

LET CONTRACTS FOR SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Board of Education of Country Day School Orders Work Started on New Structure

After the board meeting of the North Shore Country Day school held Tuesday night, September 14, the important announcement was made that the contracts are being let now, and work will begin immediately on the new school auditorium structure.

The board also approved the faculty insurance plan which is in effect in many private schools in the country. This plan is backed by the Carnegie Foundation fund. The school pays half and the teachers pays half, much as the war risk insurance was conducted by the government during the war. This insurance serves as a pension.

The new through highway to extend west of a parallel with the North Western railroad is slicing close to the football field used by the Country Day school. While the road does not actually encroach upon the field, it runs too close for safety, so plans are being made to grade a new field on the hill, leaving the old full-sized field for practice purposes.

Start Auditorium First

This new, full-sized field will not be started until the digging is completed for the auditorium, as the field will be close to the new building. The girls' hockey field will not be disturbed by the construction of the building, or the new football field, it is said.

Turning from policies of building and athletics to other matters, the board also reiterated its policy of maintaining its balance of girls and boys in the classes. The school, experimenting with co-education, feels it best for the students to keep the balance of boys and girls in classes with a few more boys in each class than girls. Rather than take in additional students to fill a class, it will keep this proportion the same. If there is a lack of girls, the proportion of boys will likewise be limited, and the same with the boys. Another phase of the experiment is to group the boys and girls together, in certain grades, for the social sciences, and separate them for the exact sciences.

WRECK OLD HOUSE

The old house on Willow road near the tracks and in the path of the street widening and other development in this section, was destroyed by fire, Friday. Chief Houran, of the Winnetka fire department, extended a line of house from an adjacent hydrant, to be used in the event the fire should spread to adjacent property.



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BOY CAMPERS RETURN

Last of Adventure Island Group Arrive After Busy Summer of Work and Play

The final contingent of ten north shore boys, accompanied by Charles A. Kinney, director of Adventure Island camp, arrived home Wednesday after a three weeks post-season stay on the island. Of the ten boys three were at the camp for seventeen consecutive weeks, the other seven for fourteen weeks.

The season just closed marks the most successful year of the camp in transforming the island into a boys' world. With the exception of the main log lodge, which was built by experienced woodsmen, the entire construction program has been carried out by the boys themselves.

Since taking possession of the island last year, the boys in two summers have completed the pioneering necessary to healthful and happy living conditions, and have transformed into a place teeming with youthful activities a densely wooded and rarely visited island that had previously lain uninhabited for forty years.

Under the direction of an experienced landscape gardener the boys have completed three clearings: one, where the main camp is located on a ridge overlooking Green Bay; a second for a playfield; and a third for the tennis courts. On the edge of the main clearing the boys have built permanent tent floors, an ice house holding sixty tons of ice, a cold storage building, water system with tower, tank, and pump, and a sewage disposal system. Two cabins have also been built, one for the cook, one for guests.

Build Camp Shop

The largest single piece of construction work was the camp shop, 27 by 40 feet, in the building of which every boy participated. When completed, the building will have a high lookout tower, while the second floor will be used as a drafting and planning room for the boats, camp furniture and numerous articles made in the shop. A broad veranda overlooking Green Bay will be used as a general meeting place and club house, where the boys and guests may swap yarns and dream about the sail and motor craft which every boy loves to think he will some day build.

In the shop building the boys have already installed a power-driven band saw, circular saw, wood lathe, and other machine tools as well as bench tools. During the summer four of the boys built a 16-foot cat-boat, two others completed the framing of an 18-foot speed-boat, while another is well along with the construction of a one-design centerboard sailboat suitable for construction by boys of 14.

The camp is rapidly attracting the attention of educators, of whom a number visited the island during the summer. Almost without exception, they, as well as the numerous other guests of the camp, were enthusiastic in their praise of the morale of the boys, the unique plan of the camp, and its beautiful location.

Community House Starts Season's Activities Soon

Community House activities will be resumed about October 1. The building has been put in shape during the past summer and the staff is home from vacations. The schedule of gym activities will be ready for publication soon. There will be gym classes for men, women and children. English classes will meet twice each week and the Friendship Circle club, for working girls, will meet each Tuesday evening. The Boy Scouts will meet each Friday evening as usual, beginning October 1, and the Camp Fire girls will meet Thursday afternoon.

Schools Open



With the opening of the public schools Monday, the children of Winnetka came trooping back to their several schools, fresh from the summer's vacation and in prime condition for the year's work ahead of them. The enrollment this year, it is said will exceed that of any previous year in the history of the schools. All class schedules are working smoothly and both teachers and pupils are preparing to make this the banner year of the Winnetka public schools. S. R. Logan is the new principal at Skokie and Miss Marian Elwell is principal at Horace Mann this year in place of Miss Hazel Hartwell, who has been granted a year's leave of absence during which she will study at Teachers' college, Columbia university. Miss Marian Carswell is principal at Hubbard Woods school and Miss Florence Brett is principal at Greeley.

Stewart Johnson Dies of Injuries From Motor Crash

Word has been received of the death of Stewart Johnson of Winnetka, which occurred September 8, in Alexandria, Egypt, caused by injuries received in an automobile accident. Funeral services will be held and the body shipped here for burial.

The message came that Mr. Johnson was returning from a bridge party and ran into an unlighted Arab cart which was carrying a load of bricks. He was taken immediately to the hospital where he rallied for a time, but died later.

Mr. Johnson was well known in diplomatic circles abroad, and was in charge of affairs at Cairo, Egypt. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Catherine Re Qua Johnson, 324 Mayflower road, Lake Forest; a daughter Cafita, his mother, Mrs. Lorenzo M. Johnson, and three sisters, Mrs. George Massey, Mrs. Raymond Hardenbergh, and Mrs. Ayres Boal of Winnetka.

Mrs. Johnson was with her husband in Egypt until a short time ago, returning to their Lake Forest home for the summer.

Mr. Johnson was born in 1880 in St. Louis, graduating from Yale in 1902. He attended Harvard law school and graduated in 1907. Practicing law in Chicago until 1915, he entered the diplomatic service in March of that year. He served in Santo Domingo, Guatemala, Caracas, and Berlin. Appointed foreign service officer of class four in 1924, he was assigned as first secretary at the legation in Cairo.

Mr. Johnson was a resident of Winnetka, where he spent his boyhood.

PREACHES ON "PROFITS"

"Excess Profits" is the sermon topic announced by the Rev. James Austin Richards of the Winnetka Congregational church, for his sermon Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. In the evening at 8, Rev. Thomas A. Goodwin will preach on "The Larger Liberty," his text being from John 8:32.

SYMPHONY CONCERTS TO BEGIN IN OCTOBER

First Program of Orchestral Association to Be Given October 18; Plan Seven Concerts

The concerts of the New Trier Township Orchestral association will be inaugurated Monday, October 18, at the high school, it was announced this week by H. F. Horton, of Glen-coe, one of the outstanding leaders in the movement. There will be seven symphony concerts, all to be given on Monday nights as follows: October 18, November 15, December 13, January 10, February 7, March 14, and April 25. There will also be the usual four matinee concerts for young people, to be given in October, November, January and March.

Regular subscribers to the evening series have been notified that tickets are now ready for distribution. After the subscribers have been given a reasonable time, tickets will be available for those on the waiting list, it is explained. Persons who desire tickets and whose names are not on the waiting list are requested to notify the secretary, R. D. Burtner, 1504 Monadnock Block, Chicago. There are always a number who are disappointed at the last moment, so prompt action is advised. Season tickets are sold for \$6 for the seven concerts and no seats are sold for single performances. The matinee tickets are in the hands of the music supervisors of the four villages in New Trier township.

Begin Rehearsals

George Dasch, conductor of the Symphony Players, has been in Chicago most of the summer perfecting his plans for the coming season. He is enthusiastic about the New Trier prospects, Mr. Horton says, and expects to make the 1926-27 series a memorable one. Rehearsals for the first concert were started Thursday of this week. The program will be published in an early issue of this paper.

Herbert B. Mulford of Wilmette, who contributed so much to the success of the New Trier association during the three years of his presidency, is traveling in Europe and hearing good music there. In a personal letter he writes: "I want to tell you of a 'promenade' concert I heard given by Sir Henry Wood. In the orchestra of seventy-two there were sixteen women (seven out of fourteen firsts, four seconds, one cello, three violas and one harp) and the guest conductor was a woman giving her own composition. Two balconies; smoking; no seats on the first floor, but people stood there for fifty cents; Concert, 8 to 10:45; Dvorak's 'New World,' Mozart's E Flat Concerto for Piano and Orchestra, three overtures and three soloists (piano, soprano and tenor). All the people cheered Sir Henry for five or six minutes after the 'New World.'"

Mr. Mulford, who is now a member of the Wilmette committee of the Orchestral association, will doubtless bring back some good ideas for the New Trier concerts, comments Mr. Horton.

Winnetka Masonic Lodge in Meeting Next Tuesday

The first lodge meeting of the 1926-27 fall and winter season is announced for Tuesday evening, September 21, by George Barbery, master of the Winnetka Masonic lodge, No. 1078, A. F. and A. M. The lodge will, of course, convene in the temple on Elm street, and the opening hour is 7:45 o'clock. This will be a stated meeting with work on the second degree, it is explained.