

## HOLD DINNER MAY 10 TO ENCOURAGE VOTING

**Better Government Advocate to  
be Guest of Men's Club;  
Parlette is Speaker**

BY W. C. R.

Only 225 men and women can be accommodated at the "Better Government" dinner, to be held on Monday evening, May 10, and at the rate the reservations are now being made every seat will be taken. The dinner will be given under the auspices of a committee representing the churches and other organizations of Wilmette which are interested in stimulating increased interest in governmental affairs, national and state, as well as promoting 100 per cent voting on the part of our citizens.

The affair will be one of the most important events in the history of Wilmette. The dinner will be given by the Men's club of the First Congregational church and special music will be a feature. The program committee, of which Ralph Rise is chairman, has secured Ralph Parlette, who is known throughout the United States as an eloquent and forceful speaker. Mr. Parlette will speak on the subject "Swat the Snake—and Cooperate," a speech which has aroused the enthusiasm of the public throughout the nation.

Here is a chance to mingle with your fellow citizens and prove your interest in the town in which you live. Send in reservations for the dinner to the chairman of the committee, James C. Crossley, Wilmette 967-R. A meeting of the committee on arrangements will be held Monday evening, May 3, at 8 o'clock.

"We hope this dinner and meeting will be a strong indication that our people are conscious of their responsibility as citizens," said a member of the committee in charge of the affair. "It is about time that we realize that we have something to do besides merely draw our breaths. The politicians are lined up against the people now because we are impotent. They sneer at reformers because they are the only men and women who seem to have the nerve to speak out. To the thinking man the sincere reformer is a better friend of good government than is the politician, whose only interest is in his public pay-roll and graft."

"Ride on the 'Broadway Limited' or the '20th Century' and you'll surely sense good railroading; observe the operation of any successful business and you'll just as surely note good business methods. But, just when you read political news, such terms as 'good' or 'better' are entirely missing. And it is all due to the non-voting citizen."

"The stockholders of a railroad, the shareholders or partners of a business demand dividends or profits—and if they are not forthcoming the railroad

### Clement Ley Is Named Water Superintendent

Walter Larsen, superintendent of the Kenilworth Water department, and Charles Lance and Arthur Montenegro, engineers, have resigned, it was learned this week, when the appointment of others to take their places was announced by village officials. Clement C. Ley, former motorcycle policeman in the village, has been named as superintendent and Arne Mark and E. F. Fellows as engineers. Patrolman V. C. Faulstick has been appointed motorcycle policeman to take Ley's place. No one has been taken on to fill his position as yet, it was said.

The Reading circle will meet with Mrs. H. B. Gates at her home, 1317 Oak avenue, Evanston, Monday afternoon, May 3.

## Sings at Club Luncheon



Frederick Newell Wood, tenor, Catherine Wade Smith, violinist, and Erma Blaine McKendry are the artists who will entertain at the Spring luncheon of the Woman's club of Wilmette, to be held at the Edgewater Beach hotel, Wednesday, May 5. The luncheon will begin at 1:45 o'clock. Mr. Wood is one of Chicago's leading tenors. He is said by critics to have an excellent voice and a great future is predicted for him. Miss Smith is at present engaged in concert work in New York and during the past season was the soloist with the Symphony orchestra at New Trier High school. Mrs. Kendry is well known for her ability as a dramatic reader. Reservations for the luncheon can be made with Mrs. E. D. Fuchs, 1043 Chestnut street, it is announced.

### Name Laird Bell as President of the Theatre Guild

Percy B. Eckhart, who has been president of the North Shore Theatre guild since its organization five years ago, has resigned because of pressure of other work and Laird Bell of Winnetka has been elected his successor.

Guy Stuart Bailey and Mrs. Laird Bell have resigned from the board of directors and it is contemplated that a number of new members will be elected to the board in the near future.

Alexander Dean will continue as director of the guild for next year. He left this week for Indianapolis to coach the Stuart Walker company (professional) there during the summer. That company, incidentally, will probably give some of the plays which the North Shore guild has given, such as "Ice-Bound" and "Mary the Third."

The guild is receiving subscriptions for next year's series, and the subscription blanks distributed at the performance of "Enchanted April" have brought an encouraging response to date.

### ATTEND CHURCH SESSIONS

Dr. Stephen A. Lloyd, minister of the First Congregational church, and Warren Darst, a prominent member of that church, will attend the sessions of the Illinois State conference of Congregational churches to be held at Quincy, Ill., Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week.

### Trustees Will Sport New Glass-top Desks

Nothing slow about our Village trustees. Not much!

Here's the latest to prove they're up and coming.

Within a week or so the desk of every trustee will be glass-topped—just like downtown, and Trustee Elmer Becker promises to see that the job is done at a ridiculously moderate cost, he having a fine "drag" with some salvaging company in Chicago.

Underneath the glass tops will be new maps, or, better still, maps of the new Wilmette that stretches its western frontiers to the newly constructed Skokie Valley route of the North Shore line.

Pretty nifty, eh, what?

### Attend Big Education Conference at DeKalb

Superintendent of Schools J. R. Harper left late this week to attend the twenty-first annual meeting of the Superintendents' and Principals' association of Northern Illinois, which is being held today and tomorrow at the Northern Illinois State Teachers' college at DeKalb. Other Wilmette educators who are attending the meeting are Miss Margaret Hayes, principal of the Stolp school, L. F. Todd, principal of the Howard school and Miss Doris Turner. Mr. Harper is a member of the executive committee of the organization.

## CHEST DIRECTORS URGE MORE GENERAL RESPONSE

**Arden Shore, Infant Welfare Society and Others Groups Depending on Wilmette**

Captains are reporting successful solicitations in most districts in the annual Wilmette Community Chest campaign—the unified solicitation for all recognized charity and welfare agencies—but many people have failed to realize the importance of the campaign, according to leaders who are directing the enterprise.

The several participating charities are dependent upon the money they receive from the Chest to carry on their work, it is explained, and should the residents of the village fail to contribute the amount which has been designated—\$25,000—such splendid institutions as Arden Shore and Infant Welfare will suffer.

The officers and campaign committee of the Chest association feel that the honor of Wilmette is at stake in this matter and they are determined that the drive must not fail. In some districts, because of sickness and other good or indifferent reasons there is a shortage of workers, it is stated. There are men who like to fulfill their community obligations and to such who have not been asked to help in this work, the directors of the campaign now extend an invitation to communicate with the district captains in their neighborhoods and offer their services in this notable work.

District captains in the campaign are:

1. S. M. Peterson, 295 17th street.
- 1A. J. D. Cox, 1316 Hill street.
- 1B. S. H. Loughrin, 212 Wood court.
- 2A. A. E. Klunder, 1531 Spencer avenue.
- 2B. W. H. Dodds, 720 Prairie avenue.
3. C. Herbert Jones, 1514 Forest avenue.
- 3A. Henry Fowler, 1404 Forest avenue.
4. J. H. Schaefer, 809 Ridge avenue.
5. Raymond A. Smith, 1334 Elmwood avenue.
- 5A. Charles E. Heckler, 1109 Greenwood avenue.
6. Dr. P. B. A. Idler, 932 Ashland avenue.
- 6A. Walter S. Campbell, 829 Elmwood avenue.
7. Ralph H. Rice, 1007 Thirteenth street.
- 7A. Dr. D. W. Rapp, 1137 Central avenue.
- 7B. J. D. Roth, 1124 Forest avenue.
8. Charles L. Wachs, 934 Elmwood avenue.
- 8A. L. F. Gates, 723 8th street.
9. A. B. Seibold, 522 Forest avenue.
- 9A. W. D. Lawrence, 520 Lake avenue.
10. Dr. O. H. Bersch, 1177 Wilmette avenue.
- 10A. John C. Koenen, 129 Ninth street.
- 10B. W. D. Leary, 430 Tenth street.
11. C. F. Kremer, 723 Laurel avenue.
- 11A. W. O. Morris, 112 9th street.
12. E. C. Trankler, 622 Greenleaf avenue.
- 12A. A. L. Miller, 106 6th street.
13. R. M. Johnston, 210 Golf terrace.

### Knights of Columbus to Have Communion Sunday

Ouilmette Council, Knights of Columbus will celebrate the annual council communion at St. Joseph's church Sunday morning, May 2. The Rev. Joseph Rubey, chaplain of the council, will be the celebrant and preach the sermon.

Breakfast will be served the members in the basement of St. Joseph's school following the services. Members of St. Mary's Sodality will serve.

### SPEAKS AT ARDEN SHORE

Mrs. Theron Colton, one of the frequent visitors at Arden Shore camp, and one always delighting the boys with her fascinating bird and star lore, will talk to the members of the winter camp on Monday, May 3.