

PROPERTY VALUATION IS INCREASED HERE

Boosted \$776,700 Over Previous Figures, Board of Review Report States

In the revaluation of the property in Deerfield township, including Highland Park, there was an increase of \$776,700 over last year, according to the records on file with the board of review. Deerfield last year had a total valuation of \$20,116,564, of which Highland Park had \$17,078,506. The general increase in property improvements in the township was a large factor in bringing about the apparent rise in the valuation as well as an increase in figuring the percentage of the full value of property.

During the past four years, the property valuations were based on 16 2/3 per cent of the full value. This year the percentage was raised to 20. The increase in the percentage of the full value for this year and which will remain until the next revaluation in 1935, was due largely to demands for more school funds. The schools at present get the tax limit permitted by law. The only way their funds can be increased is by a boost in the valuation.

Assessor Martin Ringdahl and his assistants completed their assessment valuations of Deerfield several weeks ago and all the town books have been on file with the board of review for nearly two weeks. The time limit for receiving complaints from Highland Park and the other sections of Deerfield township has expired according to members of the board of review.

Sears-Roebuck Store Here to Be Enlarged Add New Departments

Sears, Roebuck and Co., will increase substantially the size of its Highland Park retail store, E. P. Brooks, manager of the company's retail district under which the local store operates, announced this week.

More space in the building occupied by the store was leased from George B. and William H. McKillip, executors of the Matthew H. McKillip estate which owns the property. The addition is about half the size of the store as it is now constituted.

The new frontage will be about 44 feet; the depth will remain at about 70 feet, including the free automobile tire and battery servicing station maintained for customers at the rear.

The additional space will make possible the carrying of several additional lines of merchandise including kitchen utensils, electric appliances and equipment, hardware and sporting goods. The stock of the store up to the present has consisted chiefly of automobile tires, tubes and accessories, radios and batteries which will continue to be important items in the store's stock.

"Naturally, this increase in the facilities of our store was made possible by the gratifying acceptance it has won in Highland Park," said D. M. Bryant, store manager. "For their approval and support of our efforts to serve them, we are grateful to the people of Highland Park. We hope, with more lines and better accommodations to give them an even better store in the future."

Playground Children Enjoy Trip to Circus Thursday of Last Week

Last Thursday afternoon 75 children of the Park board playgrounds were taken to the circus at Grant park, in Chicago. If one were to walk around to any playground today he would probably find some children still trying to imitate some of the stunts they saw the clowns do or attempting a difficult tumbling feat, or perhaps still eating that third box of cracker-jack.

The crowd left on a two-car special on the North Shore Line at noon. They were a peppy bunch when they left, but trying to watch too many things at the same time had the effect of making them much quieter on the return trip. The attractions that contained special interest at the Ringling Brothers Barnum and Bailey affair were, of course, the acrobats, the clowns, the animals, and the grand feature of the show, Hugo Zacchini, the human projectile, who was hurled from a huge cannon clear across the tent into a net. The children are still trying to figure out how Zacchini kept from being killed.

Mr. Eubanks of the North Shore Line is to be thanked for making arrangements for transportation. Those who accompanied the children were Miss Cancie, Miss Flinn, Miss Keaster, Miss Salo, Miss Daly, Miss Tuma, Tillie Martin, Mr. Copp, and Fred Silber.

Countryside Course Is Popular Among Golfers

Out at Countryside Golf club, in the Lake county rural district beyond Mundelein, Golf Professional William Kelly formerly of Sunset Valley, is making a big success and under his management the course is each year becoming more popular. Recently a Ladies Day every Thursday was instituted, and this feature promises to be one of the most popular in the club's program. The course is beautifully situated on a rolling terrain that affords splendid possibilities for a sporty course, and in designing it every possible advantage was taken of the natural beauties and adaptability for golf, so that the best results were obtained, and the course is one of the most interesting fee courses in the county, golf fans declare.

Library Closed Friday Saturday; Open in New Building Next Monday

The Highland Park public library will be closed Friday and Saturday of this week during removal to the new building. Books may be returned to the old library on those days, but none will be issued until Monday, when the new building will open at 9 a.m.

Highwood Chief and Opera Star Crash Here

Cars driven by Chief Emil Lauridson of Highwood, and Desire Defrere, Lincolnwood road, Highland Park, crashed on Green Bay road in Lake Forest at 8 o'clock Sunday night, Lake Forest police investigating. The autos were badly damaged.

Evangelical Church in Annual Camp Meeting at Barrington, for 10 Days

The 58th annual camp meeting of the Evangelical church, of the Chicago area, will open this year's encampment on Friday evening of this week at the Barrington park. A program of unusual interest has been planned for the 10 day period. Leaders of outstanding ability have been engaged to direct the work of children, young people and adults. Rev. and Mrs. Earl Bruso of Deerfield will supervise all of the activities for the children. Mr. B. L. Schultz with the aid of six others will be responsible for the work among the young people. Dr. E. N. Himmel of the Educational department of North Central college at Naperville, Illinois will have charge of the daily Bible studies and evangelistic services during the first week. Dr. E. W. Praetorius, director of the Religious Education of the Evangelical church, of Cleveland, Ohio, will present the Bible studies and have charge of the evangelistic services during the second week. Mr. Charles H. Wieand of Aurora, will direct the singing and special music during the entire encampment. About 10 other prominent ministers will appear on the program from time to time.

The Evangelical church maintains four other similar camps in Illinois. One at Oakdale, Freeport, another at Naperville, the other two at Bonfield and Groveland. The Barrington camp chiefly serves the evangelical constituency of the Chicago area. A number of Highland Park people make it a point each year to live on the grounds during the entire 10 day period. The Bethany church maintains a cottage of its own, which is for the use of her members and friends. A large number of people from this vicinity will frequently visit the camp, especially for the evening and Sunday services. The Bethany church will dismiss its morning and evening preaching services for the next two Sundays, so that all of its members and friends will have opportunity to participate in the good things at Barrington. The public of Highland Park and vicinity have a cordial invitation to attend any or all of these helpful services at the camp.

Ruffner's Second Daughter, Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. William Rogers Ruffner of Ruffwood, announce the engagement of their daughter Virginia Underwood Ruffner, to C. Badger Reed, son of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm H. Reed of Pemberton Heights, Austin, Tex.

Miss Ruffner made her debut in September of 1929 at a joint garden party given by the Ruffners for her and her sister Miss Marianna Ruffner. She was graduated from Mrs. Down's school at Briarcliff Manor, N. Y. Mr. Reed attended the University of the South at Sewanee, Tenn., and the University of Texas. He was a member of the first University World Cruise 1926-27.

Miss Virginia returned from Texas Monday after a month's visit with her fiancée's sister, Miss Peggy Reed, who was her schoolmate at Briarcliff.

NEWS FLASHES FROM CITY PLAYGROUNDS

Interesting Activities at the Several Centers; Activities Numerous

Joyce Slack, one of Sunset's star dancers, presented a special number dance last week. She sang and danced "Beneath Four Windows Tonight." The dance was a tap-specialty, with tumbling stunts in it. Louise Miller sang "Walkin' My Baby Back Home" on the same program.

Present Two Plays

The children of Ravinia playground presented two plays in Rogers Williams park last Wednesday evening. The plays, "Rendezvous" and "The Lonely Scarecrow," will be repeated at the Thursday afternoon performance at the Ravinia opera a week from this Thursday, August 27.

Total Registration

The total registration and enrollment for the playground season now exceeds 1200. The figure this year is 400 over last year's total, and far exceeds any other year.

Interesting Ball Game

Last Wednesday Sunset and Lincoln played one of the series of baseball games that has made the season interesting. Lincoln has been defeating Sunset regularly, but this time the table turned, and Sunset came out on top by virtue of a 20-12 score. Harmon, Harvey, Gunkel, and Croke turned in many of the hits for Sunset, while Carr, Plant, and Rollery waved the big stick for Lincoln.

Lincoln Juniors Win

The Lincoln juniors defeated the Sunset midgets on August 7, 6-5, and the two teams have not played since then. Since this is the last week of playground activity, it is doubtful if they will meet again this season.

Andrew G. Erickson Dies; Resident Here 44 Years and Well Known Builder

Andrew G. Erickson, well known resident of Highland Park for 44 years, died Wednesday morning of this week. He was born in Enberg, Sweden, May 29, 1866. During his long residence in Highland Park he was throughout identified with the building trades here and was an organizer and charter member of Local 46, Carpenters and Joiners of America. He had many warm friends who learned of his death with keen regret, and their sympathy is extended to the bereaved relatives.

Mr. Erickson is survived by his widow, Margaret T. Erickson, two sons, Earl A. of Highland Park, and John T. of Half Day, and a daughter, Mrs. John C. Kram of Lamon avenue, Chicago. There are four grandchildren—Gerald Kram, Andrew F. Paddy J. and Phyllis Mary Erickson.

The funeral service will be held at the family residence on Central avenue at 10 o'clock Friday morning, and burial will be in St. Mary's cemetery.

The Rev. and Mrs. Armin Vizer of Northbrook are being congratulated on the birth of a son, born on Monday, August 17 at the Highland Park hospital.