

## PREPARE FOR BALLOT ON SKEETER TAX LEVY

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fit. The board thus appointed by the county judge will advise and cooperate with the Department of Public Health of the state in its work.

The object is to provide a permanent fund and organization for the entire district by which the campaign of mosquito eradication once started will have the assurance of being persistently and scientifically carried forward under the Gorgas Memorial plan with assured results. Whereas, in past years, the work has been sporadic, carried on in widely diversified sections and without satisfactory result.

### Need Contributions

The expense incurred in connection with the preliminary work being done at this time will have to be paid from donations by those who feel disposed to aid in this manner and those wishing to contribute to this fund are requested to mail their checks to either J. A. Williams, Glencoe or John F. Hahn, Evanston.

## Robert Kline Succumbs Following Brief Illness

Robert Kline, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Pattison Kline of 1311 Greenwood avenue, Wilmette, passed away Tuesday, August 15, at the residence after an illness of less than a week. He was taken ill Saturday evening, August 13. Death was caused by streptococcus infection of the throat.

Robert, who was 17 years old, was a graduate of New Trier Township High school of the class of 1927 and was preparing to enter Colgate university this fall. Besides his parents, he is survived by a brother, Ralph.

Services were held Thursday afternoon, the Rev. William F. McCormack officiating in the absence of Dr. Stephen A. Lloyd of the First Congregational church. Pallbearers will be Elmer Rich, Jack Greenhalgh, George Haack, Seymour Burge, Russell Johnson, and Laurin Bennett.

## Northwestern U. Pays Tribute to Judge E. H. Gary

Concerning the death of Judge Elbert H. Gary, the following statement has been issued by President Walter Dill Scott of Northwestern university:

"In the death of Judge Elbert H. Gary, Northwestern university has lost one of its best friends. He graduated at our Law School in 1867, has been a member of the Board of Trustees continuously since 1896, and received from the university the degree of LL. D. in 1922. Judge Gary has always shown a profound interest in the university and for thirty years as a member of the Board of Trustees he has been invaluable in furthering all the interests of the university.

"In 1889 he began his cooperation in building up for the university the great Law Library, which since 1903 has been known as the Gary Library of Law. In 1925 he donated to the university on the McKinlock campus, the Gary Law Library building.

"In addition to his own donations he interested others in the university and secured for us several magnificent gifts. He sustained a vital interest in all phases of the university work, kept in close touch with its progress and to the very end showed increasing interest in the service being rendered by it.

## Latest in Furs for Little Tots



This coat of Russian Fitch, designed for Master Leroy Solk, has been one of the features in connection with the Fur Shows staged recently in leading Chicago theaters. The garment was designed and manufactured by the little lad's father who is associated with the Elliott Fur company.

## Field Museum Obtains Prehistoric Treasure

A practically complete skeleton of a huge mogathorium, largest species of prehistoric ground sloth, has been excavated in Bolivia for the Field Museum of Natural History by the Captain Marshall Field Paleontological Expedition, according to a cabled report from Dr. Elmer S. Riggs, leader of the expedition, made public this week by the director of the museum.

Parts of mogathorium skeletons had been collected by the expedition previously in Argentina, but the Bolivian specimen is the first complete one obtained. Many other important finds have been made by the expedition since it began operations in Bolivia a few weeks ago, Dr. Riggs reports. Among these are half skeletons of a lestodon and a glossotherium, which were other types of ground sloths living between 50,000 and 100,000 years ago; skulls, legs, feet and other bones of a hippidium and other prehistoric types of horses; teeth of a macrauchenid, a creature which resembled a camel in appearance except that it lacked a hump; and bones of various small prehistoric birds.

## Miss Crabill Returns as Willard Hall Director

Miss Alice Crabill will return to Northwestern university this fall to take the position of house director of Willard hall, the largest women's dormitory. Miss Crabill formerly held this position for several years.

Since leaving here in 1920 she has traveled extensively and studied. During the past two years she has taken up home economics at the Western Illinois State Teachers' college. Previous to that she spent a great deal of time in the Hawaiian islands.

## Wilmette Cooperates in Mosquito Abatement Work

Wilmette gave its official approval and promise of co-operation to the recently established North Shore Mosquito Abatement association in the form of a resolution adopted at the regular Village board session Tuesday of this week.

Wilmette is located in District 1 of the association, which comprises Evanston and the north shore region.

## HOPE FOR REPEAL OF U. S. TAX ON AUTOS

### Motor Club Seeks Expression from Congressman Chindblom on Revenue Question

In its effort to have the 3 percent Federal war tax on passenger automobiles repealed, the Chicago Motor club has sent the following letter to Congressman Carl R. Chindblom, Washington D. C., member of the Ways and Means committee from this district:

"The Chicago Motor club wishes to go on record as strongly in favor of the repeal of the remaining 3 percent Federal War Excise tax on passenger automobiles, and respectfully asks your support in a campaign working to that end.

"Levied in 1917 for war purposes, to which it has contributed \$1,060,000,000, it is the only remaining war tax on transportation, and it is our conviction that it is no longer necessary, and should be repealed.

"Available evidence would seem to indicate that the government no longer needs the revenue derived from this tax, and owners of motor cars, already heavily taxed, should receive the benefit of the next tax reduction. Motorists are paying the general taxes required of the citizen, such as income tax, indirect taxes, corporation tax (in the case of business men or stockholders), and in addition to these they pay

the Federal War tax, state registration fees, gasoline taxes, and, in many cases, special taxes such as city motor levies and driver's license fees.

"It is an unjust and discriminatory tax, as it is a tax levied on a special product for the purpose of general revenue it singles out and penalizes one product while virtually every other product in the country is free from an excise tax. There are many more reasons why we oppose the tax, but as we anticipate your full support in the coming campaign to have this tax repealed, we will not burden you with them at this time. In behalf of our more than sixty thousand members, we will appreciate an expression from you on this subject."

## Building Activity Returns to Normal, Straus Report Shows

Building permits in 489 of the larger cities reporting to S. W. Straus & company, it was announced this week, fell off 20 percent from July 1926 and there was a decline of fourteen percent in the same places from June this year. The five leading cities, in volume of permits, New York, Chicago, Detroit, Philadelphia and Los Angeles, showed heavy losses, but fourteen of the other large places in the twenty-five leading city group either equalled or exceeded their records of July last year. The loss in this whole leading group was fifteen percent from July 1926 and twenty-six percent below July 1925. New York City alone had a loss of thirty-two percent.

In view of the fact that the Straus figures are the only official building permit reports made public for such a large and representative number of municipalities, the steady decline since January in volume of contemplated building throughout the country, indicates that the building industry is unmistakably settling down to a stable and healthy basis, leaving no further likelihood of an over-built condition in the near future.