

SPEAKS IN AID OF HANDICAPPED

Dr. M. H. Bickham of Wilmette Addresses Minneapolis Audience on Work

Dr. M. H. Bickham, superintendent of the Central Placement Bureau for Handicapped Workers of Chicago, who is a resident of Wilmette, was called to Minneapolis last week to report on the developments in placing handicapped workers during the unemployment crisis. Reports of this work have been given in previous issues of WILMETTE LIFE.

Basing his conclusions on the developments in the Chicago operations and research work in other cities, Dr. Bickham is recommending the formation of a national council for handicapped workers. This agency is designed to meet the depressed social and economic conditions of handicapped workers. Dr. Bickham's plan provides for raising a national endowment of \$10,000,000 and the development of one hundred placement centers along lines similar to the Chicago center. Such a move will go far toward relieving one segment of unemployment, and a segment in which the evidence shows much social distress prevails, it is explained.

Dr. Bickham's studies show that handicapped persons are increasing more rapidly than the social means for meeting the consequent economic problems of these workers. Statistics show that at least 2,500,000 children are physically handicapped. Hearing, sight, hands, feet and legs or heart and lungs and other vital organs may

be impaired. Such children come up into our speeded up industrial systems with severe handicaps. These conditions must be met by cooperative social action by the community at large.

Evidence in hand indicates that many hundreds of thousands of persons are industrially handicapped each year by accidents on the highways and railways and in the factories and homes of the nation.

The latest compilation shows that over a million adult persons with industrial handicaps are now caught in the meshes of our involved industrial system. Most of them without employment. These handicapped workers are marginal workers and soon pushed out in any unemployment crisis. So action on a national scale is needed to meet the social and economic problems of these handicapped workers. Dr. Bickham's reports and plans submitted to the national conference of social work are directed toward meeting these problems in our present unemployment crisis and the years that lie ahead.

Mr. and Mrs. Murdo Ross of 727 Cummings avenue, Kenilworth, with their three children, motored to Cleveland on Wednesday, June 24. With them were Mrs. Ross' father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Jockers, who have been recent guests at the Ross home.

George Forest Gillett of 533 Roslyn road, Kenilworth is home from Sewanee, Tenn. With him as is guest is Sam Foulkes of Selma, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis A. Stoner of 152 Robsart road, Kenilworth entertained at a small dinner June 15, for Mrs. John Wilds of Kenilworth.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES

"Christian Science" will be the subject at the services in the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Wilmette, Sunday morning, June 28, at 11 o'clock. Sunday school convenes at 9:45 o'clock.

Mrs. S. H. Horner and daughter, Katherine Anne, of Beatrice, Neb. are with Mrs. G. R. Savage of 640 Kenilworth avenue, Kenilworth for the summer. Mrs. Horner is the sister of Mrs. S. H. Moore of 707 Laurel avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Taylor of 431 Essex road, Kenilworth spent a recent week-end with former residents of Kenilworth, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Reichmann of Barrington.

Cedric Smith of 205 Essex road, Kenilworth is away on a business trip for a month.

ENTERTAIN AT CLUB

Mrs. George Birkhoff, 329 Warwick road, Kenilworth, entertained at a luncheon for twelve at Indian Hill club Thursday, June 18. The guests played bridge in the afternoon. The affair was given in honor of Mrs. George A. Samuels of Pittsburgh who is visiting Mrs. Birkhoff.

Mrs. Alfred McDougal of 325 Abbottsford road, Kenilworth, is entertaining her niece, Miss Eleanor Jack of Peoria. Miss Jack has just graduated from Smith college.

Joe White, son of Mrs. J. J. White of 159 Sheridan road, Winnetka returned Friday, June 19, from Andover, Mass.

Miss Betty Knight, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Knight of 515 Kenilworth avenue, is visiting her aunt at Hazelhurst, near Minocqua, Wis.



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