

**Municipal Column**

*Edited by the Village Manager*

**REGULATION OF OIL STORAGE**

Mr. G. M. Houren, Chief of the Fire department wishes to call the attention of persons planning to install oil burning furnaces, to the regulations of the Board of Underwriters covering the storage of oil fuel for house heating. The following letter has been received from the Board of Underwriters:

Chicago, November 29, 1920.

Mr. G. M. Houren,  
Chief of Fire Department,  
Winnetka, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your inquiry concerning oil burning equipments for heating dwellings, permit me to reply as follows:

The rules of this Board permit an inside tank, not exceeding 60 gallons, connected to the burner and feeding oil by gravity. In addition there may be stored inside not to exceed 240 gallons of fuel oil, distillate or kerosene.

Tanks installed outside of buildings ought to be buried in the ground as a precaution against the pranks of children, if for no other reason, but we do not insist that they be buried unless the capacity exceeds the amount permit-

ed in side of a building, i. e., 300 gallons.

No tank, whether inside or outside, having a capacity in excess of 60 gallons, is permitted to be connected so that there is a possible chance of its contents being discharged to the burner. This is to be construed to mean that between the storage tank and the gravity tank supplying the burner there must be an approved hand operated piston type oil pump.

Piping inside the building must not exceed 3/4 inch diameter.

Trusting that this information may be helpful to you, I am

Very truly,  
(Signed) W. D. Mathews,  
Chief Surveyor

The foregoing regulations should

be carefully observed in planning oil burner installations in order to insure safety from fire and the approval of insurance authorities. The Fire Chief will be very glad to supply additional information and to give suggestions relative to fire prevention when desired.

**INSTALL NEW SAFETY ISLAND**

A new type of safety island was installed on trial by the Public Works and Electric Department last week at the intersection of Lincoln avenue and Elm street.

This island consists of an electrically illuminated hemisphere placed in the center of the pavement to direct traffic without unnecessarily blocking the street, which is not wide enough at this particular location to permit of the installation of the usual type of safety island.

The City of Milwaukee has adopted this type for use at all important street intersections and, after several months' trial, it has proven very satisfactory. One advantage is that traffic is directed without danger of col-

lision, a vehicle passing safely over the island without damage, in case it is accidentally struck.

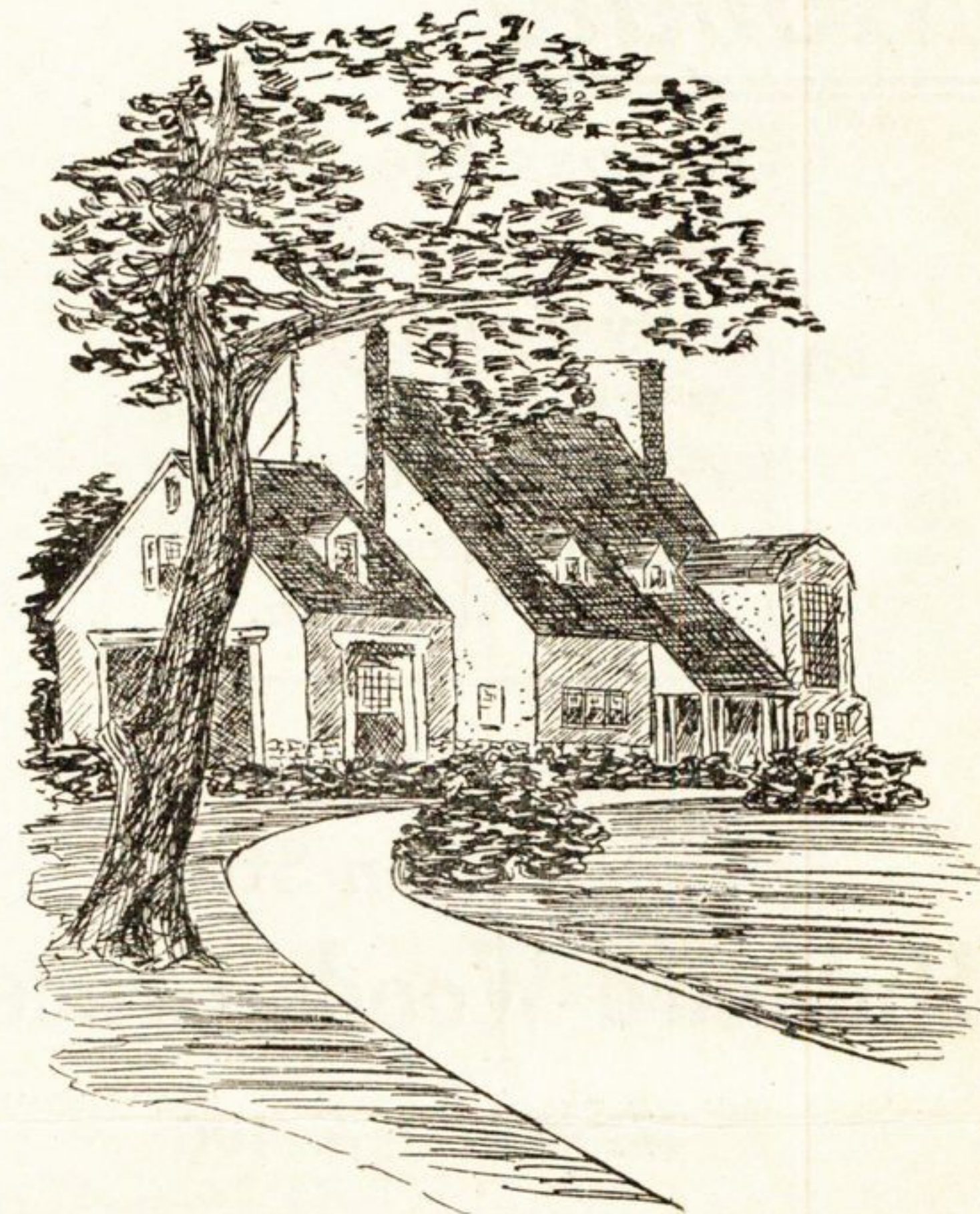
**ANNUAL SPRING MEETING**

This evening at 7 o'clock will be held the annual Spring meeting of the Skokie Country club at the club house for the transaction of important business. A special dinner is to be served in the Men's Grill room at 7 o'clock, when an excellent quartet will furnish the entertainment.

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