

### Inklings from Neighboring Towns

A new street lighting system was dedicated Saturday in Glencoe, and the lights were put into service.

The lights which are tall overhead lights gives brilliant lighting to the entire business district.

In celebration of the event, the Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the village officials gave a dedicatory program at the Village hall at 6:30 p.m. The dedicatory address was delivered by Village board's public service committee.

A gift of property which will double the grounds of Grace Community church, Lake Bluff was formerly accepted at the Quarterly conference of the church March 25th. The donors of the property are Mr. and Mrs. James F. Stiles Jr., who are active members of the church. The property which is valued at \$6,000 adjoins the property on which the church building now stands and gives Grace church a total of 45,000 square feet of ground, one of the finest church properties on the North Shore.

Winnetka plans to continue the metal plate form of village motor vehicle license, since 2,194 citizens from the 3,700 applicants for licenses, voiced approval of this type of license.

The F. B. Lovell Drug store in Libertyville, which has served the public's drug needs in the Libertyville-Mundelein area ended Monday when Frank J. Wenban of Lake Forest assumed the business. Mr. Wenban, who operated a store in Lake Forest for many years in conjunction with Willis W. Griffis, sold out his interest to Griffis. He bought the interest held jointly by the Mrs. Augusta M. Lovell estate and James Swan for a reported \$7,000.

Mrs. Rudolph Kitzman of Libertyville became a virtual prisoner in her own home last Wednesday, when her little two year old daughter Suzanne playfully shoved the pantry door closed as her mother was putting away the breakfast dishes. It was not until 3:30 in the afternoon when an aunt, Mrs. Charles Ruhl of Lake Bluff called at the home that she was released. There was no knob on the inside of the closet door, and Mrs. Kitzman tried every possible effort to release herself, but to no avail.

Barrington records are now kept in an up-to-date loose leaf book, a very efficient descendant of the first townbook, an old-fashioned volume which served from 1860 to 1898.

The original town minute book is preserved as a relic. In it is really the story of the beginning of Barrington, the great growth of the community from 1860 to the turn of the century. In the 38 years it served as a record, four different clerks kept the minutes. Two of them were Joseph D. Robertson and L. Bennett.

When the original minute book was discarded, another regular volume succeeded it, but after a few years the present loose leaf system was inaugurated.

Barrington is in two townships, Cuba township, Lake county, and Barrington township, Cook county. Arthur C. Burandt is the present clerk of the village, and he is also the guardian of the historical book, one of his duties as clerk.

Cuba township was originally Troy, but the auditor of the state advised the county clerk that there was another town in the state already named Troy, so the name was changed to Cuba at the meeting of the board of supervisors in 1850.

Besides Burandt, other officials of the village are Earl Hatje, president; A. L. Wiedenbeck, treasurer; Alfred D. Church, police magistrate, and David B. Maloney, attorney.

### 200 Ravinians Plan To Attend Dinner Dance There April 20

Two hundred Ravinians have already indicated that they are so doing their spring planning that they will not be musclebound from gardening or spring housecleaning on April twentieth, which is the date set for the next dinner dance of the Ravinia Woman's club. In announcing this number of early reservations for the evening, Mrs. Fred E. Law, chairman of the club's social committee, expressed the hope that others who wish to attend the dance would soon make definite arrangements to do so, for attendance is necessarily limited. She might have added that no one will want to be lame from cleaning or digging on the twentieth since music for the dance will again be provided by Pierson Thal's orchestra which received such enthusiastic comment at the February dance and which is now playing weekly at the Blackhawk Grill in Chicago.

All reservations for the evening should be made with Mrs. Law, H. P. 2988. It is suggested that those who are compelled to make late cancellations of their reservations, schedule Junior's attack of mumps and kindred catastrophes a bit earlier than usual this time, for deadline will not be as eleventh hour as formerly. Instead of accepting cancellations the day before the dance, none will be taken after Wednesday, April 17.

### Porkers Starve As Birds Capture Food

Residents in southern Illinois living along the highway between Alton and East St. Louis were confronted in 1822 by a most unusual hardship. Their hogs depended for food principally on acorns and berries during the days of late summer and fall. Suddenly, according to an account noted by the Illinois Writers' Project, W.P.A., a vast flock of pigeons flew into the area and soon cleared the fields of nearly all these items of food. As a result, many hogs died of starvation.

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In an appendix Dr. Adler lists the great books of all time, ranging from the early Greek and Latin writers through the Middle Ages to Einstein and Dewey among the living. This list is based on similar ones used at the University of Chicago, at Columbia college, at St. John's college and elsewhere.

The man who made time stand still for 60 years. His name was Baron Ballysane and, from the days of Queen Victoria until his recent death, he refused to admit that the world was changing. Read about his strange existence in The American Weekly, the magazine distributed with next Sunday's Chicago Herald-American.

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oath in the presence of a justice of the peace could be fined one dollar. However, if the offending person was sorry enough the fine might be remitted.

An early chronicler, says the Illinois Writers' Project, W.P.A., tells of an incident that happened in 1821 at Greenville in which a justice of the peace while walking with an-

other justice of the peace is said to have uttered an oath.

Thereupon, it is related, he went immediately to his office to enter a fine against himself. Upon his return, he is reported to have remarked to his companion, "Having discovered proper signs of contrition, I am now considering the propriety of remitting the fine."

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