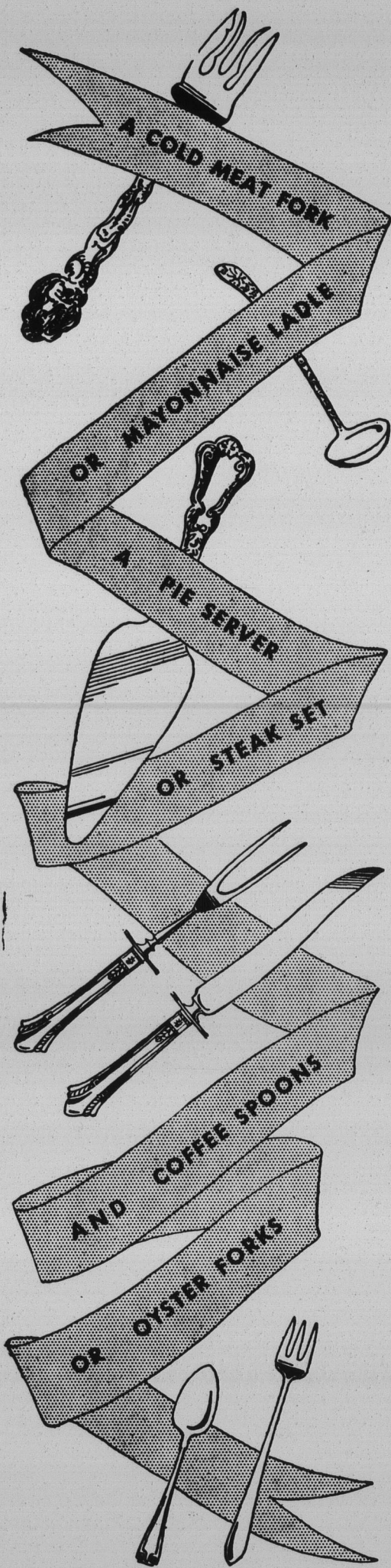


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Charities Seek Odds and Ends for Work Rooms

"Will you look in your bureau drawers for a scrap of ribbon, silk, feathers, beads, or any odds and ends, which can be used for trimming hats and dresses?" questions Mrs. William A. Elliott, 650 Blackthorn road, Winnetka, north shore chairman of the United Charities Garment committee.

Mrs. Elliott requests that any of the above articles be sent to her, and they will then be taken to the work room of the United Charities in Chicago, where forty-five people, otherwise unemployed, are given work making over garments, retrimming hats, or putting into wearable condition used clothing which has been donated to the charities for Chicago's needy.

Mrs. Francis R. Dickinson, 1518 Astor street, Chicago, is general chairman of the garment committee, which is being run on principles advocated by the president—that of giving work wherever possible rather than charity. Used clothing is greatly needed, especially men's suits and women's wool dresses. Mrs. Elliott and the members of her committee hope that the wisdom of giving work to these otherwise unemployed tailors, dressmakers, and milliners will so appeal to the women of the north shore that they will bring usable notions and clothing to her.

Harry Brown, who attends Kenyon college in Ohio, arrived Wednesday of last week to spend the Thanksgiving holidays with his family, the Robert Browns, at the Kenilworth Inn. He returned Sunday.

With the actual work of improving the Skokie valley now well under way, it is interesting to note that this undertaking was planned, much in the same manner, a quarter of a century ago, a project, which at that time was frankly declared to be "twenty-five years ahead of the game."

It was in 1909 that Frank A. Windes, Winnetka village engineer, prepared a comprehensive plan for Skokie drainage and improvement and submitted it to Daniel Burnham, father of the Chicago plan and director of the Chicago Plan commission, with the suggestion that it be incorporated in the then formative design of the "Chicago Plan."

Both the plan and suggestion, Mr. Windes relates, were heartily approved, but, declared Mr. Burnham, "you are at least twenty-five years ahead of the game."

And so it has proved to be. January 1, 1934, only three weeks hence, will mark the twenty-five years since that most accurate prediction, and the project is now completely launched.

The accompanying map, made by Mr. Windes in 1909, contemplates a system of lagoons, scenic drives, appropriate landscape development—in fact, a great playground for the north shore.

The 1909 plan was even more comprehensive, in many ways, than the provisions of the one now in progress. Its author planned to extend the development into Lake county, as far north as Lake Bluff, and tie it up with the Chicago development to the south.

In the 1909 plans were included not only the proposed improvement of the Skokie valley from Wilmette to Highland, but also the vast acres to the west, then a wide open section

Organist to Present Recital Next Tuesday

Theodore Scheerer, organist and choirmaster at the Wilmette English Lutheran church will present a recital in the church Tuesday evening, December 12, at 8 o'clock. He will be assisted by the choir of the church. The program follows:

"Tosca and Fugue" in D Minor	Bach
"Evensong"	Johnston
"Spinning Song"	Mendelssohn
Anthem by the Choir	
"God is my Salvation"	Federlein
"Funeral March" and Chant	
Seraphique	Guilmant
Solo, "Praise to the Lord"	Allitson
Mr. Frank Dorband	
"Nocturn in Eb"	Chopin
"At the Fountain" and "Night Song"	Rheinhold
Anthem by the Choir	
"O Holy Night," a Christmas Anthem	Adams
Grand Offertory in Dop. 8	Ratiste

Mrs. Leonard Starkel, 906 Elmwood avenue, entertained her Pot Luck club at luncheon Tuesday.

of higher ground, out of which has since been carved either highly developed farms, country estates, golf courses, Forest Preserve or prosperous villages.

In 1909 the "sewer outlets" were into the lake, along with the "water intakes," as will be noted by the shore line markings in the picture. Elimination of the "sewer outlets" into the lake, as well as into the Skokie, were contemplated in Mr. Windes' plans a quarter of a century ago, for even in those days they were proving a serious menace to the water supply.

It was three years later, or in 1912, that this change was made, when the intercepting sewers were built, carrying the sewage to large disposal plants in Chicago.