

Village Manager's Annual Report

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disposal by incineration, the ideal method.

Because of the fact that both Wilmette and Glencoe have definite plans for the erection of incinerator plants, negotiations have been started with each of these municipalities with the thought that it might be advantageous to them and to Winnetka for us to enter into an arrangement with them to incinerate our garbage delivered at their plant. When this plan works out, it will enable us to collect our garbage with our own equipment at a considerable saving, and also avoid the necessity of investing some \$50,000 in an incinerator plant and site.

Complaints Reduced

During the year special effort was made to render the waste collection service in a manner satisfactory to householders, and the success of this effort is shown in the following comparative

records of complaints received last year as compared with the preceding year:		
Complaints	Last Yr.	Prev. Yr.
Rubbish	114	330
Garbage	278	587
Ashes	264	970
Total	656	1,887

When it is considered that approximately 13,000 household stops are made each week by the garbage, ash and rubbish collectors, the foregoing record of complaints is one of which we feel rather proud.

During the year approximately \$2,000 was spent on sewer cleaning and repairs. Because of the fact that with the growth in population and because considerable areas of the Village are not equipped with storm sewers, as required by our contract with the Sanitary District of Chicago, our sanitary sewer system is occasionally overloaded, and in order to hold inconvenience from this condition at a minimum, it is planned to spend a larger amount than usual in systematic

sewer cleaning by machine during the coming season, to secure the fullest possible capacity from our sanitary sewers. It is recommended that the Council give serious consideration to the extension of storm water sewers to sections of the Village not so equipped, particularly in those sections where property owners have been inconvenienced by basement flooding after heavy storms.

New Service Yard Aid

During the year, the new service yard on Center street was found to be of the greatest advantage, improving the quality and efficiency of the service departments of the Village, by providing adequate facilities for the storage and maintenance of mechanical equipment, storerooms for tools and supplies and a comfortable and sanitary locker room for the employees. Many favorable comments have been received regarding the artistic and attractive appearance of the service yard building, and it is believed that by continued efforts, the objectionable features of this establishment, adjacent to high-grade residential property on Walden road, can be held at a minimum.

Because of the fact that the service yard has been built with a view of future requirements for many years to come, considerable unused space is available, and by renting this space for the storage of private trucks and cars, a revenue has been derived by the Village sufficient to carry the added investment and to pay a substantial amount toward the cost of operating the yard.

A considerable number of sidewalks in the village, which were below grade or badly broken were relaid during the year by property owners under private contract, rather than by special assessment, thereby making possible a saving of at least 15%. This work was done by property owners in co-operation with the Village, in carrying out the general program of gradually replacing dangerous sidewalks and those which are subject to flooding, the village bearing the cost of all sidewalk approaches between the curb and the corner, at street intersections.

Two street intersections at Gordon Terrace and Gage street and Gordon Terrace and Merrill street were improved by rebuilding these corners with curbs of larger radii, on recommendation of the Hubbard Woods Improvement association. A number of other street intersections in the Village should be similarly improved, and it is suggested that two or three of the worst corners be taken care of this year.

War on Mosquito

During the year, the manager had charge of the work of mosquito abatement, under a citizens' committee appointed by the Village President, and the cost of this work was kept within the amount contributed voluntarily by citizens, so that no assistance was needed from Village funds. Because of the flooded condition of the Skokie, resulting from an abnormal amount of rainy weather and poor drainage facilities in the Skokie channel, it was impossible to eliminate mosquitoes, but it is believed that the oiling of ditches, low spots and catchbasins within the limits of the Village of Winnetka and the routine inspection of private property for breeding places, with resulting cooperation by residents, materially reduced the severity of the mosquito nuisance from what it might otherwise have been.

The operation of the street department under Mr. Harold Bohnen, who also acts as superintendent of the electric and water distribution system, has proved very satisfactory and economical, especially because of the fact that the work of these departments overlap to a considerable extent.

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Big Audience Hears Recital Given as Benefit for Church

By Critic

An audience which completely filled Sacred Heart hall, Hubbard Woods, enjoyed the splendid piano recital Tuesday evening by the pupils of Miss Clare C. Bohenski, of the Mandy School of Music. The recital was for the benefit of Sacred Heart church.

In addition to the numbers by the pupils of Miss Bohenski, the program also included violin solos by Samuel Chiet and Russell Luce, piano solos by Miss Bohenski, and a diversion from the musical program in a mirth-producing chalk talk by John Takoch.

Orchestral parts to Concerto No. 7, by Rubenstein, one of the numbers by Miss Bohenski, were played by Mrs. Frank P. Mandy. Other accompaniments in the program were played by Miss Bohenski, whose pupils, throughout the various numbers, gave evidence of their careful and efficient training. The names of the pupils participating follow:

Duet—Dancing Stars (Ducele), Jean Richardson and Miss Bohenski.

A Holiday Visit (Biebro), Dorothy Kirby.

Duet—Festival March (Law), Loretta Bohenski and Miss Bohenski.

Snowflakes (Eckhardt), Loretta Bohenski.

Duet—Evening Song (Law) Dorothy Kirby and Miss Bohenski.

In Hanging Gardens (Davies), Jean Richardson.

Duet—Dream Fairies (Ducelle), Catherine McKay and Lois Culver.

Lark and Nightingale (Waldman), Catherine McKay.

(a) Twilight Idyl (Schnecker); (b) Turkish Rondo (Krentzlin), Lois Culver.

(a) Chant San Paroles (Carpenter); (b) Eureka (Hitz), John Mathison.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bartling of 116 Fuller lane, Winnetka, with their daughters, Joan and Barbara, leave next week for South Bend, to attend the wedding of Mrs. Bartling's brother, Morris Goodman, to Miss Marjorie Ostrom of Mishawaka, Ind. The wedding will take place June 11, in Mishawaka. Mrs. Bartling will be matron of honor and Barbara will be flower girl.

Miss Katherine Tufts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Q. Tufts of 449 Sunset road, will graduate Tuesday, June 7, from Lasell seminary in Auburndale, Mass. Miss Tufts has been very active in her class while attending Lasell, serving as editor in chief of the "Lamp," the school annual. Mr. Tufts will attend the graduation exercises.

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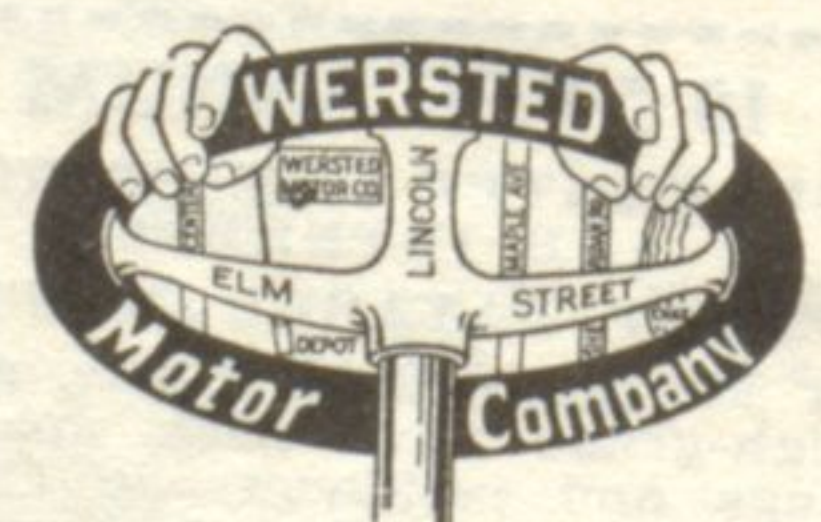
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