

Central-Laurel P. T. A. News

The Stolp-Central-Laurel Parent-Teacher association started the year very auspiciously Tuesday night with a talk by Howard Vincent O'Brien, whose daily column appears in the Chicago Daily News. The meeting was held in the Stolp gymnasium and it was a most agreeable surprise to those present to see the improvement in the appearance of the auditorium brought about by a thorough cleaning of the brick walls, and the judicious use of new paint.

Mr. O'Brien discussed the purpose of education from several new angles, and his talk was interspersed with flashes of ironic humor that kept the audience chuckling. He criticized our educational policy that taught a child to read, but did not teach it to criticize its reading. As a result we are turning out an enormous population of gullible people who believe anything they hear or read. The "hokey" that comes to us over the radio and through the magazines and press would not be tolerated by a critical discriminating public that had been taught in school to pick the false from the true. The purpose of education, in his opinion, was to free the soul, to produce a happy, productive, integrated human being, and toward this end a person should be taught how to spend the leisure hours in pleasurable creative interests. The real educators were those who found the sensitive spots in a child's soul and developed them. To this development the practical education of the three R's should be added.

Mrs. Lowell D. Snori presided at the meeting. Mr. Harper spoke cheerfully of the financial condition of the school this year. Mrs. M. H. Bickham, as membership chairman, made a plea for parents to support the school by joining P. T. A. The program chairman, Mrs. G. A. Quinlan, is to be congratulated upon presenting as interesting a speaker as Mr. O'Brien.

A social hour followed in charge of Mrs. Hoesli.

This season's ballroom dancing classes commenced Friday, October 13, in Stolp Assembly hall, with a splendid enrollment. A slight change in the grouping has been made and the classes meet as follows:

Third and fourth grades at 3 o'clock.

Fifth and sixth grades at 4 o'clock.

Seventh grade at 5 o'clock.

Eighth grade only—fortnightly—on October 27, November 10, and December 8 and 22.

Classes in ballet and tap dancing commenced Monday, October 16 and will continue each Monday for term of ten lessons. These classes are taught by Alice Stade of Wilmette and the lessons are given in the Central street building of the school. Mrs. D. Porter Empfield has charge of the registration, Wilmette 4452.

Miss Stade has been very successful in her work and limits her classes in ballet to a small number. If your child has been wishing for this type of dancing, will you not call Miss Stade or Mrs. Empfield?

Ballet, ages 5 to 8 years, at 3 o'clock.

Tap, all ages, at 4 o'clock.

Ballet, ages 9 to 14 years, at 5 o'clock.

Mrs. Herman Lapat, 515 Central avenue, entertained at a bridge luncheon Tuesday in honor of Mrs. Mary Garside of Scarsdale, N. Y. and of Miss Gladys Holden of London, England, who are house guests of the Lewis Edmonds family in Winnetka.

North Shore Girls Have Roles in Musical Drama

The drama and music classes, the glée club and the dancing classes of the Holy Child High school in Waukegan are working together on one of the Paul Bliss musical dramas for presentation to the public within the next two weeks.

The dramatic work is going forward under the auspices of Miss Therese Cuny, a graduate and a member of the Chicago School of Expression and Dramatic Art. After having received the degree of master of oratory, Miss Cuny taught dramatic art for several years in the schools of Chicago's north side. As a member of the board of directors of the Loyola Community theater, Miss Cuny has played an important part in the development of that project.

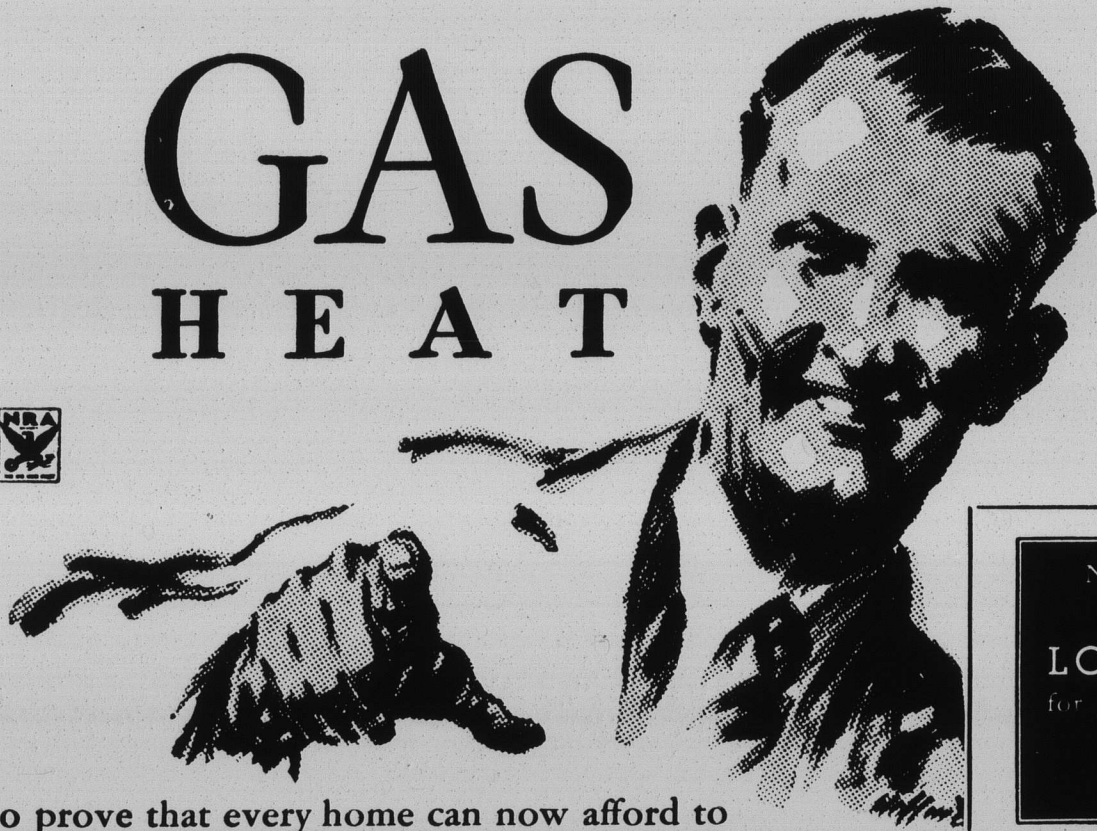
Among the main characters are two representatives of Kenilworth,

Zo de La Chapelle who impersonates an Indian chief, and Shirley Claffey who is one of the dancers. From Glencoe comes Ruthmary Cardy who is one of the "Flaming Arrows," and from Wilmette and Evanston, Christine Sinclair—a dancer—and Betty and Jane Pryor who on alternate evenings play the part of the queen.

Mr. and Mrs. William W. Lill, 119 Abingdon avenue, Kenilworth, entertained eighteen guests Friday of last week at dinner in honor of Mildred Leo Clemens, who is here in an official capacity for the City of San Francisco. During the evening, Miss Clemens, who is a cousin of Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain), gave a delightful talk, from her slides taken in Haiti last winter. The Lills spent two months visiting there. Miss Clemens was gathering data for her new book on Haitian territory.

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