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'Watchdog' Guards Land



A membership drive has been launched for a "watchdog" committee on legislative efforts to protect the area, by Mrs. Mary Caylor.

Mrs. Caylor, a Prospect Heights resident, and member of the North-Lake Shoremen's Association, is leading a drive to have the area designated as a slough. She is asking for help from the community to protect the area from being developed.

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'Smoke-Out' At Prospect

A group of about 30 Prospect High School students staged what might be called a "smoke-out" Friday morning at the high school.

Three students, according to officials at the high school, walked out before the assembly to have a cigarette in the schoolyard. The students then walked back into the building.

The school officials tried to stop them. Some of the students, however, kept walking. The students then walked back into the building.

Principal John H. Deane of Prospect said that the students would be treated as truants if they were not back in the building by 8:30 a.m.

He said that the students apparently were not in the school at 8:30 a.m. and were not back in the building.

Students at Prospect are not permitted to smoke on school property (except other high schools in the district are allowed to smoke on school property).

Swamp May Become Park

Now a swamp, the north end of the 116-acre slough may someday be a wetland park, if Prospect Heights residents have their way.

H. C. Haver, owner of the 116-acre tract south of Willow Road and east of Route 21, has requested a permit from the Cook County Board of Appeals to use the slough as a landfill.

Three cases the recently passed case up for a hearing, and three cases Haver asked for a continuance, at the last hearing, the case was dismissed.

If Haver does not apply for another permit, the Prospect Heights Park District may be able to buy the land. The district wants Haver to make a deal to buy the land.

negotiate on a possible purchase. At that time, it would be up to Haver.

Particularly interested in transferring the slough into a park, are the owners at the north end of the slough.

At one time, the north slough, has been used as a landfill in a preliminary step to building. Residents of property along the north slough think their money was lost when the slough was used as a landfill.

The north slough is now a nature preserve that provides a scenic setting for residents on adjoining property. These residents feel the north slough can be made to look the same.

In addition, filling the north slough may cause flooding in the north slough area.

Absentee Vote Probe Begun

The Cook County State's Attorney's office is investigating a question of propriety in the use of absentee ballots in the 1968 District 10 election.

The investigation was prompted by the Board's review of absentee ballot applications which show 13 ballots mailed to only four receiving addresses, all on the fringe of the 1968 District.

A notice for Philip Crane advised on Aug. 10 that the State's Attorney's office was investigating a question of propriety in the use of absentee ballots in the 1968 District 10 election.

RECORDS IN THE Cook County clerk's office show 13 ballots were mailed to the address. Three other addresses, in St. Charles, Cook County, and near Lake Shore, all single-family homes, received no other mail in 1968.

Rudolf Franzen, a Crane worker, said Thursday night he had called up the list of one Lake Zurich address. He said he had given the absentee ballots to the person for whom they were intended in the 1968 election.

Franzen was interviewed in the Crane Arlington Heights headquarters after he reportedly picked up the ballots. Seven absentee ballot envelopes were on his desk when reporters called in the room and Franzen refused to allow reporters to enter the room.

Franzen told reporters the Lake Zurich address was used by the absentee ballot. The absentee ballot was mailed to the address before she was notified.

Franz Charged in Murder

Robert C. Franz, 36, of Bensenville, is being held in Miami in connection with the death last week of his wife Barbara, 37.

Franz is being held by the U.S. Marshall's office while awaiting appearance before the Federal Court in Miami on Thursday or Friday, according to a U.S. Marshall in Miami.

He paid a warrant of removal and leave to be given by the court before Franz can be released to San Juan, Puerto Rico.

FRANZ IS CHARGED with first degree murder in San Juan, according to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He was charged by FBI agents with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution when he arrived Thursday at Miami International Airport.

The victim's body was found Thursday in the couple's room at the Caribe Hilton Hotel, San Juan, before she was notified.

and that she had been dead for three days before being discovered by a maid.

The Franzen were in San Juan for a vacation of about three days. Franz has operated a gas station on Palmdale and Plum Grove roads in Palmdale for the past two years.

The couple lived at 1008 Mendonbrook, Bensenville Park, with their three children, two boys and a girl.

The victim's brother, Thomas Mennick, was in San Juan Thursday to make funeral arrangements.

Report Tool Theft

A fire, wheel and tools valued at \$100 were stolen from a car parked in a gas station at 5th Street and 10th Avenue, Chicago, police reported.

NOT AS PRETTY

As its picture, the north end of the 116-acre slough has been the subject of a recent rezoning hearing before the Cook County Zoning Board of Appeals. It is still not known if this area will be transformed into a wet land park.

10/06/1969 Residents try to "save the slough" :)

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