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Architect's Plan of Gas Company's New Service Building



North Shore Gas company will soon start construction of a new 188 foot by 135 foot service building on County Line road west of the company's Deerfield Holder station. It will serve as headquarters for construction and service for the Deerfield, Bannockburn, Highland Park, Highwood, Glencoe, and Winnetka areas. Upon completion next fall it will replace the Gas company's Glencoe shop and a rented garage building at 48 N. Green Bay road, Highland Park.

Up To Now

By Bill Thomas

OUR WEATHER

While we retreat not at all from our position that Chicagoland weather is as good, if not a bit better than any weather you can find, sometimes it's a little hard to defend it wholeheartedly. Now that sudden temperature drop last Friday—we'll admit that maybe it needn't have dropped quite so far, and maybe it could have gotten a little warmer a little sooner. Just the same, we think our climate the best of any of the several varieties we've sampled up to now.

MORE TAXES

We see where the present proposal on Social "Security" taxes is to up the amount on which the tax can be collected from the first \$3,000 in wages to the first \$3,600. It is proposed to leave the rate at one and one-half per cent—from both the employee and the employer. This would have the practical effect of raising the maximum that could be collected on each wage earner from the present \$90.00 a year to \$108.00. It wouldn't be so bad if the money were being set aside in a separate fund for the "security" purposes, but we can't quite see the point of just throwing the extra money in the general pot and saying that the government owes the Social Security fund so much money. Maybe this country just can't go broke and maybe if things go on the way they are we'll find out for sure.

Another thing that has always irked us a bit on this particular tax setup is the pointed reference to the "fact" that the employee contributes only half the tax—"the employer pays the other half." Of course, only one and one-half per cent is collected from the workers "book" wages, and the employer pays an additional one and one-half per cent. However, more than 250 years ago in his classic "The Wealth of Nations" Adam Smith pointed out that any tax which is calculated on the amount of wages paid, comes ultimately from those wages. In other words any enterprise can pay only so much for labor. And if the employer must pay one and one-half per cent of total wages paid, the amount of money he can put in a pay envelope is reduced by just that much. No matter how they figure it, the wage earner pays it.

President Of High School Board Tenders Resignation

Harold W. Norman, a member of the board of education of Highland Park High since 1941 and president since 1946, has announced his resignation effective in July. According to his statement he remained on the board only until the financial tangle between Highland Park and Lake Forest High schools was straightened out, and is resigning because he feels "one might grow stale and ineffectual if he remains in a service of this kind for too long a time."

Lions To Install New Officers

On Thursday evening, June 29, members of the Lions club and their ladies will meet at the Swedish Glee Club, in Waukegan, where officers for the year 1950-1951 will be installed. A short program, commemorating the birthday of the club will also be enjoyed.

Highwood Selects Recreation Assistant

Martha Weaver, of Breeside, has been appointed assistant director of recreation at Highwood Memorial field during the summer months. Harley Ridgway, city recreation director, has announced. She will conduct story hours, craft programs and programs for small children and girls. Ridgway has charge of activities for boys.

Playground apparatus has been installed in the park, and picnic tables are procurable for those who wish to give parties, according to Ridgway. The playground is open daily from 9 to 12 and from 1 to 4:30. Programs for adults are scheduled in the evenings.

Pottker Again Named Chairman Of Highwood Community Center

Mr. Ralph Pottker was re-elected chairman of the commission of the Highwood Community Center.

Community Benefit Ball Game Sponsored On Sunday By LOOM

Highland Parkers are urged to participate in the Community Benefit Games to be presented at Sunset Park on Sunday (June 25) at 1 p.m. by the Loyal Order of Moose in Highland Park for the benefit of the Highland Park Hospital and Recreation Board. Mayor Robert F. Patton declared:

"This event—the first of its kind—provides an unusual opportunity for everyone to enjoy an afternoon of outdoor recreation and at the same time, at small cost, to contribute toward two important community services."

The attractions feature the Martin Jewelers, professional Windy City League softball team, which is donating its services. The Jewelers will play the Highland Park Moose Governors, one of the top teams on the North Shore.

In addition, there will be a regular game between the Moose Lodge of Waukegan and the Highland Park team; and an exhibition game between the Women of Moose and the Fort Sheridan WACS.

According to Arnold Freeman, district athletic director of the Moose and advisor to the Highland Park Recreation Board, there will be no admission charged but donations will be solicited. The Coordinating Council of the city has accepted the event and it has been approved by the Highland Park Community Chest.

The famous Gabby Hartnett and Art Olson, president of the Recreation Board will assist Swede Anderson in umpiring the games. There will be music throughout the afternoon by the celebrated Fort Sheridan Band through the courtesy of Post Adjutant Capt. L. E. Simons.

AVC Meeting Will Greet New Members

Pointing to a score of recent membership additions, officers of North Shore Chapter of American Veterans Committee plan a special welcome to newcomers at a picnic this Saturday evening at Secretary Everett Millard's house on Sycamore Place, Highland Park.

"Our growth shows a healthy interest in a liberal veterans' organization," said chapter Chairman Linas Brown, Winnetka, this week.

Mayor Robert Coulson of Waukegan and his wife will be guests of honor at the party. Coulson, at 38 a veteran of politics as well as of wartime OSS raids behind Jap lines in China, will speak to AVC members and guests on civic problems. Several Illinois and national officials of the progressive vet association will also attend, Brown revealed.

Among members recently joining the chapter or transferring from other AVC branches are Robert N. McCreary, Lake Forest; Andrew J. Taft, John Field, W. T. Bresnahan, Highland Park; Wells Burnette, Deerfield; Mrs. Virginia A. Brown, Winnetka; Donald M. Evans, Glenview; and Leo Simms, Donald R. Wilcox, Fred Carney, Prentis A. Bryson, Roland D. Paine, Jr., Samuel Teitelbaum, Dascomb Forbush, Dorothy Forbush, Robert B. Wilcox, Leroy A. Young, Allen Howard, James M. Otey, John M. Teevan and Raymond Alexander, Evanston; and Peter S. Goldberg, Chicago.

RAVINIA SEASON STARTS JUNE 27

Ormandy To Occupy Podium For First Concert

The Ravinia Festival opens its beautiful new \$350,000 pavilion and its fifteenth annual season next Tuesday evening, June 27, at 8:30.

Eugene Ormandy, celebrated conductor of the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra, will occupy the podium when the Chicago Symphony Orchestra presents its first concert under the new fan-shaped Ravinia roof that "floats" on a row of slender steel columns placed at its outer edge.

Ormandy has flown back to this country from his European wedding trip and concert engagements to conduct the first two weeks' concerts of the 1950 summer season. This is his sixth appearance at Ravinia.

Howell Murray, chairman of the Ravinia Festival Association, will open the season officially with his welcoming speech.

The opening week's four concerts will include the performance of a Ravinia "first"—Kent Wheelner Kennan's "Night Soliloquy"—on Thursday evening, June 29. A "Viennese Program" of Mozart, Schubert and Johann Strauss will be presented on Sunday afternoon, July 2.

Kent Kennan is the young American composer who won the coveted "Prix de Rome" in 1936, the same year he wrote "Night Soliloquy." This piece, scored for solo flute and strings, was first performed on a radio broadcast from Rome in 1938 and was given its first American performance in the same year by the Rochester Civic Orchestra.

Rene Rateau, principal flutist of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, will play the flute solo. For the initial program, Tuesday night (June 27) Ormandy has chosen the Bach-Ormandy "Passacaglia and Fugue, C Minor," Beethoven's "Symphony No. 8," and Brahms' "Symphony No. 1, C Minor, Opus 68."

In addition to "Night Soliloquy," on Thursday evening (June 29) the orchestra will play the Brahms' "Academic Festival Overture, Opus 80," the Sibelius "Symphony No. 2, D Major, Opus 43," and Richard Strauss' Tone Poem, "Death and Transfiguration, Opus 24."

Ormandy will begin the Saturday night (July 1) concert with Prokofieff's "Classical Symphony, D Major, Opus 25," The Tchaikowsky Overture-Fantasia, "Romeo and Juliet" will follow. Rimsky-Kosakow's Suite "Scheherazade, Opus 35," will conclude the program.

The first part of the "Viennese Program" on Sunday afternoon (July 2) will include "A Short Serenade (Kochel 525)" by Mozart and the Schubert "Symphony No. 8, B Minor (Unfinished)."

Following intermission, the orchestra will play six selections of Johann Strauss—Overture to "The Bat," "Explosions Polka," "Perpetuum Mobile," "New Pizzicato Polka," "Voices of Spring," and "Tales from the Vienna Woods."

Kent Kennan, composer of "Night Soliloquy" studied at Wisconsin Conservatory, the University of Michigan (1930-1932) the Eastman School of Music, where he received the degrees Bachelor of Music in 1934 and Master of Music in 1936. As winner of the "Prix de Rome" he remained in Europe from 1936 to 1939 working at the Royal Academy of St. Cecilia under Ildebrando Pizzetti.

On returning to this country he taught for a year at Kent State University in Ohio, then joined the faculty of the newly formed department of music at the University of Texas in Austin. Military service in 1942 found Kennan playing the flute and piccolo in Army bands. Later he attended the Army Music School and was appointed a Warrant Officer bandmaster, assigned to service bands in the Pacific Theater. Upon his return to civilian life he resumed teaching and is now on the music faculty at Ohio State University.

Eugene Ormandy was born in Budapest in 1899 where he began violin studies when he was three years old. He made his first tour of Central Europe as a con-

Memorial Garden Of Highland Park Gardeners A Civic Enterprise

Highland Parkers Urged To Enroll With Friends Of Library

Highland Parkers who have not yet joined the Friends of the Highland Park Public Library are urged to participate in the organization by enrolling for the 1950-51 program of activities now.

George S. Lyman, President, declared:

"The Library is a unique center of community interest; it serves persons of all ages and is a source of education, pleasure, and inspiration throughout the year. Membership in the Friends gives you an opportunity to aid in making our Library a greater force for community good."

Pointing to ways in which the Friends have helped to make the Library a richer resource, Mr. Lyman said:

"This Spring the Friends completed purchase of \$400 worth of recordings which are now part of the Library's unusually fine collection from which any Highland Parkers may borrow. The concerts at Ravinia will be more enjoyable for those who attended the series of music appreciation discussions which the Friends presented at the Library last month."

The executive board of the Friends is now considering programs for the new year and membership enables everyone to share in planning the activities.

Membership applications include space for indicating the type of program desired. The music course came as a result of requests made in this manner. Applications have been distributed or may be obtained at the Library.

Annual dues are \$1.00; sustaining membership is \$5.00.

Checks should be mailed to Harold L. Nelson, Treasurer, Box 335, Highland Park.

Moose, V.F.W. And Santi Dairy Teams In Charity Features

Tomorrow, Friday, June 23 at Sunset Park, sports fans will have the opportunity of witnessing a top notch double header. The first event will start at 8:15 and will bring together two powerful 16-inch softball teams, namely the Moose Governors and the Santi Dairy from Highwood. Manager Bruno Bertucci has promised to repeat the last win but the Moose lads have other plans.

The second game will bring together the powerful V.F.W. team from Highland Park and a top notch team from Plainville. Bob Miner is expected to be at his best for this event.

All the managers of the teams have agreed to donate the proceeds from the evening towards a most worthy cause.

The Loyal Order of Moose Lodge of Highland Park is sponsoring the Community Benefit Ball game on Sunday, June 25.

The place is Sunset Park and the hour is 1 p.m. This venture has been accepted as a tremendous Civic Affairs Program and it is hoped that you will accept your responsibility to your community and plan to be present.

The proceeds from this event will be divided between the Highland Park Hospital and the Recreation Board.

Highwood Legion Auxiliary To Meet Tuesday

Highwood Unit No. 501, American Legion auxiliary will meet Monday, June 27 at the Legion home, 220 Green Bay Road, at 8 p.m. The officers for the coming year will be elected at this time, according to the president, Mrs. Arthur Cervetti.

Ormandy came to America in 1921 and began to develop his talent for conducting. In 1931 he was named conductor of the Minneapolis Symphony where he remained until he assumed charge of the Philadelphia Orchestra.

To Observe Rose Day Sunday

The Gardener's Memorial Garden is located on Sheridan Road in Highland Park, between the Library and the City Hall. Through cooperation with the Park Board, the Men's Garden Club of Highland Park arranges for the maintenance and development of this truly civic enterprise.

All interested citizens of the community are urged, not only to visit the Garden, but to take an active interest in its welfare by making contributions for its upkeep. The Men's Garden Club of Highland Park has established a special Gardener's Memorial Fund, and suggests that the beauty spot which has been created lends a wonderful opportunity to memorialize friends, relatives and various family occasions. Many citizens in the past have sent contributions involving births, marriages, deaths and other events, which sums have been used as perpetual memorials to loved ones, both alive and deceased.

Upon receipt of a contribution, a communication is directed to the person or family advising of the action and including the name of the donor. Amounts donated are not mentioned except in the acknowledgement to the donor. Small amounts are welcome and many have been received for one dollar and upwards. Through the kind cooperation of club members and interested citizens, the Gardener's Memorial has been maintained at a very high level since 1942 when it was dedicated and presented to the citizens of Highland Park.

Horticulturalists Honored

The Gardener's Memorial Garden honors three former outstanding horticulturalists of this community. The first section is a Rose Garden and memorializes Mr. W. C. Egan, formerly of Egandale Road, whose vast knowledge and experiments first brought the Rose into prominence in this area. The second section, featuring a native planting with a rocky ledge pool, is in memory of Mr. Jesse Lowe Smith, whose work at Elm Place School left an indelible impression on the now grown up children of this community. The third section is in honor of Mr. Jens Jensen, famous landscape architect, who is living today in Ellison Bay, Wisconsin. This great proponent of natural plantings, using materials indigenous to their native habitat, is honored by the section containing the outdoor stage.

The Men's Garden Club of Highland Park asks not only that you visit this beautiful civic garden, but help them to support and maintain it. Special events are held in the Gardener's Memorial from time to time, the big feature each year being the Rose Show in June, by the members of the Men's Garden Club, during Rose week in Highland Park. Rose day is next Sunday, June 25.

Members of the Men's Garden Club of Highland Park who have contributed to the Highland Park Gardener's Memorial Garden:

Karl Bahr, A. L. Berg, A. M. Bridell, Gordon E. Clavey, Roy Clavey, O. P. Decker, Ed. P. Engelbrecht, Sidney Feuchtwanger, Frank L. Frable, Sr., M. B. Friedman, J. B. Garnett, I. H. Goldberg, Lyle Gourley, Dorsey D. Husenetter, Lorentz B. Knouff, Jules Ladany, Benj. F. Lewis, R. G. Mabs, D. W. MacCorquodale, T. C. Nathan, Robert E. O'Dea, John Oliver, C. Eugene Pfister, Harold F. Pfister, Benjamin Reach, W. D. Sears, Edward Seese, H. C. Schroeder, M. E. Shire, Jesse L. Strauss, Oliver Turner, William C. Weninger, Malcolm H. Whitfield and F. M. Yager.