

CHURCH IN FIELD FOR CONGRESSMAN

First to Announce Candidacy in New 13th Dist., Including Lake Co.

Immediately upon the passage of the Congressional Reapportionment Bill in the Legislature, Representative Ralph E. Church of Evanston announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for Congress from the new Thirteenth District, which is comprised of all of Cook county north of North avenue (outside of Chicago) and all of Lake county. Mr. Church, who introduced the resolution in the House calling for this much-needed reapportionment, is credited with excellent work in preparing the bill and securing its passage.

In Legislature 16 Years

Ralph E. Church, a Chicago lawyer for 22 years, has been State Representative from Evanston for 16 years. Elected first in 1916 without factional support, he has been reelected at all successive elections with always increasing majorities. In 1930 he received the largest vote cast in all Illinois for the office of State Representative. He has served with distinction on the Judiciary, Revenue and other important Committees of the House, and has been chairman of the Election committee and the Committee on Judicial Department and Practice. His record for personal integrity, political independence and efficient public service has been endorsed by prominent lawyers and other citizens in a personal letter sent during each campaign to the voters. This record has also been consistently praised by many civic organizations, including the Legislative Voters league and the Civic Federation of Chicago.

Connections

Mr. Church, born on a farm at Catlin, Vermillion county, Illinois, earned his way through the University of Michigan and Northwestern Law school. He is a trustee of the National College of Education and a member of the American Legion, American, Illinois and Chicago Bar



Ralph E. Church

Ralph E. Church of Evanston, state legislator 16 years, has announced himself a candidate for congressman in the new Thirteenth Congressional district, which includes Lake county.

associations, Masonic, Loyal Order of Moose, Phi Kappa Psi and Delta Chi fraternities, Union league, Hamilton, Kiwanis, Executives, Lake Shore Athletic, Chicago Press and Evanston university clubs.

Civic and business leaders of the new district, as well as all those familiar with the strenuous fight that Ralph Church has always waged at Springfield against graft, waste and resultant high taxes and rents, and in favor of constructive, business-like legislation, are convinced that the established legislative experience and business ability of the Evanston legislator make him an outstanding candidate.

Fire Plugs Being Painted Around City

The Highland Park water department are busy painting all the fire plugs a bright red.

This not only preserves the plugs, but they are easily seen by the fire department, etc.

Garden Party and Craft Exhibit Sunday, Aug. 2

At a garden party, antique and craft exhibition and musicale which is to be held on Sunday afternoon, August 2, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ross J. Beatty, 260 Ravine drive, Highland Park, the musical program will be given by Mrs. Paul Hippensteel and Mrs. Ethel Seidel Hippensteel, violin, flute and piano, and Miss Hilda Burke of the Chicago Civic Opera company.

This will be a rare opportunity to hear such outstanding artists, also to enjoy the fine gardens of Mr. and Mrs. Beatty.

Anyone desiring further information in regard to the affair may receive it by phoning Mrs. Beatty.

Among those who will assist Mr. and Mrs. Ross J. Beatty at the garden party and musicale which is to be given at their home on Sunday afternoon, August 2 will be: Col. and Mrs. George T. Buckingham, Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Teter of Knollwood, Mr. and Mrs. Van Wagenen Alling, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fletcher Seymour, Admiral and Mrs. Walter S. Crosley and Mr. and Mrs. Gaar Williams.

Among the interesting objects sent for the craft and antique exhibition are a number of articles of wearing apparel such as hats representing various periods in the style history of Indiana, also a number of interesting old gowns—among them one which was worn at the inaugural reception in honor of Gen. Grant in Washington; some of the original land grants made to the Indians; early manuscripts, some of the very first lamps used; a complete set of samplers and a number of interesting coverlets which have been loaned by the Colonial Coverlet Guild of America.

The party is in the nature of a benefit for the gallery rental fund of the Hoosier Salon Patrons association.

It may also interest the residents of Highland Park to know that Mr. George Ade in writing a personal note to Mrs. Beatty congratulating her on the idea of the party and wishing it success states: "I am always interested to get a message from Highland Park because I was a member of the Old Exmoor and during the summer of 1903 lived in the Shoemaker house at the east end of Laurel avenue right near the lake. While I was there I wrote all of the play called "The County Chairman." It turned out to be a play which pleased a considerable portion of the public and made some money for me. While writing it I had a very delightful time and became acquainted with many interesting people so I shall always give Highland Park a very high rating."

Bible Teacher At Lake Forest Friday

A noted bible teacher, Mrs. J. C. O'Hair of North Chicago, will be at the Lake Forest Gospel mission, held in the Presbyterian church, Deerpath and Sheridan road, tomorrow evening, Friday, at 8 o'clock. All are welcome.

ASSESSOR'S WORK NEARS COMPLETION

Difficult and Exacting Job of Property Revaluation in Township Ending

The long and exacting job of revaluing all property in Deerfield township will be completed in about two weeks and the books then will be turned over to the county, according to Assessor Martin Ringdahl.

Although it is impossible to determine exact results of the reassessment until the books have been completed, it is estimated that valuations will show a decrease, estimated as high as \$1,000,000.

In this event the percentage of actual value for assessment purposes will be raised, it is understood. Present rate of 16 2-3 per cent may be boosted as high as 20 per cent to meet needs of the school and government systems.

Territory Covered

The district included in the revaluation includes Highland Park, except that portion in West Deerfield township, Highwood, and the south end of Lake Forest.

Should the rate be raised, it would still be lower than Cook county, which is 37 per cent, Mr. Ringdahl pointed out.

Agitation for complete revaluation on the occasion of the quadrennial reassessment was brought by inadequacy of school funds.

Last year a drive was conducted to raise an additional \$15,000 a year to support Elm Place school. It was conceded that unless financial relief was obtained, school activities would soon have to be curtailed.

Began Early

Work of revaluation, started last fall, was carried on through its early stages by Mr. Ringdahl and Frank Laing, assistant assessor. All of the property valuations were made by the same men, assuring uniformity throughout the city.

An early start was made possible by making a complete copy of the assessor's books before they were turned over to the county clerk last year.

Present assessed valuation of Highland Park is \$17,078,506, and of the entire township, \$19,348,403, according to figures of the county clerk.

Lecture on Opera Saturday Morning

Carleton Smith of the University of Chicago will give his lecture on the opera, "Peter Ibbetson," on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Arthur Byfield of 843 S. Linden avenue.

Mr. Smith will illustrate the music of Deams Taylor's opera and point out the atmospheric background for the drama, as well as tell the interesting details concerning the Premiere last February.

The lecture is open to all women of Highland Park and the north shore, who are interested in the operas.



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