prize for the most novel kite. Percy Tryer, of Ravinia, flew the most artistic kite, and Bobby Lundin, also from Ravinia, and Roy Nelson, of the Oak Terrace school, were given prizes for the best kite workmanship.

At the close of the grammar school contest, a special demonstration in kite-flying took place. Paper balloons of various fantastic sizes and shapes, as well as the medal kites were flown.

This kite contest, sponsored by the Community Service of Highland Park prepares the way for the model aircraft contests which are to be held early in the summer.

The American Legion auxiliary met last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. F. J. Ronan on Park avenue.