

New North Shore Suburb Will Be Launched June 18

Northfield, first suburb to be established on the north shore in a generation, will be given a royal welcome by the other communities of which it is to be a neighbor. Plans just announced provide for an all-day celebration on Saturday, June 18, which will befit the importance of this civic event.

North shore village officials have been invited as guests of honor on Saturday, June 18, when the ceremonies ushering Northfield into existence will be celebrated. They have been asked to attend as the guests of John Happ, president of the village board, and the other trustees of Northfield.

The mayors or presidents of every suburb have been invited. They include the chief executives of Waukegan, Highwood, Lake Forest, Highland Park, Glencoe, Winnetka, Kenilworth, Wilmette, Evanston, Glenview, Deerfield, Niles Center, Libertyville and Mundelein.

Leaders in the financial and industrial world also will be the guests of the Northfield board of trustees. With the leaders of the towns they will figuratively shake the new municipal baby by the hand and give their wishes for success to the plans for developing a super suburb.

Nixon Company Founders

George F. Nixon & company, founders and developers of the new town, are formulating the plans for the celebration Saturday. Cooperating with them, to make it a day that will be long remembered, is the North Shore line.

Northfield lies right at the station on the Skokie Valley Extension of the North Shore Line and special trains from the loop will whisk thousands of guests of the Nixon company over the elevated lines and out to the celebration. The schedule of the special trains will be announced later.

Dedication of the site of the village hall will be one of the features of Saturday's celebration. Northfield is laid out around a village green and

civic center. This green is surrounded by streets a hundred feet wide and on one of these the municipal building will stand. The site is being dedicated by the Nixon company.

Efforts are being made to get the services of the famous bands of the elevated lines and the North Shore line and there will be music all day. Speeches of greeting from officials will be made. Other forms of entertainment are being devised for the crowds. Luncheon will be served, to which all are invited.

"As the newest civic neighbor to Chicago and the older towns along the north shore, Northfield expects a warm welcome," said Mr. Happ, president of the Northfield board. "We start out Saturday as an infant community, newly born, but we shall be the fastest-growing civic baby Cook county ever saw. Perhaps, even before we realize it ourselves, we shall be stepping right along with full grown strides.

Forsee Rapid Growth

"It hasn't been possible before to start a new suburb on the north shore and Northfield is the first opportunity. Transportation to the towns just to the east congested those residential districts and real estate prices went beyond the reach of most of those who wanted homes. Now the Skokie Valley line has brought Chicago's loop to within 41 minutes and accessibility of other towns in proportion.

"We don't depend on our own opinions solely. The telephone, public service and transportation utility experts can estimate the growth of population and development of a district so accurately that they can foresee its needs twenty years in advance. The transportation already is there to serve Northfield and the others who will serve the new suburb already have laid their plans to care for a full-sized town.

"The interests of every community along the north shore are the same as ours. Their destiny is our destiny. That is why we have invited their officials to extend the hand of welcome and join us in the celebration which will mark a historical civic event."

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