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## Janssen To Close Concert Season At Ravinia Park

With the close of the summer concert season at Ravinia Park close at hand, the Festival Association may well look with pride on their accomplishment. The North Shore has responded wonderfully to the lure of the pleasant surroundings of Ravinia Park, murmurous with the voices of happy memories of the Ravinia Opera company, now replaced by the beauty of symphonic music played by our great Chicago Symphony Orchestra under uniformly able conductors. Full houses have been the rule, and stances and comfortable groups ensconced on the lawns have run into the thousands.

The genial Swiss conductor, Ernest Ansermet, who opened the season on July 3rd, returned again to conduct a single concert to the satisfaction of his many quickly acquired friends. Mr. Lange and Mr. Van Hoogstraten departed leaving hosts of admirers, and a varied and brilliant fourth week resulted from the concerts directed by Van Grove, George Gershwin and Henry Weber. The advent of soloists was greeted joyously by the Ravinia audiences. Armand Tokatyan, tenor, who formerly sang with the Ravinia Opera, was warmly welcomed, as were Tomford Harris, Chicago pianist; George Gershwin tripling on his all-Gershwin program as pianist-composer-conductor, Joseph Vito, virtuoso harpist of the Chicago Symphony orchestra, and lovely Marion Claire, lyric soprano for the operatic and light opera stage.

A fifth week of musical treats still awaits Ravinia's eager patrons, in the arrival of Werner Janssen, precocious young American conductor, whose musical activities have led him so curiously afield. A review of his musical life shows a superimposed jazz strata over the symphonic base which has controlled his destiny. From dance hall to Tri-Pan Alley, through vaudeville — where he played the piano accompaniments for Will Rogers' rope act, to Romy's in N. Y., to NBC in Cleveland where he was a free lance musical commentator via his orchestra in the air, composing impressions of everything from a fire to a church wedding, and where he composed his first symphonic work "New Year's Eve in New York," which won him the coveted Prix de Rome and assured him three years of intensive study — he careered amazingly on his way. In Rome he conducted a concert of the Royal Symphony orchestra of Rome, broadcast over Europe. The result was a flood of invitations to conduct in all parts of Europe, where young Janssen blazed a trail of encumbrances which reached a climax in Helsinki, where he was acclaimed as the Sibelius interpreter par excellence by the composer himself. This success brought an immediate invitation to conduct the New York Philharmonic in New York, and Janssen had completed the transition from Jazz to Symphony.

His appearances in Ravinia will be his first in this region. He will conduct the concerts of Thursday and Friday nights and Sunday afternoon. The Saturday night concert has been reserved for a return appearance of Hans Lange, who made such an excellent impression for his conducting the second week of the season. Mr. Willoughby Walling, (Continued on page 8)

## E. W. Ankrum Dies Suddenly Tuesday

Elwood W. Ankrum, 51 years old, of 806 E. Green Bay road, died suddenly Tuesday at his home. Funeral service will be held Thursday afternoon (today) at two o'clock at Memorial Park chapel with interment in Memorial Park.

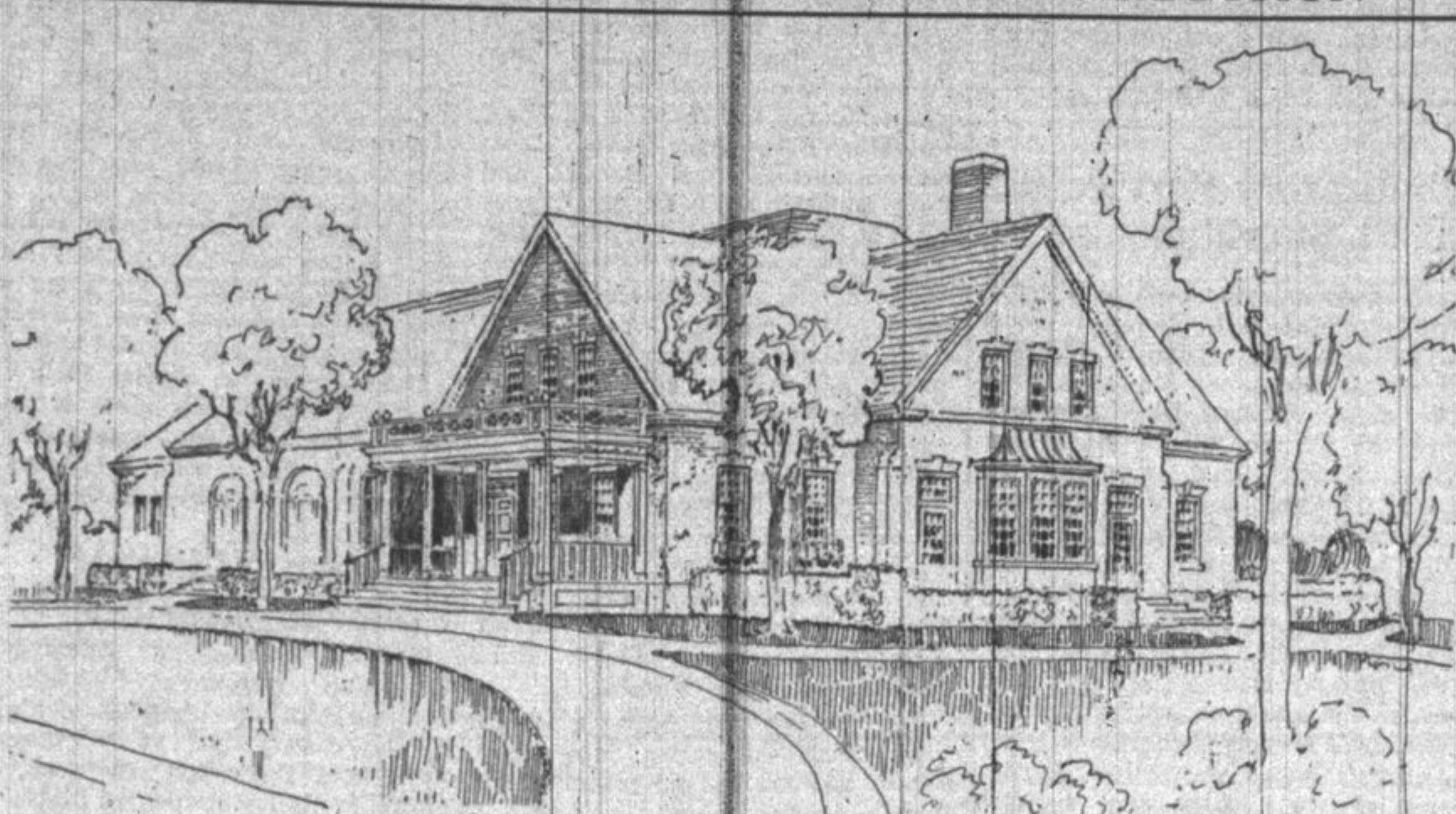
Mr. Ankrum was the founder of the Ankrum Advertising agency in Chicago. He was a member of the Chicago Athletic club, Equity Lodge No. 878 A. F. and A. M., and Medinah Temple. He is survived by his wife, Amy, and a son, Paul.

## Miss Bentley's Pupils Appear in Recital

The summer pupils of Berenice B. Bentley gave a recital in Miss Bentley's studio on Woodland road, Wednesday afternoon, July 29 at 2:30 o'clock.

Those who appeared on the program were Carol and Frances Grimes, Peter Bigler, Marilyn Cahn, Cynthia Baldwin, and Margaret Hitchcock of Highland Park, and Marilyn Crane of Cambridge, Mass.

## HIGHLAND PARK WOMAN'S CLUB NEW ADDITION



The above picture shows the club house at the southeast corner of Elm Place and Sheridan Road as it will appear when completed. The new addition which will adjoin the auditorium unit erected several years ago will contain a lounge, entrance lobby, office, etc. The building will be of red brick with wood trim. Work on the structure which will cost \$3,000 will start early in the fall. Holmes and Flinn are architects.

## Accept 17 Cent Levy for Poor Relief at Town Meeting

At an adjourned meeting of Deerfield Township held Monday evening, a levy of 17 cents on each \$100 valuation for poor relief was voted and accepted. Supervisor W. W. Steele, presided at the meeting which was attended by about fifty residents. The levy will result in about \$27,000 of which approximately 80 per cent will be collected. This amount \$21,608, will be added to the \$35,000 now in the poor fund to care for the families on the relief rolls.

For years it was an understood fact that each town would look after its poor, and each year an appropriation was set aside to provide for this. Up to the year of 1929 the amount was very nominal, due to the fact that the majority of families were self-sustaining. During the period 1929 to 1935, conditions became appalling and the tax rate varied from twenty four cents on \$100 valuation to about thirty cents on \$100 valuation.

In 1935 a new legislation took over the jurisdiction of the Poor relief and in Illinois this new branch was known as the L.E.R.C. (Illinois Emergency Relief Commission). This was conducted until July 1 of this year, when the care of the poor and indigent reverted back to the town.

## F. Lyndon Smith to Speak Friday at Democratic Meet

On Friday evening, July 31, at 7 p.m., a dinner will be held at the Waukegan Hotel. The two principal speakers will be F. Lyndon Smith, who was the general manager of Gov. Henry Horner's primary campaign and present downstate Democratic manager; and John Stelle state treasurer and the Democratic nominee for lieutenant-governor, who was active for Herman N. Bundeson in the primary campaign and who is now actively supporting Horner for re-election.

All Democratic men and women are invited to attend and are urged to make their reservations through Democratic headquarters in the Waukegan hotel.

## St. James Club to Have "Splash Party"

St. James Young People's Club is planning a "splash party" at the Bon Air Country Club, Tuesday, August 4.

Chairman Dick Martin says, "This is not a couple affair, but is open to anyone interested in swimming." The party will leave in the afternoon for golf followed by swimming. In the evening there will be dinner and dancing.

Any further information regarding the affair may be procured from Dick Martin, chairman, H. P. 3531, or co-chairman, Mary Elizabeth O'Connell, H. P. 2370. Reservations may be left with either of the above not later than Sunday.

## Building Inspector Enjoys Vacation

Mr. Sidney D. Morris, local building inspector, accompanied by his family, are enjoying a two weeks vacation at Battle Creek, Mich.

## Award Contract for Central Ave. Paving

At a special meeting of the Board of Local Improvements of the City of Highland Park, last Thursday afternoon, Highways Construction company of this city was awarded the contract for the paving of Central avenue, between Green Bay road and Sunset road. This company submitted the lowest bid of the four companies submitting bids.

The original estimate on this work was \$55,000 and was divided between construction and material, \$50,000 and \$5,000 respectively. Highways Construction company's bid was \$47,995.70. Contracts covering this construction will be signed in ten days.

This improvement has been greatly needed for several years as this is the main road leading into Highland Park from the west. The stretch between Sunset road and the business section was narrow and rough, causing at times considerable congestion. It is hoped that the work will begin as soon as possible, so that the road will be opened at the earliest convenience.

## Sunset Valley Course Shows Big Increase

The Sunset Valley Golf course reports an increase in attendance of more than 2,600 so far this season over that of the same period of time last year.

Forty-four people played in the regular weekly matches last Sunday. Those scoring honors were: Mrs. Rosenthal and Bud Bauler with a gross score of 88 came first, with Bob Rosenthal and his daughter Nancy, running a close second with a gross score of 88. The first blind bogey was won by Miss McMunn and Art Cook with a 76. Fred Norton and partner won the second.

The house committee is planning a costume party for Sunday, Aug. 9. Prizes will be given the best dressed man as well as the best dressed lady. There will also be prizes for the best golf scores.

## Stupey Smith Post Elects New Officers

At election of officers of Stupey-Smith Post of the American Legion, held Tuesday evening in the City Hall, Highwood, the following were chosen to serve the Highwood Post for the ensuing year:

R. Clyde Cameron, commander; John DeSmith, Senior vice commander; John Covetti, Junior vice commander; Lawrence E. Tomblin, finance officer; Floyd (Tiny) Peterson, Chaplain; Fred Lund, trustee; Frank Santi, sergeant at arms.

Paul A. Blum, retiring commander, reports a most successful year. The installation of officers will be held Tuesday, Aug. 10. Second Division Commander, Henry Foval, of Lake Bluff, will act as installing officer. All members are invited to attend this meeting.

## "The Sheridan Shop" to Open Saturday

A new men's wear shop to be known as "The Sheridan Shop" is to open Saturday in the North Shore Trust building at the corner of Central avenue and Sheridan road. A complete line of nationally advertised men's furnishings will be carried. An invitation is extended the public to attend the opening. See advertisement on page 4 of this paper.

## Dumaresq Spencer Post Elects; Will Install August 13

Dumaresq Spencer Post of the American Legion of Highland Park held their annual election of officers last Thursday evening at the Legion rooms in the Masonic temple.

The following were chosen as officers for the coming year: Miller W. Schreiner, commander; William Heinrichs, senior vice commander; Paul Webb Jr., junior vice commander; Saylor Shanafelt, sergeant-at-arms; Wilson Richardson, trustee.

The installation of officers will be held Thursday, August 13, in an open meeting of the Legion members and members of the Legion Auxiliary. Joe Novotny, past state vice-commander, will install.

The retiring Commander, Edwin Gilroy, should be commended for the successful year which the local post has just completed.

## Robert Taylor Film at Alcyon Theatre

The film production, "Boulder Dam," which colorfully exploits the exciting incidents connected with the construction of the mighty power project comes to the Alcyon on Friday and Saturday of this week. Patricia Ellis, Ross Alexander, and Lyle Talbot have the leading roles. The picture is crammed with dynamic drama, daredevil action, heroic deeds and thrilling incidents in addition to its romance. Miss Ellis also adds a colorful touch to the picture by singing two songs that were especially written for the production.

What chance has love between a millionaire's son and a personal maid? That's the romantic question propounded in the new film hit, "Private Number," showing at the Alcyon on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Robert Taylor and Loretta Young are starred together for the first time as a screen love-team. Filled with youthful love-making, gay romancing and vivid drama, highlighted with hilarious comedy by the irrepressible Patsy Kelly, "Private Number" is certain to please all. Mr. Taylor and Miss Young are said to reach a new top in romance before the picture concludes with a thrilling climax.

With Warner Baxter contributing the finest performance of his career, "Robin Hood of El Dorado" will take its place among the truly magnificent outdoor features of the talking screen. Produced on a spectacular scale, it is a romanticized slice of one of the most glamorous periods of America's frontier history. The story of Joaquin Murrieta, played by Mr. Baxter, is the story of one of the California Spaniards who was broken under the iron heel of American invasion on the heels of the discovery of gold. Painted with bold strokes on a romantic canvas, it affords opportunity to present a drama of glamour that is vital entertainment. The picture is definitely one of the new season's finest offerings and is recommended without reservation. An Alcyon presentation for Wednesday and Thursday of next week.

## Highland Park C of C Plans Golf Tourney

The Highland Park Chamber of Commerce has suspended meetings during the months of July and August. Plans are being formulated for a golf tournament to be held Wednesday, August 19. Complete details will appear in the next issue of The Press.

## Contracts for Renovation Of Old School Awarded

Albert Olson Given General Contract for Repairs at Elm Place School

## Noted Criminal Lawyer to Speak at Lions Club

Joseph T. Harrington, noted criminal lawyer and Republican, will address the Lions Club at its regular Thursday evening luncheon July 30 at the Green Bay Hotel.

His subject will be a narrative on the trial of some of his famous cases. Some of these were tied up very closely with politics and he will also discuss in connection therewith "The Democratic Machine in Chicago," and "The Permanent Registration Law."

In view of the record of acquittals obtained by Mr. Harrington, it seems that he will become another Clarence Darrow or William S. Forest. Some of his most recent cases were the so-called "T.N.T." case and the "Racket's Conspiracy" case. Both of the cases grew out of controversies that arose in connection with rival labor unions.

"T.N.T." was the sensational name that the Chicago newspapers dubbed the trucking and transport business, which, of course, connotes a high explosive, instead of trucking and transport. "The Racket's Conspiracy" case was one that involved the cleaning and dyeing business. The trial was very widely publicized in the newspapers, not only in Chicago, but throughout the country during the four months that it took to try the case. It was "front-paged" if not headlined during this time because of the very important people involved. Benjamin S. Green, professor of the University of Chicago, Aaron Shapiro, former New York lawyer, Councilman Oscar Nelson, now judge of the circuit court, and one Klein, president of the Laundrymen's association, were among the defendants charged with the conspiracy.

It was charged by the defense that certain depositions attributed to the defendants were in fact committed by the complainants themselves. Even Mayor Edward J. Kelly and State's Attorney Thomas Courtney were alleged to be interested in some of the rival unions. It was charged that in order to discredit and abolish certain unions that crimes were committed under circumstances that would reflect on the defendants, and that they were manufactured to implicate the defendants. The defense contended that these circumstances should be considered in reverse order, and that the crimes that were admittedly committed by some one should probably be placed on the feet of the complainants themselves. What ever were the true facts, the theory seems to have been sustained and the defendants were acquitted.

Mr. Harrington, in addition to being a famous lawyer, is a very aggressive Republican politician, and has worked enthusiastically against crooked political elections. He has been very active in obtaining the passage of the Permanent Registration Law.

Mr. Harrington is a member of the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, the Chicago Association of Commerce, and he is also a member of the Illinois, Chicago, and American bar associations.

## Public Invited to Lecture on Christian Science

A free lecture on Christian Science will be given Tuesday evening in Elm Place school auditorium at 8 p.m. by Rev. Randall Dunn. The public is cordially invited to attend this lecture given by First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Highland Park. Mr. Dunn is a member of the Board of Lecturership of the Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts.

## Dr. Sherwin Speaks at Rotary Meeting

At the regular luncheon meeting of the local Rotary club held Monday noon at the Green Bay Hotel, Dr. Lewis W. Sherwin, pastor of the Highland Park Presbyterian church, was the speaker. His subject was "Youth." Marshall Johnson was in charge of the program.

That work will start soon on the renovating of the Old Elm Place school building, which has not been used for several years, was assured Tuesday evening, when the Board of Education of District 107 awarded contracts for the work. General repair work has been awarded to Albert Olson, contractor, while the painting contract was let to Oscar Ahlberg. C. W. Johnson, Inc., was awarded the heating contract, and Chester Johnson was given the electric contract. Several bids were submitted and the lowest bidders were awarded the contracts.

Renovation of the old building will be completed as rapidly as possible, but this section will not be ready for the opening of the fall term. However it will be finished as soon as possible after the opening.

The contract calls for roofing and sheet metal work, exterior painting, heating and ventilating, electric work, and some miscellaneous items of carpentry and masonry. Holmes and Flinn are the architects.

No changes are to be made in the heating system, although plans are under way to connect the heating system of the three schools under one comprehensive unit. The heat in the old building is hot air or a blast system, in which air is brought in, heated and blown to the various rooms where a thermostat control regulates the temperature of each room. This assures a fine ventilating system as pure air at an even temperature is maintained at all times.

The first unit of the present building which is undergoing repairs was built in 1893 or 1894 and contained eight rooms. The northern section which contained six rooms and the gymnasium was built about fifteen years later. This entire building has not been used for several years, due to the lack of funds needed for repairs. The additional space is greatly needed as both the Green Bay Road school and the Elm Place school are crowded and a large enrollment is anticipated this fall.

## C.M.T.C. to Disband After 4 Weeks Period

The Citizens Military Training Corps of this region, will demobilize tomorrow, finishing a four week instruction period at Fort Sheridan. The first and probably the most colorful event of their final week at camp took place last Saturday. Major Applegram, the camp athletic instructor, conducted a track meet for the entertainment of the camp's visitors. Climaxing the day's activities was a parade in which more than 800 student soldiers took part. Before the four companies passed in review the salute cannon was fired and the colors were lowered while the band played the national anthem. This afforded an impressive sight for the onlookers numbering almost 2,000.

General Merrill and Major Cook (post executives) and their families watched the demonstration from the reviewing stand. It seemed quite remarkable that none of the men on the parade field, other than these reviewing officers, had had more than three weeks military training.

Awards for outstanding achievement were presented to those deserving, last Tuesday afternoon. Commendations were issued to the cadets officers having passed the necessary examinations and medals were distributed among the high ranking riflemen.

The entire C.M.T.C. unit left yesterday afternoon for an overnight hike. They will return sometime today and police camp in preparation of their departure tomorrow.

## 8th District Auxiliary Meeting Here Aug. 5

The Eighth District meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held in Highland Park next Wednesday (Aug. 5). Mrs. Frank J. Ronan is in charge of entertainment and Mrs. Flora Werner will have charge of refreshments. Quarterly reports from all the auxiliaries in this district will be given at this meeting.

The state convention will be held in Danville, August 23-24-25. Delegates from the local auxiliary will be Mrs. P. E. Cole and Mrs. Shaver Shanafelt with Mrs. David Johnson and Mrs. William Bowden as alternates.

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