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## TALKS TO THE PUBLIC BY THE N. S. GAS CO.

### TO GET BEST EFFICIENCY

North Shore Gas Company inaugurates series of advertising talks to be published weekly

Starting last week the North Shore Gas Co. is conducting a series of advertising talks which are very unusual in their general tone. These talks are going to be addressed to the public and also to the employees of the company. The first one appeared today and its caption is "Fuel Weather." This subject, as will be seen, covers a general situation that the Gas Co. has to handle. It touches on the cost and on the service which the company carries on, and explains how in subsequent talks the company plans taking the public into its confidence and explaining their methods of conducting their business.

The second advertisement will have the heading "Your Dollar and Our Dollar." This goes on to show that the dollar you use buys just as little for you as the dollar the Gas Co. uses in buying its material, paying its help, etc. It urges the public to remember that the old high cost of living has stopped the purchasing power of their dollar the same as it has the public's dollar.

The third talk bears the heading, "The Empire." The thought in this talk is that the empire in the same between the Gas Co. and the public is the public utilities; commission which plan to see that both the company and the public get the square deal. The article goes on to show how the decisions are made by the utilities commission in conformity with laid out rules. It cannot deviate from and which makes the price of gas to the consumer accordingly. This article shows how the cost of producing gas is arrived at and how the utilities commission bases the price of gas to the consumer accordingly. It specifies a number of instances to prove that the Gas Co. has had a hard fight for the past few years and show how it is impossible to cut the cost of material used in producing gas and also adds the thought that it is harder on the Gas Co. to increase the gas price than it is the consumer. Because it means the hauling of their expansion to a big extent.

The fourth article has the heading, "The Giant Keepers." This article has reference to the big gas works on the lake shore and the use of the word Giant is made to show how the gas plant is always on the job. The giant keepers, it is explained are the men who put their money into the property and the Gas Co. employees. It shows how the job of keeping gas in the mains that are constantly being used by the public is a big one and this means that money must come from outside sources if revenue from gas sales fall.

The fifth article is called the "Trouble Shooter." The trouble shooter, it is explained, is the complaint man at the Gas Co., the fellow who responds promptly to all customers who are dissatisfied with their service or who are having trouble with their appliances. But in the broadest sense it is explained, the employees of the Gas Co. all are trouble shooters because they are all trying to locate any trouble which the company can remedy. It is explained how these trouble shooters try to be courteous at all times and the inference is that the public can do the same thing.

The last talk will be on "Good Will Builders." It is explained how the Gas Co. from the president down has a force which is trying to build up the good will of all communities concerned. The company expects the public to work with them along that line. It shows how the company has taken back the men who did overseas service and that it has organized the new business department on the basis of good will building. Furthermore the company plans getting in personal touch with all subscribers to see what can be done to improve the service in the home. And this last appeal asks the customers to give a few minutes time to the representative when he calls to discuss the nature of the appliances and the general service that is being given. It is pointed out that the man will not try to sell you something you do not need for his job merely.

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## AVALANCHE OF POEMS RECEIVED BY PRESS

"8:09 Train" Poem Published Last Week Brings to Light Undiscovered Geniuses

The poem on the 8:09 train, written by Burrige D. Butler, and published in last week's issue of The Press, has stirred up a whole museum of masterpieces. Why, the woods is full of poets! Every log and covert apparently contains a songster who has just been flushed from his hiding place into the light of day.

The Press regrets that, for lack of space, it is unable to publish them all. There is one written in righteous indignation by a man who is a regular passenger on the 6:59 every morning. In his opinion the 8:09ers are a loggy and a sleepy lot who think they are getting up early when as a matter of fact they are enjoying all the perquisites of the idle rich. His outburst of self-congratulation would, no doubt, put the arrogant 8:09ers where they belong, but unfortunately The Press is not a melting pot for poets, much as it would like to follow that line. If, perchance, it ever happens to look sideways, as it often does, into meandering vistas of art and letters, it is brought up short by the essential facts of life, confronted by h. c. i. and the grim necessities of "business."

## WED. HARRY MOREY IN "HIS OWN PEOPLE"

Thursday, Vaudeville, Feature and Comedy, Friday, Gladys Leslie in "The Soap Girl"

The following program will be presented at Bartlett Theatre, Highwood next week:

Sunday, Tom Mix in "The Coming of the Law" also a two reel Century Comedy; Tuesday, Anne Luther and Charles Hutchinson in "In the Great Gamble," also Pathe News, Lloyd Comedy and Mutt and Jeff; Wednesday, Harry Morey in "In His Own People," also Vitagraph Comedy; Thursday, Vaudeville, Feature and Comedy; Friday, Gladys Leslie in "The Soap Girl," also Vitagraph Comedy; Saturday, Elmo Lincoln and Grace Cunard in "Elmo The Mighty" also International News and a two reels Universal Comedy.

## EXMOOR HARVEST HOME DINNER AND DANCE

Annual Affair to be Held on Saturday. Numerous Dinner Parties to be Given

The Harvest Home Dinner and Dance of the Exmoor Club will be held Saturday evening. This is an annual affair of the Club and marks the closing of the season's activities. Plans are being made for a very attractive affair, decorations being carried out in keeping with the Autumn season. A number of dinner parties will be given and among those to entertain are: Mr. and Mrs. Percy B. Eckhardt, Mrs. George Schofield, Mr. L. Ullmann, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. George Moore, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Kellog, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Isull, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Burnham, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Galloway, Mr. and Mrs. Burton Marsh, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Lafean.

## MARVIN WITTEN MEETS WITH ACCIDENT, SUN.

Marvin Witten, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Witten, while on a hunting trip with several friends last Sunday morning, stumbled over a stump, fell and broke his left arm between the wrist and elbow.

He was taken to the Highland Park hospital where the bone was set. He is getting along nicely.

## MAYOR HASTINGS SAHS FOR EUROPEAN TRIP

Mayor and Mrs. Samuel M. Hastings and Mrs. H. H. Hitchcock sailed from New York last Wednesday for London, England. They will be gone about two months, spending some time in England and later visiting the continent.

## WOULD CHANGE NAME OF HIGHLAND PARK

RESIDENT OBJECTS TO 'PARK'

Mr. L. E. Jones in Open Letter to The Press Suggests that the Name Ravinia be Adopted

To the Editor:  
Dear Sir:

Highland Park is a wide-awake, progressive city, and not once in all the time I have been here, twenty years or thereabout, have I been sorry I came. But there is one thing that keeps it, in my opinion, from going ahead faster, and that is—its name. There is a great deal in a name. Why should the word "park" be added? It is not a park. It is a city. Besides there is no more hackneyed word in the language than the word park. Countless are the places in and around Chicago which have the word park as part of their names—Gross Park, Irving Park, Rogers Park, Hyde Park, Oak Park, Palos Park, Morgan Park, Melrose Park, Park View, Park Ridge, Edison Park, etc., etc.—all but a few well known for the lack of the progressive spirit.

It may be said that no one has a right to advise a change of name without being prepared to suggest a new one. I have two suggestions. First—drop the word park and call it Highland. I am told there is a postoffice of that name in Illinois already, which would, of course make my first choice impossible. Investigation would show the truth or falsity of that statement. Second—I confess that I have misgivings when I approach my second choice, though I cannot tell why, except it be from fear that it will shock the readers. Highland Park in its progressive career absorbed its neighbor to the south. Why not absorb the name also? What more appropriate than the city of beautiful ravines should be known as Ravinia?

The absorption spoken of covers the territory from a few hundred feet north of Roger Williams Avenue to the county line, east of the Chicago & Northwestern tracks. This includes a REAL and ornamental park, which would naturally fall into our lap if the proposed change be adopted. It would also satisfy the good people down that way who are sacrificing time and money for their mail, when they could have it delivered at their homes by giving Highland Park as their address. Money in buying the McGuire & Orr real estate office as a home for the Uncle Sam establishment. They know that if the United States took the postoffice away the name Ravinia would soon become a memory only.

I would like to see the matter submitted to a vote. If my first choice should prove an impossibility, I would vote for Ravinia.

L. E. JONES.

## FUND BEING SOLICITED FOR FAMILY OF HERO

John Miller, Flagman, Who Tried to Save the Tanners, Helpless in Hospital in Evanston

John Miller, flagman for the Northwestern railway, lies helpless at the Evanston hospital. His little family in Glencoe is practically destitute. Oyer the tiny, drab cottage, which they call home, hangs a heavy mortgage.

John Miller three weeks ago risked his life in a heroic but vain attempt to save the lives of the father and mother of the little Tanner children. Funds are being provided for the Tanner children by popular subscription. From all over the country the dollars are pouring into headquarters in Chicago. But how about John Miller, lying helpless, broken in body, on his cot in the hospital? How about his invalid wife and those babes in dire need of the bare necessities of life?

Last week the Village Board of Winnetka inaugurated a campaign to raise a trust fund for the Miller family. The Board subscribed \$100 and named L. Sherman Aldrich of Hubbard Woods to take care of the relief fund for Miller and send co-operation through representatives of other north shore villages in a general campaign to raise a trust fund of \$12,000.

## NEW TRUANT OFFICER FOR DEERFIELD-SHIELDS

DEMANDS HAND OF EXPERT

Foe of Blind Pigs Will Round up Wayward Young Folks to Sense of School Duty

Mr. T. R. Quayle has been appointed truant officer for the Deerfield-Shields school district, and the appointment is a felicitous one. For many years Mr. Quayle has been the chief executive of Law and Order, staunch exponent of prohibition, a deep woods hunter of blind pigs, and sworn enemy of saloons, resorts, and all other contrivances of man which appertain to the worship of Bacchus.

For one who has made so pre-eminent a success in rounding up the recalcitrant spirits of a community, life might seem to offer nothing more in the realm of high adventure; but things have a way of turning up. There are the young folks of the community, who may be rebellious in this age of rebellion, at the thought of going to school. They present a fair example of spirits of a very solid variety without benefit of label, cork, or restraining hand. They are likely to range far afield and challenge the endurance of their pursuer. They are likely to bring up in some unfriendly corral, and all their mouths with argumentive wind to baffle his wits and pester his soul. But he is a brave and fearless man who loves a good fight with all the odds against him. Knight of old never tilted windmills with more ferocity.

But there is work ahead. If the young folks of Highland Park are all supposed to attend school until they are sixteen, and if the long arm of the law intends to reach out and lay hold of all those who are obeying the voice of their genius, each after the manner of his kind, as delivery boy, errand boy, high priest of the soda font, movie usher, tailor's assistant, printer's devil, or Bolshevik, the arm of the law, it is safe to say, will find itself with something to do. And the man who personifies that arm will be faced with the job of retrieving urchins from Mooney's swimming hole, reclaiming off-duty caddies who are cutting up the greens, hauling in crooked pin fishermen from the pier, robbing soda fountains and picture palaces of their dignitaries, combing woods and fields for slipshod botanists who have left both books and shoes at home and rounding them up, red-handed, to the birch-rod authorities who preside over their destinies. Surely this is a man's job. That is doubtless why Mr. Quayle's peculiar ability has once more been called to the colors. The challenge is worthy of his steel.

## MONDAY, BLANCHE SWEET IN "THE HUSHED HOUR"

Friday and Saturday, Douglas Fairbanks in "His Majesty, The American." Matinee 2:30

Next week the following program of pictures will be shown at Pearl Theatre:

Sunday, Sessue Hayakawa in "The Gray Horizon." Famous Player Pictograph, Fox Sunshine Comedy; Monday, Blanche Sweet in "The Hushed Hour" with a most unusual star cast, Lloyd comedy also Screen Magazine; Tuesday, Bert Lyell in "One Thing At A Time O' Day." "The Great Gamble," also Bee Hive Cartoon; Wednesday, Jack Pickford in "A Burglar By Proxy." Pathe News and Christie Comedy; Thursday, Tom Moore in "Go West Young Man" Pathe News, and Tom Mix Comedy; Friday and Saturday, Douglas Fairbanks in "His Majesty The American," a picture overflowing with laughs and thrills and happiness also Mutt and Jeff, and The Pathe Review Friday and Saturday, Burton Holmes Travelogue, Matinee at two thirty, Saturday.

## LIQUOR RAID NEAR FORT SHERIDAN

The Lake County Law and Order League conducted a raid against a house near Fort Sheridan on Tuesday and seized five large barrels of beer, twenty gallons of whiskey and fifty quart bottles of fancy distilled liquor. The inmates of the house were placed under arrest.

## VOLUME OF ORDERS DELAYS DELIVERIES

Orders for Surplus War Materials Will be Shipped in Order As Received

The United States Government has offered to sell at nominal prices its excess supply of army equipment such as blankets, shoes, canned goods, etc., and has made provision to deliver the same by parcel post. The following official announcement, sent to the local postmaster, is now given out for the information of all those who may have goods on order which have not yet been received.

Office of the Supt., Sixth Division, Chicago, Ill.  
Sept. 18, 1919

Postmaster: I am taking the liberty of bringing to your attention that the subscription to our government's offer to the public to purchase surplus food, held and contracted for by the War Department, exceeds in extent all expectation and the delivery will no doubt be somewhat delayed because of the task of assembling, routing and transporting so large a volume of parcel post.

We have completed transportation arrangements and are employing every means at our command to expedite delivery, but at best there will be some delay. Shipments will be made in the order in which requests were received, and as rapidly as delivery is made by the War Department.

I am requesting that you inform the local newspaper authorities, as a matter of public information, that the orders are now on hand for territory supplied by Chicago Warehouse, amount to an aggregate of one hundred and sixty million pounds and that shipments have already begun.

If there are delays beyond what purchasers think reasonable, they should exercise patience. Writing to the Post Office Department will not expedite delivery, but will have a tendency to create additional delay. Inquiries should be directed to the local postmaster.

Assuring you of our desire to meet promptly the transportation obligations, I am

R. S. BRAUER.

## THRIFT SHOP DONATIONS COVER WIDE FIELD

Clothing of All Kinds for Children in Demand, Visitors Welcome at Any Time.

At the last regular monthly meeting of the Committee of Sixty it was voted to give \$600 to build a house in France for one of the permanently blinded soldiers, to give \$50 a month to the winter work at Arden Shore and \$50 a month to the free work being done at the Highland Park hospital. This shows that the work undertaken by the Community Shop is to do all the good possible in Highland Park, in Chicago and the world, in fact its motto might well be "Our Field is the World."

There are over sixty consignors in the Handwork department, a number of new ones in the Bakery department and the Thrift department begs continually for more goods to sell, especially clothing of all kinds for children. Visitors are welcome any time from nine thirty to five o'clock. Tea is served every afternoon.

## ROBBERS TAKE \$8,000 WORTH OF CLOTHING

The most daring robbery committed in Waukegan in many a month took place about 1 o'clock Saturday morning when about \$8,000 worth of men's clothing was taken from Goodman's Department store, at Tenth street, the merchandise being taken away in an automobile.

This was the fourth time the Goodman store has been visited by robbers in the last two or three years.

The merchandise consisted of trousers and also entire suits of men's clothing. Eight tables, stacked with trousers, many of them valued at from \$10 to \$1 a pair, were cleaned out. Stacks of suits worth from \$50 to \$60 each were taken.

Notices of the theft have been sent to the police in all parts of the country and the police believe they can recover the goods, which probably are in Chicago.

## EPISCOPAL CLERGY MEET AT TRINITY CHURCH

FIFTY CLERGYMEN ATTEND

Discuss Chicago City Plan and Nation-Wide Campaign for Developing Resources of the Church

The chapter of the Northeastern Deanery of the Episcopal church in the Diocese of Chicago held its autumn meeting in Trinity church, Highland Park, on Monday, September 22. The Deanery includes the city of Chicago and the territory adjacent. The Dean is the Rev. John Herbert Edwards, of Lake Forest, and the clergy meet quarterly for conference and social fellowship. The meeting held Monday was the 132d in the life of the organization.

Fifty or more clergymen, representing a large number of the parishes in Chicago and vicinity, assembled on Monday, and after a celebration of the Holy Eucharist in the church adjourned to the hall where after a brief business meeting they listened to an interesting and instructive address on "The Chicago Plan." This address was to have been given by Mr. Walter D. Moody, Managing Director of the Commission, but Mr. Moody was detained by illness and Mr. Taylor from his office represented him very acceptably.

At one o'clock a bountiful luncheon was served in the Parish house by the ladies of the parish, a luncheon to which the guests did ample justice. The Rev. George M. Thomas, rector of St. Paul's church, Chicago, on behalf of the guests, thanked the hostesses, declared it the best he had ever eaten at a church gathering.

Following the luncheon the guests assembled under the trees upon the lawn and the Rev. Dr. George Craig Stewart of St. Luke's, Evanston, spoke of the origin and progress of the Nation-Wide Campaign which is being undertaken by the Episcopal church and which is now in process of development.

This campaign, which will extend to every congregation throughout the Episcopal church, is intended to mobilize all the resources of the Church in men, women and money to meet the task which confronts the Church in these days of reorganization and opportunity, and to expand and extend all its activities and to make it more and more a factor for good in the life of the nation.

Dr. Stewart, who is a member of the Campaign committee for the Midwest, outlined the plans and explained the scope of the movement with his usual force and eloquence. At the close of the afternoon the visitors departed, all agreeing that this one of the most interesting and profitable meetings of the Deanery in recent years.

## AMENDED SCHOOL LAW IS NOW IN EFFECT

All Children Under Sixteen Years of Age Must Attend School Under New Law

The amended school law of July first of this year has some provisions which it is advisable that parents especially should know. It is sometimes thought that a minor is free to leave school before he is sixteen. This is a mistake. A series of certificates have to be secured before a permit is legal; a certificate of scholarship, one from the parent which must show the necessity, and this necessity, it has been decided by a judge lately in a district court in Illinois, must be for the physical existence of the child. There must be a physician's certificate as to condition, one from the employer and one from the principal of the schools.

Under the child labor law any one who makes a false statement in any of these certificates, whether employer, parent, physician, or teacher, on conviction, shall be fined not less than \$5, and not more than \$100.

A statement was made in a recent issue of several county papers that this law is not yet in force, but the law as referred to is in force at the present time.

The law requires that young people under sixteen not lawfully employed or sick, must be at school. Parents and guardians refusing to enforce

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