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TOWN PLANNING

It is costing the city of Chicago millions of dollars to do, late in the day, that which it should have done in the morning. The great boulevard which extends many miles north and south has barely squeezed itself, in places, between the canyon walls of high buildings and factories. Into this constricted artery of the city's vital stream runs the constant flow of traffic—wagons, taxis, trucks, and human beings. For years this narrow bottle-neck outlet from the great Michigan Avenue on the north, has been a veritable cauldron of animal energy, a hindrance to business and transportation, a menace to safety, and a disgrace to modern efficiency.

Chicago lived in this condition for years because Chicago did not do her city planning in the first place, and naturally disliked to undertake the responsibility of tearing down good buildings to make room for a thoroughfare.

Nothing of this kind has faced Highland Park as yet, but the time is coming when these same problems, to a greater or less degree, will present themselves for solution. No modern growing city today should be without its city plan, and city plan committee. And then, in every kind of city improvement and expansion, its people should work consistently towards that ideal.

WHO WILL PAY THE FREIGHT?

Railroads: this is the question as vital just now as any single matter touching our national welfare today, and we are all concerned. Railroads are a part of our life; in fact they lie at the very roots of our existence. Shall these great properties, so potent in our national life, go back to private ownership or remain permanently in government hands?

The transportation system was taken over by the government for two reasons: first, because the companies could not operate in harmony under private management, and second, because the Brotherhoods were preparing a general strike.

The United States found herself trying to compel the railroads to get together, at the very same time in which she was carrying on a criminal proceeding against some of them for getting together. Under such conditions the government was forced either to take over the railroads or to repeal the Anti-trust Act.

It is apparent that the solution of the present problem hinges on the question of the future business policy of this country. Harmony of operation and the Sherman law as expounded in the Great Northern case cannot exist at the same time. Unified operation under private ownership can only come when Congress is ready to amend the Sherman Act. That the Act should be amended, no thinking man doubts. American business cannot meet world-wide competition with the United States acting as policeman to prevent combination; and Congress has already made provision for contingency with reference to foreign trade. Are we ready for this change of policy internally? If so, we can consider returning the railroads to their owners.

THE NEW CENTER

It is a wholesome sight to watch the Tuesday evening dance crowds foregather at the Army and Navy Center. The soft lights are on, the furniture moved back against the walls of the spacious new room, the door from the street is opening and closing on happy young guests, just arriving. Hostesses for the evening are moving about the room or talking in groups, the orchestra is leisurely tuning up while a Jackie is sifting wax on the floor through a large tin grater. Here indeed is the spirit of home and hospitality.

The Center is a thing to which the people of Highland Park can point with pride. It is our little community house, and if there be any who have never seen the great necessity for a large community house, let him come to the Center some Tuesday night and watch its happy throng.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL NEWS

Lloyd Larson, who has been at the Philadelphia Navy Yards for the past few months, has returned home, having been honorably discharged.

Mrs. H. M. Butler is spending a few days in Belvidere visiting her parents.

Miss Florence McLaughlin spent the week end visiting Miss Florence Corcoran of Everett.

Mr. John Gallagher is confined to his home with an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bjorkman are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, born Saturday, March 8th.

Mr. Nathaniel Kust returned home Monday evening from New York City where he has been stationed. He has been honorably discharged from the service.

Mrs. F. N. Bard left Monday for New Orleans where she will visit her mother for several weeks.

Miss M. A. Ernst will hold the annual spring opening of millinery tomorrow and Saturday at her shop, 4 N. Sheridan Road.

Mrs. M. H. McCaffrey had as her guests last Thursday, Mrs. F. S. Baker and son, Arthur, of Woodlawn.

Miss Bessie Carolan and Miss Mildred Kepner spent the week end in Chicago visiting Miss Margaret Carolan.

George Rudolph has returned from the Highland Park hospital, where he had his tonsils removed.

Lieut. Col. and Mrs. W. C. F. Nicholson are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son on Saturday at St. Luke's hospital. They have been making their home with Mrs. Nicholson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Carry of 1200 Lake Shore drive, since Mr. Nicholson resigned from the army. They will name the baby Edward Carry Nicholson. Mrs. Nicholson was formerly Miss Ermina Carry of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. MacPherson and their daughter, Mrs. Clyde Hise, have returned from Florida.

Bishop W. F. Heil of Allentown, Pa., is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Edward Hintz, of Oakwood Ave.

Miss Helen Gleaser is spending this week in Madison, Wis., visiting relatives.

Word was received last Saturday that Leslie McCaffrey, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. McCaffrey has recently been promoted to first lieutenant. Lt. McCaffrey is stationed at Rancourt, France, in the Ordnance Department.

Mrs. Frederick T. Golden and small son, Frederick, Jr., is spending a few weeks with her mother, Mrs. M. C. Conrad.

Mrs. Leonard A. Watkins and daughter, Adelle, have returned after spending the holidays in Colorado and making an extended visit in California.

Mrs. Fred Rudolph is spending this week in Bloomington, Ill.

Miss Ruth Shadle of Area was the week end guest of Mrs. Robert Pease.

Mr. and Mrs. Creeb Burnelle and children of Chicago were the week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Abercromby.

Mrs. Balaine of McDaniels Ave. has been on the sick list for the past week.

Mrs. Charles Finnegan of Milwaukee, Wis., was the Sunday guest of Mrs. Herbert L. Mead.

Mr. George Clark, who has been confined to his home for the past few weeks with influenza, is very much improved and able to be around again.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Fletcher have moved into their home at 371 Laurel Ave.

Mr. Harry Koach and family will move very soon to a farm two miles west of this city. Mr. Koach, who has been employed as a night driver on the fire truck, has resigned his position. The vacancy will be filled by Mr. Winnie Glader who has been driving for the merchants' delivery.

Dr. and Mrs. H. F. Evans of Grinnell, Ia., are spending two weeks with Mr. Evans' parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Evans.

Mr. Henry Schinleber of Geneseo, Ill., visited his sisters, Mrs. J. Vetter and Mrs. Kate Bock, on Sunday and Monday of this week.

Gray Stubbs, son of Mrs. W. C. Stubbs, and who has been stationed in France since October, returned home Monday, having been honorably discharged. He was a member of the 83rd Co., 6th Regiment Marines.

Relatives and friends of the 108th Engineers are invited to attend the meeting of the Auxiliary held the second and fourth Fridays at 2:30 p. m., Auditorium Hotel; first Friday of each month, 1102 Stevens Building; third Sunday of each month at 2:30 p. m., 1102 Stevens Building.

The Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church meets this afternoon with Mrs. Katherine Kelly of Clay Ave.

Corp. John Kelly, who has been stationed at Camp Grant has returned home, having been honorably discharged.

M. E. CHURCH

The Centenary

The growing constituency roll is a constant reminder that the responsibility accompanying church membership and the Christian profession is not a thing to be winked at or to be worn as a convenient cloak to cover a multitude of sins. That to hold a place of official dignity in the church means more than either to advocate or obstruct church policies and then look wise. The feeling is growing that the work of the church is the most important of all work and must be given a large and definite place in our thoughts and hearts; must receive a definite amount of our time; and commands a definite consecration of our means and powers. The glory and fulness of joy and the greatness of life comes to those who meet in an intelligent, and voluntary manner these conditions of discipleship.

Work Among the Soldiers

Because of the ban placed on passes at Fort Sheridan on the 8th the entertainment for the men was called off. Last Saturday evening we were expecting a great falling off in the attendance because of the experience of the previous week, the absence of the pastor and the utter lack of publicity among the men. But we were booked for one of the surprises of our lives. Not only were the old familiar faces in evidence but new men from the convalescent wards were present. We are assured of a still greater number of new men this week. The short preliminary religious service, the fine program following and the games and stunts accompanied by the genuine entertainment afforded by those in the hypnotic sleep, all these are growing in popularity and conspire to make the Saturday evening open house occasions at the church an indispensable part of the soldier's life.

Church Services

Wednesday, 7:30—Prayer service. St. John's Gospel is the subject of Sunday services—Sunday School at 9:30; morning worship at 10:45; Junior League at 3 p. m.; Epworth League at 6:30; Evening evangelistic service at 7:30. You can do no better than to join us in these services.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Bible School will meet at 9:30. The regular morning service will be at 11:00.

The instruction class for those who its meeting on Tuesday at the responsibility of joining the church will be held at the manse at 5:00.

The Westminster Guild will hold its meeting on Tuesday at the residence of Mrs. George Koon on East Park Ave.

The prayer-meeting will be held on Wednesday night at 8:00.

The communion of the Lord's Supper will be held at morning service on the first Sunday in April. Those who expect to join by letter or on confession of their faith in Christ the minister will be glad to interview.

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on the night of Monday, April 7th, and will be preceded by a dinner under the auspices of the Dorcas society. The dinner will be 50 cents per plate and all members of the church and congregation are invited to attend.

Will those who received their primary ballots through the mail this week please return them filled out as soon as possible?

H. P. WOMAN'S CLUB

The Highland Park Woman's Club met last Tuesday afternoon at Witten Hall. Miss Marley most pleasingly did a group at the piano and Mrs. Alfred Martin told in a very comprehensive manner of the work being done for the blind at St. Dunstan's, England, and how similar work is being furthered in this country.

The next meeting is Tuesday, April 1st, at two-thirty o'clock. Further notices concerning same will be given later.

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RAVINA SCHOOL

On Tuesday evening, March 25, at 8:00 o'clock, in the Ravinia Village House, Miss Marietta Johnson of Fairhope, Ala., and of Greenwich, Conn., is to talk on "Democracy and Education."

This meeting is planned by the teachers and parents of Ravinia School and a cordial invitation is extended to all who are interested in Mrs. Johnson's educational experiment.

Those who enjoyed the evening with her five years ago, at the home of Mrs. Kimball, will be eager to hear of the further developments of this school in the South.

Her engagement for the two weeks of her stay near Chicago are as follows:

- March 17, Monday afternoon, National Kindergarten College; Monday evening, Oak Park.
March 18, Tuesday afternoon, Oak Park; Tuesday evening, School of Education.
March 19, Wednesday afternoon, Glencoe School; Wednesday evening, Winnetka Woman's Club.
March 20, Thursday afternoon, Chicago Woman's Aid; Thursday evening, Francis Parker School.
March 21, Friday afternoon, Public School Kindergarten Association; Friday evening, Francis Parker School.
March 22, Saturday noon, Men's City Club; Saturday afternoon, Chicago Women's Club.
March 24, Monday afternoon, Rogers Park.
March 25, Tuesday afternoon, Rogers Park Women's Club; Tuesday evening, Ravinia School, Ravinia.
March 26, Wednesday evening, Winnetka Women's Club.

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