

County Equipped for Emergencies with Radio System

"Crime does not pay." That four word sentence, first instilled on the minds of New York's growing generation by the police force, and now being brought over the ether waves in various radio programs, is today sound advice for Lake county and a warning to visitors from other communities bent on crime.

The sheriff's force and the police departments in Lake county may be undermanned, but they are more and more resorting to the use of the radio.

Every key village and city in Lake county, following installation of a set at Fox Lake, is today equipped with a law enforcement radio system. Three cities, Waukegan, Lake Forest and Highland Park each have their own radio patrol systems. Besides these home patrols, the police departments have a hookup with Sheriff L. A. Doolittle's county radio.

Chief Deputy Sheriff Thomas E. Kennedy, recognizing the fact that criminals are using highpowered automobiles to get from one place to another, figured that the radio could be used to great advantage in giving proper police protection.

With the cooperation of public officials and police chiefs in various cities and villages, Chief Deputy Sheriff Kennedy paved the way for the installation of radio systems for law enforcement work.

The radio hookup of various police departments with the sheriff's radio has in the past two years been responsible for the apprehension of a number of notorious characters. Traffic accidents have been reduced considerably, stolen automobiles recovered and farm thefts cut down.

Police departments now wonder how they ever carried on their law enforcement work without the radio. A survey of the records of crime prevention shows that since the radio system has been installed, practically every crime of any consequence has been solved, while there are still many cases of pre-radio days on the books.

Lake county now has a radio net, shaped like a spider's web. Waukegan, Lake Forest and Highland Park police departments with their own radio systems rebroadcast alarms and other information coming from the sheriff's radio. Squads in Waukegan, Lake Forest and Highland Park guard the highways in their communities, while at the same time the sheriff's squads, North Chicago, Highwood, Lake Bluff, Zion, Libertyville, Mundelein, Deerfield and Fox Lake police join the hunt.

Chief of Police Louis Erec of Fox Lake today reported that the radio receiving set, hooked up with the sheriff's radio system, has been installed and is now in operation for the protection of the Fox Lake area.

By an arrangement worked out by Chief Deputy Kennedy, with the cooperation of the police chiefs in the county, the law enforcement departments in Kenosha, Racine and Milwaukee and the Chicago police, Cook county highway police and the state highway police cooperate with the Lake county departments.

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Introduces a New Football Game in "American Boy"

In the early fall issues of The American Boy there'll be presented the story of a new game—six-man football—fast as professional football, wide open as basketball, thrilling as hockey!

The game came to life through the need of small schools for some substitute for 11-man football, which was too expensive. Stephen Epler, a Nebraska graduate student in athletics, developed the game of six-man football to meet this need. In six-man football anybody can score, the possibility of injury from mass plays is minimized, and the game is open enough for spectators to follow every exciting development.

The new game is a hit. New schools are taking it up every day. In coming issues The American Boy tells the world about this practical new game. In addition, it presents The American Boy Official Handbook, which can be obtained from the magazine at 20 cents a copy, or 15 cents when bought in bulk.

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Finish Repair Work on Milwaukee Ave.

Recent repair work on Rt. 54 (Milwaukee ave.) between Lake Villa and Antioch was finished late Thursday and opening of the newly paved extension of the Millburn-Loon Lake county highway engineers.

All that remains to complete the new strip of the Millburn-Loon Lake highway between Rt. 54 and Rt. 59 at the intersection of the Grass Lake rd. is the guard-rail and farm entrance work, Robert R. Lobdell, county superintendent of highways stated.

The improvement is about one-quarter mile north of the original county-line road and provides a direct link from Millburn to the Klondike section in Grass Lake. Pouring of the concrete was finished two weeks ago.

Opening of Rt. 54 completed repair work on the pavement from the intersection with Rt. 45 south of Grays Lake and the corporate limits of Antioch. It consisted mainly of tearing out crumbling cement which was resurfaced.

Young People Will Go on Moonlight Boat Cruise Aug. 31

A moonlight boat cruise will be held on Tuesday evening, Aug. 31, for the members and friends of the St. James Young People's club.

The boat cruise will be made on the S. S. Roosevelt, which will leave the Michigan avenue bridge at 9:30 p.m., returning at 12 o'clock. Dancing will be one of the features of the evening, and a good time is assured those who attend. Tickets should be purchased in advance from George Clark or Catherine Orlandi, or their assistants.

The club members will leave the St. James parish hall at 8 o'clock sharp. Everyone who can drive cars are asked to do so, and meet at the parish hall between 7:30 and 8:00.

New Materials for Building Projects Being Introduced

Startling new materials for home-building and vast housing projects, undertaken by private industry as well as by national governments, were described in a report received today from Robert B. Whitaker, vice-president of the National Association of Real Estate Boards, who is touring Europe with Herbert N. Nelson, secretary of the national group, as official representatives of the American real estate industry.

At the International Housing Conference in Paris, the Paris Exposition, the Dusseldorf National Fair, and in half a dozen European countries, Mr. Whitaker and Mr. Nelson have studied the latest developments in housing, so that they might bring back to American realtors and home-builders, first-hand information about housing progress abroad.

It is in England, France and Germany that the sharpest contrasts in housing ideas exist, according to Mr. Whitaker, who is also president of the R. B. Whitaker Company Winnetka and Kenosha, leading North Shore building and real estate firm.

"England," Mr. Whitaker states, "is carrying forward its great housing program with unchecked vigor and speed. This year will see another 300,000 new housing units erected. In proportion to population, this is building at about four times the American rate. About four-fifths of the 300,000 houses being built this year will be erected and sold entirely through private enterprise. Most of the home building is done by large companies with ample capital.

"The economies obtained from large scale operation seem very important. Lumber is bought by the ship-load. Some companies maintain their own brick yards and other fabricating plants. One builder with whom we visited, last year built and sold over 4,000 small homes and will this year exceed that number. We were impressed by the excellent modern homes which he is able to construct and sell at prices that are far below

our bare building costs. It would seem that there is much merit in large-scale private operation as a means of cost reduction in home building.

"In France," Mr. Whitaker continued, "they have a different idea. It was the opinion of all the different nations attending the International Housing Conference that in future planning of towns, 'satellite' towns should be built around big cities. England has two such 'garden cities' called Letchworth and Welwyn. Germany has some. In America we have several thousand but we just call them suburbs. European experts believe that American town planning has been better done in its fundamentals and is being carried forward more effectively than in the cities of Europe.

"Near Paris, we visited one of these French 'satellite' developments. It was built by the municipality, about 5 miles out and consists of 2,000 family units in large buildings of from four to nine stories. To see these high buildings out in the country fields was somewhat curious. It was explained to us that the Parisians have always lived in flats and preferred them.

"In Germany, where housing is also a government function, they have still another idea. At the Dusseldorf National Fair, which we visited in an official capacity, they have laid out a model village. Most of the houses are already being lived in so that one can see them under conditions of actual use. Twenty are kept open solely as exhibit houses. All are single-family dwellings, solidly built of brick, with full-basements in most cases, and with dark tile roofs. The exterior walls are painted in white or cream colors.

"Of especial interest in these houses are the new materials which are being developed as substitutes for metals. Phenol plastics are being used in scores of new forms. Plumbing pipes and fixtures made from these phenol plastics are impervious to acids, are water tight, durable and light, and look very attractive.

"Among other things noted," Mr. Whitaker's report concludes, "were plexigums which can be applied to wood, making it water- and fire-

proof; flexiglas, a pliable glass which can be bent or worked like soft metal and which therefore has many household uses; a new paint, beautiful in color, which is water and fireproof. New types of casement windows combining opening and sliding features, seem very practical. Glass wool is a favorite for wall insulation."

A man bought a parrot and tried to teach him to talk. Going over to the bird, he repeated for several minutes the words, "Hello, hello."

At the end of the lesson the parrot opened one eye and answered drowsily, "Line's busy." — Mutual Magazine.

S. C. Harris Leaves Estate of \$240,000

Siebel C. Harris, 48, of 2404 N. Deere Park dr., first vice president of the Chicago Board of Trade, left an estate estimated at \$240,000 to his wife and two sons, according to the will admitted to probate today by Judge Martin C. Decker. Mr. Harris died Friday, August 13, at Evanston.

The estate is comprised of \$200,000 personal property and \$40,000 real estate, according to the petition filed with Probate Clerk John R. Bullock. The Northern Trust company was named executor.

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