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Public School Is Opened With High Attendance Record

90 Per Cent of Pupils Are Present in Most of the Grades

The Barrington public schools opened on schedule time Wednesday morning with a practically normal attendance, according to Superintendent E. S. Smith. When the afternoon sessions assembled the attendance was even greater than it had been in the forenoon.

The large attendance on the opening day is thought to indicate that the epidemic, which had prompted the board of education to close the school on December 18, four days early, has waned considerably.

A comparison of the attendance records on the closing and opening days shows a rise of from 35 per cent to 96 per cent for one section of the sixth grade. On Dec. 17, the last day that classes were in session, there were only 10 pupils out of the total of 28 who were able to attend classes. Wednesday only three of the pupils were absent.

The epidemic did not spread as badly in high school as it did among the younger students. On the closing day 80 per cent of the high school was present, whereas on the opening day 97 per cent were present. When school closed one-third of the junior high department was absent. On the opening day two sections of this department had 97 per cent and 96 per cent attendance. A large portion of the junior high school had earned a holiday on the opening day.

The attendance in the lower grades was only about 50 per cent when school closed. On Wednesday the attendance records were as follows: fifth grade, 91 per cent; fourth grade, 100 per cent; fourth grade and fifth grade combination, 90 per cent; third grade, 97 per cent; second grade, 80 per cent; second grade and third grade combination, 91 per cent; both sections of first grade, 88 per cent; kindergarten, 66 per cent.

Nonagenarian Age Is Attained by Mrs. A. Edwards

Mrs. Alfred Edwards, 525 Grove avenue, celebrated her ninetieth birthday anniversary Wednesday, Jan. 2. Mrs. Edwards is the mother of Mrs. H. P. Castle and has been living with Mrs. Castle during a considerable portion of the past two years.

Mrs. Edwards was born in Adrian, Mich. where much of her life was spent. Her father was one of the pioneers of the state, having moved there from Massachusetts in 1834.

Mrs. Edwards is a graduate of the University of Michigan and may be distinctly identified as the second woman to enroll in that institution. Last spring she attended a reunion of students at the university and is planning to do [illegible] in this year.

Recently Mrs. Edwards has given several talks, including one at the seventy-fifth anniversary of the First Baptist church. She possesses an unusual ability of recalling and relating past experiences.

Mrs. Edwards is enjoying good health, and daily, when the weather permits she takes a long walk on the streets of the south part of the village.

Baby Clinic to Be Held at Salem Church Tuesday for Pre-School Children

The first baby clinic for 1935 will be held in Salem Evangelical church from 1:30 to 3 p. m. Tuesday, Jan. 8. This monthly "child health conference" is arranged by the Cook county rural public health division of the bureau of public welfare.

A member of the child welfare committee of the Barrington Woman's club will assist a county nurse and Dr. J. A. Forbrich of the Children's Memorial hospital, Chicago, in examining and weighing the children.

Regular charts are kept at the clinic to show each patient's development and parents may obtain advice concerning feeding and care of infants. It is a clinic for well children, to keep them well, according to those in charge, and there is no fee.

2278 Fishing Licenses Issued in 1934; Only 600 Hunting Licenses

Fishermen in Lake county outnumbered hunters four to one according to statistics for 1934 compiled by Miss Florence Etinger, chief deputy county clerk, this week as part of her annual report to Edward J. Hughes, secretary of state.

With a total of 2278 fishing licenses issued in contrast to 600 hunting licenses, hunters cut a rather sorry figure, statistically.

Reasons for the popularity of fishing included the fact that fishing is a year around proposition, generally more productive of returns, and less expensive.

Fishing licenses cost 50 cents while hunting licenses cost $1 and then another $1 for those who wanted to shoot ducks.

The duck and pheasant hunting seasons were abbreviated during the past year and fowl were scarce. The only long hunting season was for rabbits and fear of tularemia, or rabbit disease, seemed to have discouraged enthusiasm for that game.

Gay Groups Usher in New Year With Parties Monday

Theatre, Churches, Homes and Cafes Filled by Merry Makers

New Year's eve was celebrated more gaily in Barrington to usher in 1935 than in the past few years, according to those supervising dances, shows and suppers.

A record attendance of about 600 at The Catlow theatre was representative of larger number seeking entertainment in the village than last year. Several local dances were also well-attended while gay groups greeted the new year at various eating places.

A large number of private parties were held at homes of residents and as in former years, religious services were held at various churches. Salem and St. Matthew churches had special programs.

The throngs were in a happier mood than in previous years, subzero weather failing to quell the enthusiasm of celebrants. There was little if any roistering, however. Icy pavements resulted in only one serious accident in the village.

Woodstock Man Is Fined As Outcome of Reckless Driving Complaint Here

A settlement of $20.10, including fine and costs, was the outcome of a complaint for reckless driving, filed by Carl Billings Jr., against R. C. Harmon of Woodstock. The fine was inflicted in a municipal court hearing in the village hall before police magistrate A. D. Church Thursday afternoon.

The complaint was the result of an automobile accident at the corner of Lake and Cook streets Wednesday at 5:30 p. m. Billings was driving north and Harmon east when the cars collided at the intersection. They were swung around onto the curb. The front bumper was broken, the axel bent, and both left fenders smashed on Billings' car. The damage on Harmon's car was less extensive. Neither of the two men, the only occupants of the two cars, was injured.

Miss Esther Strouss, Music Supervisor of Local School, Recovers From Accident

Miss Esther Strouss, music instructor in the local schools, has recovered from an automobile accident that occurred while she was enroute to her home at Walnut for the Christmas vacation. Her most serious injury was a cut on the head. The accident took place about six miles west of Aurora. A truck that had run off the pavement in passing a car skidded as it came back onto the road. It slid over the icy pavement directly into the path of Miss Strouss' car. Both cars were damaged considerably.

Scarlet Fever Reported

Betty Schreiber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Schreiber, 108 E. Lincoln avenue, was placed under quarantine Wednesday for a mild case of scarlet fever. Her case is the only one reported.

Objects to Bond Issue Collateral for Federal Loan

Attorney Renews Application for PWA Funds for Sewer Work

Pointing out that Barrington has no general bonded indebtedness and for that reason is a good financial risk, Attorney David B. Maloney, on request of the board of trustees, urged the public works administration to reconsider the village's application for a $200,000 loan to finance reconstruction of the sewer system without requiring a municipal bond issue collateral. The letter, mailed last Friday, probably will bring a clarifying answer from Washington before the end of this month.

The board of trustees had recently considered a suggestion from the PWA that the village issue $53,000 in general property bonds to be put up as security for the loan. Interest on the bonds would be paid to public administration to help liquidate the government loan and would therefore lower the proposed sewer rental rate.

The proposal of the village in its original application was that the loan from the government, if made, would be retired by funds raised through sewer rental.

The letter to the PWA stated in part:

"The most urgent reason for this application is that the village, a few years ago, constructed a sewer system and obtained a permit from the health department of Illinois and had its plans approved. Subsequently, the sanitary water board was created in Illinois and an application was filed before this sanitary water board for increas-

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Miss Josephine Parke Is Severely Injured in Car Accident, New Year's Day

Two young women, one of Barrington and the other of Dundee, were severely injured in a headon automobile collision on the Dundee road three miles west of Barrington at about 2:30 a. m., New Year's day. Both cars were damaged beyond repair.

Miss Josephine Parke, 642 Prospect avenue, received four serious cuts on her head. Fourteen stitches had to be taken. The car in which Miss Parke was riding was driven by Harry Wiedenbeck, and the other occupants were Ruth Wiedenbeck and Ray Wichman, all of Barrington. They all received minor injuries.

The accident occurred just west of the viaduct at the west intersection of the Algonquin road. The Barrington car was moving toward the east. The other car was driven by an Elgin man, M. E. Coleson, 30. As it approached the Barrington car it seemed to skid diagonally across the icy pavement and careen into the local car, according to the observations of the occupants of the Barrington car.

Miss Elsie Schuring, 19, of Dundee was severely injured. Her pelvis was fractured, and she received a deep cut on her side. She was taken by an ambulance to the St. Joseph hospital, Elgin. Earl Price, 23, of Elgin and Coleson, the other occupants of the car, received minor injuries.

Four Protestant Churches to Hold Prayer Services

The annual prayer week services of the Salem Evangelical, Methodist Episcopal, First Baptist and St. Paul Evangelical churches will be held from Jan. 7 to Jan. 11, inclusive. These four Protestant churches have cooperated in the annual meetings for several years. The meetings will begin at 7:45 p. m., and members and friends of the churches have been invited to participate in all of the services.

The schedule of services follows:

Monday, Jan. 7, Salem church, service sponsored by the Barrington Young People's commission; Tuesday, Jan. 8, St. Paul church, speaker, Rev. Charles Drussel; Wednesday, Jan. 9, First Baptist church, speaker, Rev. H. E. Koenig; Thursday, Jan. 10, Methodist church, speaker, Rev. Philip Bender; and Friday, Jan. 11, Salem church, speaker, Rev. H. L. Eagle.

Epidemic of Flu Dies Out Quickly as It Appeared

The epidemic of flu and severe colds that has been prevalent in Barrington for the past month, is disappearing almost as rapidly as it came last month.

The younger children suffered most heavily from the epidemic, but the substantial increase in attendance on the opening day of school over the attendance on December 17 when the schools were closed because of the large number of pupils who were absent on account of illness indicates that the epidemic is under control. Few new cases are reported, according to a local physician.

Patty Harris, Age 4, Gains in Stubborn Case of Pneumonia at Hospital

Patty Harris, 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl J. Harris, 709 Magnolia avenue, was taken to the Sherman hospital Sunday night, critically ill with pneumonia.

The young patient had had a severe cold for several days, and Sunday it became considerably worse. Her condition has improved definitely during the week at the hospital, it is reported.

63 Local Scouts Honor Willmering in Surprise Party

False Report of Vandals Brings Scout Leader to Cabin

Sixty-three boy scouts, including a number of cub scouts, and twenty local scout masters and committeemen gave Roy Willmering, boy scout executive committeeman of the northwest council, a surprise birthday party at the new scout cabin Saturday evening.

After the scouts and their leaders had assembled around the fireplace Mr. Willmering was enticed there at 7:30 p. m. by a resident of the neighborhood who had been instructed to report to him that some vandals had broken into the cabin and started a fire. In haste, he summoned Ernst Wessel, night watchman, and they hurried to the cabin with intentions of inflicting due punishment on the supposed culprits. Arriving at the entrance of the cabin they were greeted by a surprise song dedicated to Mr. Willmering.

A program of songs, snake dances, and novelty music numbers founded out the entertainment for the evening. A high light in the entertainment was furnished by William Clinge with his accordian and Charles Lawrence with his violin. They played the old time songs and also accompanied the scouts for many of their songs.

Present Gifts

Birthday presents were given to the honored guest whose birthday anniversary was actually January 1. Mr. Willmering received a full set of military brushes. He was also presented with several other gifts of less obvious practical value. Among them were enough carrots, cabbage, cauliflower, spinach, and the other vegetables for making Mulligan's stew. Mr. Willmering responded with a few words of gratitude after he had sufficiently recovered from the bewilderment of the surprise. Refreshments were served.

Mr. Willmering holds, in addition to his office on the northwest council, an active position among the local scout organizations. The party was given in his honor because he has given so freely of his time and efforts toward the completion of the scout cabin. He has been one of the principal figures in charge of the construction of the cabin.

Infant Son of Clarke Nightingale Sprains Hip in Falling From Chair

Little Earl Nightingale, 20-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarke Nightingale, 441 E. Main street, fell from a rocking chair Saturday night and sprained one of his legs severely at the hip joint. Just how the accident occurred is not known for it was not observed. Earl was taken to the Pelton clinic at Elgin Thursday. It was learned that he would need to remain in bed for at least a week.

35 Merchants to Take Depositors Bank Assignments

Clearing House Will Start Functioning Monday Afternoon

The Barrington Merchants Clearing House association will be in operation, ready to receive applications from depositors for assignment of 10 per cent of their bank deposit credit, at 1 p. m. Monday, B. A. Schroeder, secretary, announced Thursday.

The clearing house has been established, required legal and office forms have been obtained, and the secretary is prepared to go ahead with the plan as announced. The bank receiver's organization at Des Plaines has a few routine steps to take before the secretary can fill out depositor assignment blanks. When these are filled out, they are immediately forwarded to the receiver's organization for verification after which the local secretary sets up credit on the books.

After that the depositors are free to assign their credit for payment of local bills and for purchase of goods at the 35 stores cooperating in the plan. Each depositor who takes advantage of this plan merely makes arrangements with his merchants to take his assignments and then calls at the clearing house office to have the transfer of credit made. He is given receipts made out to the stores where he wishes to pay bills, and these he presents to the stores in exchange for receipted bills for his account.

The clearing house office is in the Standard Motor building. Mr. Schroeder will hold his first office hours there next Monday afternoon. After Monday he will be in his office from 9 a. m. until noon each day.

The places of business which have joined the association and will accept assignments include:

Acme Home Service.
Arnold Food Shop.
Barrington Hudson-Essex Co.
Brewer Motor Sales.
Burandt and Company.
Barrington Review.
J. C. Cadwallader.
J. H. Catlow & Co.
Community Courier.
Dr. W. A. Fanning.
Fredlund Drug Company.
J. S. Gieske Tire Shop.
Gold Star Motor Service.
F. W. Hatje, blacksmith.
Chris Heckmiller.
Dr. E. A. Kleinwachter.
Lageschulte and Hager.
W. N. Landwer & Co.
Dr. F. W. Lindberg.
S. Lipofsky & Sons.
Lohman Home Furnishing Co.
J. A. McLeister.
Miller Brothers.
Miller Oil Company.
Pedersen Dairy.
Peerless Market.
Paul H. Pohlman.
Pure Oil Service Station.
Schauble Brothers & Collins.
Schroeder Hardware.
Schutt Shoe Store.
F. A. Stubbins.
The Shurtleff Co.
Standard Motor Co.
Wente & Klepper.

Several other business houses and professional men have expressed interest in the organization and signified that they might enter next week. Those interested will get in touch with Mr. Schroeder.

All stores have reserved the right to limit the number of assignment payments which they will accept.

James Plagge Now on News Staff of Barrington Review

The Review is pleased to announce that James Plagge, local young man, has joined the staff as news editor. Mr. Plagge has had previous experience in the news office of The Review and will renew old contacts with local officials, club officers and other persons who contribute items for publication.

Mr. Plagge has been a student at the University of Chicago and Rush medical school. Although he is interrupting his course of study for a while, he probably will return to the medical school later.

The Review will appreciate cooperation extended to Jim by local persons.

H. D. Kelsey Candidate for Director of Lake County Pure Milk Assn.

H. D. Kelsey, chairman of the Lake county board of supervisors is a candidate for the office of director of the Lake County Pure Milk association, an office to be filled at the annual meeting of the association at Dietz's Stables, Ivanhoe, late in January.

H. A. Pfister of Prairie View, present director, is a candidate for reelection. W. J. Sawyer of Gurnee, treasurer of the Lake-Cook Farm Supply Co., is also a director.

In view of the impending contest, the district directors are making a special effort to have as many members attend the meeting as possible in order to get out a good vote. All present will be given an opportunity to cast their individual votes, and the delegates will cast only the absent vote.

The district which was formerly Lake county alone now contains the Buffalo Grove and Palatine groups from Cook county increasing the membership to nearly 1100.

C. C. Edwards, Well Known Judge, Dies at Waukegan Home

Death Comes New Year's Eve While His Family Is at Bedside

Attorney Claire C. Edwards, 58, died at his home in Waukegan at about midnight New Year's Eve after a serious heart ailment of about one month.

For 16 years Attorney Edwards was circuit judge of the 17th judicial district. As this district embraces Lake county as well as McHenry, Boone and Winnebago counties, he became well known locally.

When the former jurist was seriously stricken a month ago he was taken to the Victory Memorial hospital at Waukegan. He showed gradual improvement and on Christmas eve he was sufficiently improved to be taken to his home to spend the holidays with his family. During the past week he would have an especially good day, and then he would suffer a serious sinking spell the next. His health did not become extremely grave until shortly before he died.

Appointed Judge

In 1914 Attorney Edwards was appointed to fill the vacancy created by the death of Circuit Judge Charles Whitney. The appointment was by a Democratic governor.

In 1915 he was elected as a Republican judge and reelected by the same party in 1921 and 1927.

In 1930 he resigned to enter private practice, making the explanation at the time that his years in public service had netted him little financially and that it became necessary for him to go into a more lucrative practice in the interests of his family.

The law firm of Claire E. Edwards & Ralph J. Dady was formed, but this lasted but a few months as Dady was elected circuit judge.

Then Attorney Edwards formed a partnership with Attorney Sidney H. Block, for a number of year assistant state's attorney, and later Attorney J. E. Bairstow became a member of the firm, the now is knowns as Edwards, Block & Bairstow.

He became nationally known in 1921 when he heard charge of withholding state monies brought against Len Small, who then was governor. Small was acquited and then Judge Edwards heard charges of jury fixing in connection with the Small case which resulted in another acquital.

In 1932 he created a political sensation when he left the Republican party because he stated he could not support Len Small for governor after hearing the evidence presented in the trials he heard.

During his 16 years on the bench he never was reversed on a criminal case and met with only a few reversals on civic cases.

Reported Better

Miss Nellie Berghorn, in charge of the Barrington General hospital, was feeling much better Thursday after having suffered for a few days from a severe cold. She was able to handle her usual work in the hospital on Thursday.

Local Persons Are Called to Testify in Chase Hearing

Few, If Any, Close Enough to Gun Battle to Identify Outlaw Suspect

More than a dozen Barrington men and women who witnessed part or all of the gun battle along the Northwest highway November 27 when federal agents Herman E. Hollis and Samuel C owley and outlaw Lester Gillis (George Baby Face Nelson) were mortally wounded, have been called to testify before the district attorney in Chicago and to try to identify John Paul Chase as the companion of Nelson in the battle here.

While not divulging the proceedings in the district attorney's office, several witnesses interviewed by a Review reporter, said they had not been close enough to the gangsters to identify one of them later.

H. E. Cooper, who saw part of the battle from the Shell station window 200 feet away, said that the bandits were too far away for him to obtain an impression of their faces. Mrs. Frances Kramer and her son Harold in the Standard station, across the highway from the spot where the outlaws shot from behind their own car, were probably the witnesses nearest them.

Other Barrington persons who saw all or part of the affair included: C. S. McDowell, Ed Hayford, Robert Hayford, Henry Melow, Clarence Lyons, Louis Krunfus, Charles Hawley, John Trestik, Alfred Trestik, Bert Hoffman, Francis Donlea, R. T. Malone, William Gallagher, Mrs. William Meister Jr., and Mrs. Edwin Parke.

Chase was arrested last week at Mount Shasta, Calif. It is believed that his probable identification and arrest were made possible by information divulged by Mrs. Lester Gillis, widow of the slain gangster who is now serving a term in a Michigan reformatory.

According to report, Chase will be brought to trial within two weeks on a charge of murder of Herman Hollis.

Extensive Program to Be Undertaken by Village Board

The village board will have a busy year in 1935 if it accomplishes all the work now on the proposed program, Elden Gieske, president, predicted in an interview Thursday. Several important improvements will be considered by the trustees, and he hopes they will be undertaken, he added.

Among the proposals for civic improvements are the following:

Widening of Main street pavement from 25 feet to 40 feet from Northwest highway to Dundee avenue (except the block between Park avenue and Hough street, already full width). This improvement could be financed by the Cook county road fund, plus a possible allotment from the village share of the gasoline tax receipts.

Surfacing of Dundee avenue from Hillside avenue south to highway 63-A. Financing of this project would be from county funds, if available.

Continue cooperation with the highway 59 committee for completing this highway from Barrington to Wauconda.

Complete the collection from the bank directors who signed the the village deposit bond. All of the directors have paid what they owe except one, Mr. Gieske added.

Get started on a definite program for improving the sewer system and gliminating the legal difficulties which face the village.

Other less important items were suggested in the program.

Mrs. Garnet Rodgers May Return to Her Duties in Local School Next Week

Mrs. Garnet Rodgers, an instructor in the fourth and fifth grades of the local school, is expected to return to Barrington during the early part of next week. She was detained at home in Macomb, Ill. because of the recent death of a sister and the consequent caring for her mother's welfare. Her mother is more than eighty years old.

Miss Lillian Lipofsky is the substitute teacher in charge of Mrs. Rodgers' pupils.