

SKOKIE DECISION TO BE MADE WEDNESDAY

Local Sponsors Believe Plan Committee Will Return Favorable Decision on Project

The status of Skokie valley—whether it is to become a part of the Forest Preserve and retain its natural beauties for future generations of Chicago and its suburbs, or whether it will be unprotected against the inroads of commercial enterprise—will be known Wednesday, March 17.

On that day the Plan Committee of the Forest Preserve Commission will render its decision to the County commissioners, either recommending the purchase of the magnificent valley as Chicago's playground of 1950, or opposing the transaction.

That the Plan Committee will return a favorable decision is the firm opinion of every member of the Skokie Preservation association, which is composed of residents of Wilmette, Kenilworth, Winnetka, Glencoe, and other sections of New Trier township. The association, in its fight, has answered satisfactorily every argument that could be present in opposition of the plan, and the manner that the township has supported the project has been very gratifying to the members of the association.

When the matter of preserving the Skokie property first came to a head, the task of the association was a difficult one, as very few residents of the north shore or Chicago were aware of the possibilities of this rare valley. Headed by the late William G. Hibbard, Jr., the members of the association set out to acquaint the residents with their plan. From there the fight was taken up to the Forest Preserve Commission and at the two public hearings held recently in Chicago, the north shore was represented by officials and scores of interested residents of the township. That the people of Chicago have themselves realized the great benefits to be derived in future years from this great natural playground, has served in this last drive as a spur to the local workers, who, headed by William S. Elliott, have worked incessantly to secure favorable action by the commissioners.

Civic, financial, political and business leaders of Chicago have flocked to the offices of the Plan Committee, presenting numerous arguments for

the immediate purchase of the property. Chief among these were Harold McCormick, Victor Lawson, Oscar Foreman, and others. With practically a unanimous support of leaders in Cook County affairs, the local association is confident that the decision will be favorable.

LAST RITES HELD MONDAY FOR R. W. BODDINGHOUSE

Funeral services for Richard W. Boddington, secretary of the Chicago Title and Trust company, who died suddenly Wednesday night, March 3, were held from Graceland chapel last Monday at 2 o'clock. The services were simple and interment followed shortly at Graceland cemetery.

The death of Mr. Boddington, who was for more than 20 years a resident of Wilmette, marks the passing of one of New Trier Township's most able leaders. As president of the High School Board of Education, Mr. Boddington took an active interest in all township affairs, until he became a Chicago resident. His home there was at 1333 Rosedale avenue.

He has been connected with the Title and Trust company from the days of its infancy as an executive and authority on real estate law. Mr. Boddington's death will be a

genuine loss to the firm. Mr. Boddington was also professor of real estate law at Kent College. He is survived by his widow and two sons—Emmons, 27, and Sidney, 30.

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VILLAGE OF WINNETKA

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that a GENERAL ELECTION is to be held in the VILLAGE OF WINNETKA on **TUESDAY, APRIL 6TH, 1920**, for the purpose of voting for the following officers:

**THREE VILLAGE TRUSTEES
ONE VILLAGE TRUSTEE TO FILL VACANCY
ONE VILLAGE TREASURER
ONE VILLAGE MARSHAL AND COLLECTOR
ONE VILLAGE CLERK
TWO VILLAGE LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

That for the purpose of holding said election the Village of Winnetka shall be divided into four election districts or precincts as follows:

PRECINCT NO. 1—Shall be bounded on the north by the north limits of the Village, on the east by Lake Michigan, on the south, east of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad, by the center line of North Avenue; on the south, west of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad, by the center line of Fig Street; and on the west by the westerly limits of the Village.

That the office occupied by Wm. Aitken, located at 1065 Gage Street, in the Village of Winnetka, is hereby designated as the polling place in PRECINCT No. 1 for the purpose of holding said election.

PRECINCT NO. 2—Shall be bounded on the north, east of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad, by the center line of North Avenue; on the north, west of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad, by the center line of Fig Street; on the east by Lake Michigan, on the south by the center line of Elm Street, and on the west by the westerly limits of the Village.

That Room No. 1, second floor, Meyer Bank Building on Elm Street, in

the Village of Winnetka, is hereby designated as the polling place in PRECINCT No. 2, for the purpose of holding said election.

PRECINCT NO. 3—Shall be bounded on the north by the center line of Elm Street, on the east by Lake Michigan, on the south by the center line of Willow Street and on the west by the westerly limits of the Village.

That the room occupied by the Bartz Express & Livery, located at No. 2 Prouty Annex, in the Village of Winnetka, is hereby designated as the polling place in PRECINCT No. 3 for the purpose of holding said election.

PRECINCT NO. 4—Shall be bounded on the north by the center line of Willow Street, on the east by Lake Michigan, on the south by the southerly limits of the Village, and on the west by the westerly limits of the Village.

That the store known as Indian Hill Inn, located on Winnetka Avenue near Wilson Street, in the Village of Winnetka, is hereby designated as the polling place in PRECINCT No. 4 for the purpose of holding said election.

That for the purpose of said election the polls shall be open at the respective polling places above mentioned at the hour of six o'clock A. M. and shall remain open from such hour until the hour of six o'clock P. M. on the said sixth day of April, 1920.

STELLA WINSLOW, Village Clerk