

This Week in Washington

By RALPH E. CRURCH Representative, 16th Congressional District Washington, D.C., June 15—The House is sending to the Senate a bill to amend the Social Security Act, after practically an entire week in debate on the bill itself and the problem of social security generally.

The Democratic Administration is to be given credit for recognizing certain defects and its willingness to sponsor perfecting amendments. In view of the unusually large Administration majority on the Ways and Means committee, which reported this perfecting bill, as well as in the House as a whole, it is a fair statement that these changes in the existing law, however desirable, would probably not be made without Administration sponsorship.

At the same time, however, due credit should be given to the Republican Minority in Congress for the part it has played in bringing about the improvements of the bill. The Minority always has a dual function in our system of government: to oppose and to propose. Without an effective Minority opposition our parliamentary procedure in obtaining good laws simply does not operate properly.

A few of the fundamental changes made by this particular bill in the present Social Security system are worthy of mention. The \$47 billion reserve fund to be established under the terms of the original act has been one of the major points of criticism by the Minority, and it has been repeatedly pointed out to the people that the fund was actually being used to finance the current expenditures of the government.

In lieu of the "reserve fund method" the Minority proposed the so-called "pay-as-you-go" plan, contending that such a plan would make the scheduled increase in the pay-roll taxes unnecessary, as well as making an actual reduction in the tax rate possible.

Thus the bill not only provides for the elimination of the "reserve fund" but also continues the 1% tax rate on employers and employees instead of 1 1/4% tax rate which would, under the old plan, automatically go into effect next year.

As a result of the postponement of the tax increase as long recommended by the Minority, it is estimated that employers and employees will save \$275 million annually. Such an annual saving in taxes will undoubtedly be a relief to business, suffering from tax deterrents to recovery, as well as to the employees.

And there is another fundamental change, which also represents the adoption of the Minority proposal. Under the existing law old-age pensions are paid by the States in whatever amount the individual State sees fit, but up to the amount of \$30 per person the Federal Government will pay one-half or \$15. In 1935, when the original Act was adopted, the Minority offered a motion to increase the Federal Government contribution to \$20 if the State provides a pension of \$40 or more. That motion was rejected but the amending bill this past week adopts it.

All in all, this perfecting Social Security Bill improves the system. The Democratic Administration is to be credited with sponsoring it and the Republican Minority for insisting that its proposals be adopted.

Prepare Ravinia Park for Fourth Season Opening on June 29

With Ravinia's fourth season of symphony opening on June 29, the beautiful wooded park was being prepared this week to form the perfect natural setting for the thrills of America's finest music festival.

The petunia has long been the symbol of Ravinia, and more than 300 plants are being placed in the great circular bed just outside the music pavilion.

Wax leaf begonia and canna are along the walks and in a place of honor just to the right of the studio building will bloom the rare tuberous root begonia from Holland.

Hedges are unclipped in Ravinia, so that they may attain completely unformal growth, adding their foliage to the great maples, lindens, ash, oak and elm and the bushy thorn trees.

Because the Ravinia paths must be virtually "crunch-proof," the finest white gravel—almost like sand, is carefully raked and spread along the walks.

When Sir Adrian Boult lifts his baton to conduct the Chicago Symphony Orchestra in the first concert of the new season, Ravinia music lovers once more will settle back to enjoy great music in a great garden.

Renalov P. Sherer, of Highland Park, a member of the Ravinia committee, is responsible for the preparation of the park.

And while the program committee prepares fine musical fare for the beautiful park which Mrs. Louis Eckstein donates to the festival, the ticket committees are bending every effort to make the season a financial success.

It is the sale of coupon books which makes Ravinia music possible. These books, which are now on sale, cost \$10, saving the purchaser \$3.50, since they contain 18 coupons, each good for either a 75-cent admission or a 75-cent reserved seat for any regular concert.



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Administration Comments

by Robert C. L. Price

(Continued from Page 1) The report on streets, stated that the work on the bridge on North Sheridan road was nearly completed and would be finished by Thursday; and that the Public Service company had been given orders to place brighter street lights in several places in Highland Park—this was done in conformance with a recent discussion at a council meeting.

New Ordinances The new tax levy ordinance, with the recent appropriation bill, was introduced and placed on file for one week for public inspection.

An ordinance was read and passed providing the city jail be housed in the city hall building located at St. Johns and Hazel avenues. Of course the jail has been there for some years but an ordinance was not passed covering this change since the new city hall was completed.

An ordinance was adopted prohibiting the sale or storage of fireworks and other explosives in Highland Park. There is no question but that the majority of the city's residents are in favor of such an ordinance and hope for its strict enforcement.

A lengthy and animated discussion was engaged in concerning the lack of drainage, sewerage and good roads in some of the newer subdivisions in the western part of the city. A great deal of work needs to be done in many places within the city limits but, as Mr. Sharp explained, the city hasn't the money to do these things and it is impossible to raise money by special assessment for these improvements.

The question of zoning was also raised. There seems to be little question but that the question of re-zoning will have to be given serious consideration.

The Glader matter, concerning the disconnection of the Glader property from the city of Highland Park was again brought up by Mrs. William Glader. The matter has been up before the council several times since the new administration came into office and no action has been taken.

No Appointments The city council has held back from making most of the city appointments so far, however the rumor prevails from reliable sources that the chances are excellent for the appointments being made at the council meeting next week.

Barney Paulson Is Released from Jail

Barney Paulson, 25, of Winnetka avenue, Northfield, was released from the county jail when a charge of intent to commit robbery was dismissed.

Paulson was alleged to have stopped a young motorist, the son of Elmer Clavey of Deerfield, on a county highway last April. After searching young Clavey's car, Paulson allegedly sought other information about Clavey's home.

Several years ago Paulson was held in connection with a bank shortage in Deerfield. While working as a bank teller, Paulson was accused of putting in rolls of slugs in place of quarters to make up for money he allegedly took to spend in Chicago night clubs.

Hinsdale Horse Show to Be Held June 17-18

The Hinsdale Horse show association announces a Horse Show to be held Saturday and Sunday, June 17 and 18 at the Oak Brook Park grounds in that city.

New Girl Scout Troop Organized

The new troop of Girl Scouts organized at the Lincoln school will be known as Troop 1. Four of the girls in the new troop were from Brownie Pack 2 and were presented in a Fly Up ceremony by their leader Mrs. J. M. Watkins, Jr.

This was followed by the investiture of these Brownies and 12 other girls from the 4th and 5th grades from Lincoln school. The 12 girls new to scouting are Marian Townsley Forrest, Gwendolyn Edith Fuchs, Elizabeth Green, Peggy Laing, Nancy Roberts Mills, Jean Mount, Nancy Ruth Sproul, Jean Sunstrom, Patsy Starrels, Chelsea Pratt Webster, Sally Wennberg, Patsy White.

The troop committee consists of Mesdames Tremaine, Aiston, Forrest, Starrels, and Webster. Following this investiture punch and cookies were served by the girls.

Highwood Girl Is Awarded B.A. Degree at Northwestern U

Miss Sarah Glass, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Glass of 328 Waukegan avenue, Highwood, was graduated from Northwestern university at the commencement exercises held on Saturday, June 10.

While at Northwestern, she has held a scholarship; been a member of the Independent Council; chairman of the independent social committee; a group leader; a member of the Y.W.C.A.; has worked on the Daily Northwestern, Independent, and Education newspapers; was a member of the Women's Debate Team, Education Council, Town Club, French Club, Eta Sigma Phi, honorary classical language society; and Althea, honorary literary society.

Jack Rutledge Is Graduate of Culver Military Academy

Jack Rutledge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Rutledge, 100 Hazel avenue, is among the 21 Illinois cadets who passed through the "Iron Gate" at the final commencement exercises yesterday.

Rutledge is a member of the Culver Battery. He played end on the football team this year and is the leading shot-putter on the undefeated varsity track team this year. He is a first class gunner in the field artillery and has taken an active part in all corps activities.

Glenview Artist Designs Program Cover for Ravinia

As part of the cooperative effort of music-lovers which makes the Ravinia Music Festival a success, Dale Nichols, nationally known artist who lives in Glenview, has donated to the Ravinia poster and program cover for the fourth season which opens on June 29.

The poster he created, which soon will be on display throughout Chicagoland and the North Shore, is of a classic feminine figure with lute, standing against a star-studded sky, with the tops of trees below.

Winner of twenty-three major art awards, Nichols is recognized as one of America's foremost painters and a leader in the graphic arts.

The poster will aid efforts of more than 200 North Shore committee members who are now selling Ravinia coupon books.

Speaking of the Ravinia poster, Dale Nichols says: "In making the poster for Ravinia, I have tried to show what one feels there—not altogether what one sees. One feels the infinite in the millions of heavenly lights which form a grandiose ceiling above the shadowy treetops of sheltering trees. One does not see the musicians or one's neighbor but seeks to let the released, floating sound penetrate and thrill, lift to astounding heights—then crash into the depths with ever-changing rhythm and tempo, forming an orderly and complete musical experience. I have tried to portray that."

Three famous conductors will direct the Chicago Symphony orchestra during the season, each taking the baton for two weeks. Sir Adrian Boult, musical director of the British Broadcasting company

opens the season, followed on the podium by Vladimir Golschmann, conductor of the St. Louis Symphony orchestra and Arthur Rodzinski, conductor of the Cleveland orchestra.

Two soloists have been announced by the program committee, with others to be announced later. They are Josef Hofmann, top-ranking pianist, who will play on June 30 and July 1 and Emanuel Feuermann, considered by many critics as the world's greatest cellist, who will be heard July 15 and 16.

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Large advertisement for ILLINOIS BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY. Features a large illustration of a man's face and text: 'CAN YOU USE TWO TICKETS JIM? Friends can call you and get you when you have an individual telephone line. Your telephone is all yours when you want it.'