Tax Collections in County Show Slight Increase This Year

With tax payments so far this year showing a slight increase over this time last year, County Treasurer Allen J. Nelson recently expressed the hope that taxing bodies this year would receive a greater share of their tax levies than in any year since the beginning of the depression in 1930.

The second installment on real estate taxes is due now and becomes delinquent on Sept. 1. With only two weeks before the delinquency starts, Treasurer Nelson is urging taxpayers to make their payments now so as to avoid the penalty that will be added to their bills

on Sept. 1.

The slight increase in payments so far, according to the records in the treasurer' office, has been due mainly to the payments of full tax bills by taxpayers who wanted to avoid the installment system. There was also a greater number of personal property tax bills paid this summer.

Tax extensions made on the 1936 property valuations in the county, including real and personal property, totalled \$4,510,179.75. These assessments, except the personal property bills, were divided into two installments. Personal property assessments were due in one lump

Real estate tax bill installments became due on May 1 and Aug. 1. The first installment became delinquent on July 1; the second must be paid by Sept. 1 to avoid the pen-

Of the \$4,984,736.77 in current taxes extended last year on 1935 property valuations, the total collection was 82 per cent.

While most of the property owners are keeping up their payments, the county is resorting to the courts to collect from the delinquent minority.

Foreclosure proceedings are in process against real estate owners who have neglected to pay their back taxes. In some instances, where real estate owners who have been delinquent for several years arranged for payment of their entire tax bills, compromises were made in the amount of penalties paid. The Lake county board of supervisors, however, has no power to waive penalties and costs on tax delinquencies, as has been suggested by some real estate owners.

Assistant State's Attorney Okel S. Fuqua, in charge of the tax collection department established by the supervisors, stated that under existing state revenue laws the supervisors have no authority to make any regulations with reference to the payment of taxes.

In the collection of back personal property taxes, the tax collection department has brought numerous proceedings in justice courts. In Waukegan township several hundred suits are in process now and are being started from time to time. To escape these litigations, delinquent personal property owners have already paid approximately \$25,000.

Judgments are being taken by the county against the delinquent personal property owners who fail to pay up. If the judgments are not meeting was held to pass a resolupaid within a reasonable time, the tion authorizing the paying of the county may seize property of the money for the Central avenue ditch, delinquents and dispose of the prop- which is now completed. Culverts erty to satisfy the amount of the and approaches to the property adjudgment, which includes the tax delinquency and court costs.

Super-Highways **Should Have Lines** for Traffic Lanes

"Keep to the right, except when passing other cars" is a highway traffic law in Illinois. Most other states have a similar law and it is an excellent rule, say the Illinois Automobile club. On 2-lane streets and highways, with one lahe of traffic going each way, this is not difficult. But on super-highways and city boulevards, where there are two or more lanes of traffic going in the same direction, few motorists obey this law.

"Painting lines on the pavement, creating lanes within which vehicles must be driven, is not only within the legal power of traffic au-

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thorities but is imperative if there is to be full and proper use of the roadways," says Carl A. Barrett, to Open Friday P.M. president of the club. "Motor ve-

hicle traffic on city boulevards and on highways - even through the smaller municipalities-has become so heavy that the ingenuity of traffic engineers is taxed to provide suitable thoroughfares for safe and expeditious travel. When vehicles are allowed to ramble all over the road, blocking others and causing congestion, not only is vehicular movement seriously interferred with but safety is imperiled.

"Requiring motor vehicles to be kept within marked lanes greatly increases the capacity of the roadway, the speed of vehicles, the pleasure and comfort and safety of the people, and materially decreases the hazard of collision.

"Continuous painted lines on city boulevard pavements, properly marked for the information and guidance of motorists, are entirely within reason. On highways, in the rural districts, such lines should be laid down at all important intersections and at other strategic points. Enforcement of driving rules by the police would soon teach motorists to keep within these

marked lanes. "Along the roadways there frequently appears a sign reading: 'Slow vehicles use the right-hand lane'. This means that slow-moving vehicles shall keep close to the curb, leaving the center-of-the-road lane for fast-moving vehicles. But no effort is made to enforce this rule. The result, especially on city boulevards, is that slow-moving vehicles usurp the lane set apart for faster traffic. 'Rules of the Road' have been adopted, after long experience, for the safety and convenience of the public: they were meant to be observed."

Deerfield Licenses Games of Chance

The board of trustees of the village of Deerfield has decided to obtain some revenue from the pin ball games and other devices of similar nature which are being operated in the various local places of business. An ordinance was passed licensing these games at the August meeting of the village board and was published in a recent issue of The Press, at which all members of the board and the corporation counsel and village clerk were present. The tax levy for a period of one year, from May 1, 1937 to April 30, 1938, was also approved.

The plea of an out-of-town man to start a junk yard in the old Knaak Garage on Deerfield road was turned down. It would be necessary to obtain the consent of nearby property owners for such a prop-

Ralph Petersen, trustee, resigned as chairman of the license committee, also as chairman of the police and fire department committee. Mayor Christian M. Willman appointed William Hertel as chairman of the police and fire, and Marshall Pottenger, as chairman of the license committee.

On Friday evening a special jacent to the ditch will be put in by the state.

On Tuesday evening another special meeting was held for the purpose of discussing with McGuire and Orr, the examining of local assessment records.

Barrington Camp

The annual Barrington camp meeting will open this years encampment on Friday evening of this week at 7:45 p.m. Camp meetings have been held on the historic grounds of Barrington park since \$465,000 Alloted by 1873. Barrington park is located in the extreme south east area of Barrington, it consists of 15 acres for Needy Students of beautiful wooded land. It is owned and maintained by the Evarea for the exclusive purpose of stration to provide work aid to summer months. The grounds are the 1937-38 school term, William J with buildings used for the various nounced today. activities. Two tabernacles are used a fine hotel as well as 35 or more after school hours. cottages which are owned by private individuals.

quently heard over radio station receive aid, Mr. Campbell expalined. breeders, for introduction in 1938. WLS will be the guest speaker on Needy boys or girls seeking this asthe coming Sunday. Miss Lois sistance should apply directly to the Kramer, who recently returned from school heads, he said. Japan, will have many interesting facts to relate on Missionary work more than \$600,000," said Mr. and on the present Japan-China Campbell. "This larger sum was problem, she will speak on Tuesday required to provide assistance morning and afternoon. Bishop the flood and drought stricken areas. George Edward Epp will arrive Some 18,000 high school boys and Tuesday evening and will speak at girls were given employment last 10:30 each morning and at 7:45 year to assist them to continue in p.m. each day until the close of the school and while approximately that camp. About 25 other pastors of number will be aided during the most motorists ignore this sign, for the Chicago area will appear on the coming term, the amount of indiprogram from time to time. The vidual assistance may be reduced." at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 7:45 vided for high school students to

ming are the chief sources of recrestudy, and play has been planned for the young people and also for children. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend any or all of these services.

N.Y.A. to Illinois

Chicago has been allotted \$465, angelical churches of the Chicago | 000 by the National Youth Adminiholding religious services during the needy high school students during well equipped with conveniences and Campbell, state NYA director, an-

for worship services. The park also this aid are given a maximum of has a well equipped dormitory and \$6 per month for work performed

"Last year's student aid fund was

main services of each day take place ' Various types of work are prop.m. Tennis, Volleyball and swim- enable them to continue their edu-

cation, it was explained. Students A splendid program of are provided with part-time jobs in the arrival of killing frosts. It is in offices and libraries; they act as full view from trains on the Burclerks, and as assistants to teachers lington railroad lying below and in marking papers, laboratory and north of the tracks. Each variety research work.

fray necessary expenses such as gardens are open to the public withcar fare, lunches and clothes, the out charge and visitors are welstudent aid program makes it pos- comed. sible for students to gain work experience of socially desirable nature.

Floral Beauties Are on Display

A national beauty contest in the test gardens of Vaughan's Seed High school students receiving store, 1339 Reid street, Western Springs, Illinois.

Floral beauties from England, France, Italy, Germany and Japan Principals of high schools have are among the several hundred encharge of the program in their tries, along with the best new flow-Dr. John Holland, who is fre- schools and select the pupils who ers produced by American plant The contest is known as the All-America Trials, and is of international importance in the floral world.

All entries are grown in a series of test gardens located in every section of the United States. They are rated by expert judges at different stages of their growth, and judged for earliness, vigor and ability to resist the hot, dry midwestern summers, as well as for the size, color and beauty of their blooms.

The display will continue until is planted in a row, which is dis-Aside from providing funds to de- tinctly labeled. The Vaughan test

> Fun at the Carnvial on next Thursday, August 26, begins as early as 7 o'clock so that the youngsters may enjoy the Midway entertainment.

Fun, including pavement dancing, will last as late as 12 o'clock, at which flowers are the contenders is the Carnival given by the Mothers' giving daily public performances in club in the garden at 374 Laurel on Thursday, August 26.

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