

**Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan Lodge
Of Arrow Annual Dinner**

The annual dinner and meeting of the Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan lodge of the Order of the Arrow will be held Thursday, Jan. 2, 1947, at the Winnetka Community house. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. and the business meeting and election of officers will be held starting at 8:00.

A large attendance is indicated by returns already received. Many returned veterans will be attending their first Arrow meeting in many years and college students returned home for the holidays will add their number to the gathering.

Following the regular meeting there will be a calling out and initiation for the Brotherhood honor.

Officers of the lodge are: Bill Brooks, Wilmette, chief; Bill Kroeschell, Wilmette, secretary; Bill Kussell, Highwood, treasurer; Jim Noonan, Wilmette, vice-chief; Jerry Muzik, Highwood, medicine man.

George R. Boardman, new scout executive and supreme chief of the Ma-Ka-Ja-Wan lodge of the Order of the Arrow will be introduced to the lodge at this meeting.

All members of the lodge who have been in service are invited to attend and renew their active status with the lodge. During the war period they were carried as honorary members of the lodge.

"What's Dick doing now?"
"Well, Dick, he's a doctorin'."
"And John?"
"He's horse tradin'."
"And William?"
"He's a savin' of souls."
"And Tom?"
"Well, Tom, he's sorter politician' around."
"And you?"
"Well, I'm sorter farmin' an' a-feedin' Dick, John, William an' Tom."

**Sale of Christmas Seals
Tops Last Year's Record**

In the fourth week of the annual tuberculosis Christmas seal sale, a total of \$22,798.54 is reported by the Lake County Tuberculosis association headquarters, surpassing the response on the same day a year ago by \$1,373.41.

Reminding Lake county residents that the current financial goal in the fight against the "white plague" is still a long way off, Miss Orpha L. White, executive secretary for the association, urges those who have not acknowledged receipt of their seals, to do so promptly.

"To date, the seal sale returns of \$22,798.54, encouraging as it may be, brings us only a little more than half way to our goal of \$40,000. We are hoping for a decided increase in returns during the holiday season. Let this be your Christmas gift to those who are carrying on a personal battle against the disease."

IS POLITICS YOUR JOB?

There are two great tides sweeping through our times. We cannot say which is the stronger, but we can choose which tide we would strengthen.

One tide has been well described by Marquis Childs in a recent article in the Yale Review, in which he agrees with seasoned observers that "fatalism, compounded of weariness, uncertainty, and mistrust" prevails. He feels that the citizen is overwhelmed by the complexities of peace, including atomic energy, and has, at least subconsciously, decided to "go fishing" and "leave the experts to quarrel over the ashes of civilization." He deplors our political illiteracy and immaturity.

There are those who believe there is a deeper, stronger tide, concealed for the moment by the inevitable aftermath of a world war. They say that we are witnessing the passing of an old world — the world of the tooth, the fang, and the claw — and the advent of the new world, which must establish in practice what is already crystal clear, viz: that ethical, cooperative society is more profitable to the individual and the group than forces of social organization based upon struggle.

Disturbing current events are largely evidence of the transition from one society to another. We are working the poison of war out of our system. These people say that today is America's time for greatness, and believe that we are responding better than we realize.

We shall not know soon which tide is the stronger. We do know that the individual need not retreat helpless and impotent, before a force which he does not like. The power of the average citizen is greater than ever before. His means of speaking clearly and getting action in the public interest are increasing.

Our nation, facing baffling, heart-breaking, and vastly complicated problems, also faces the greatest opportunity of modern times. Amidst destruction, disintegration, and sheer weariness, we must persist in our efforts to construct, to integrate, and to give hope. Every citizen who works for these forces contributes mightily to a cooperative, peaceful world. (Condensed from a letter from the president of the national League of Women Voters.)

**Public Service Company
Rewards Suggestions**

Six employes of the Public Service Co. of Northern Illinois were awarded prizes totaling \$475 for the best 1946 suggestions submitted under the company's suggestion system at a year-end conference of the utility's officials held in Chicago.

Britton I. Budd, president, presented a top award of \$200 to Donald B. Miller, Wilmette; William E. Preston, Evanston, and Albert L. Cappelen, of Northbrook, of the company's northern division gas operating department, for suggesting the design and construction of a new device for making temporary shut-offs on high pressure gas mains.

Second prize winner was Stephen Bowers of Waukegan who received \$150 for a suggestion to improve the method of scale removal from evaporators in high pressure boilers of electric generating units.

Walter E. Brieschke, Elmhurst, of the meter department was awarded third prize of \$100 for designing and building a new type checking device for three-phase electric meters, while Walter J. Ahr, Maywood, of the western division electric operating department received a \$25 award for submitting the largest number of accepted suggestions during the year.

The year-end prizes were in addition to cash awards totaling \$850 given to the winners at the time their suggestions were originally accepted.

The utility's suggestion system, founded in 1911 and one of the oldest in the country, set another high record during 1946 with 1,257 suggestions submitted, of which 510 were accepted for awards totaling approximately \$6,000.

**Know Your High School
How the Student
Council Operates**

The Student council was started in 1912 by Richard L. Sandwick, and at that time it was a very progressive step, one of the many in his long and successful term as principal of our high school. Representation was from each home room at that time and that is still the basis of representation. Freshmen are not represented until the second semester, but each session is invited to a meeting of the council to acquaint them with its workings.

In 1934, the school had grown larger. In order to insure for the council the best leadership the school had to offer, it was decided that the council should be guided by an executive board of eight, seniors and four juniors, nominated carefully for abilities and chosen by an all school election. That is still the procedure, and the student council itself picks its president from that executive board.

This year the student council chose its first girl president, Janice Schick, and they are constantly being reassured of the wisdom of their choice. The rest of the executive board are Don Nash, Carol Grimes, Pat Barton, Don Ryan, Charles Marty, Deno Melchiorre, Nancy Zipoy, Sally Lautmann, Eddie Piacentini, Jack Close and Fred Greco. Leslie Libakken is the faculty adviser.

For a long time the activities of the student council were mainly social, but now their aim is to initiate activity and then turn the working out of such activity to some proper organization. For instance, the student council started the Teen Age club with the sponsorship of the P.T.A. The chairman of that committee was on the student council until this year, when it was turned over to the sponsorship of the Community center.

The activities the council still sponsors are numerous and interesting.

1. They take charge of the all-school election, which is held just like a regular election, even to the use of the city voting booths. This is the time when every class officer and every club officer is selected. The council must also check on each candidate's eligibility as to scholarship. They follow up with a check every six weeks, to see that school officers and representatives stay eligible for their jobs.

2. They are in charge of all ushering at the school.

3. They have full charge of fire drills (there are 20 scheduled a year), giving official reports to the principal, fire chief and city building commissioner.

4. They supervise the honor study halls. This involves sending out forms to students, who sign up, requesting the privilege of being admitted and promising to obey the rules; selecting those who will be admitted; and supervision of the halls.

5. They run the school Community Chest drive, which collects all funds for school activities, Red Cross, etc.

6. They have charge of the hall patrol, stationing students at strategic places to check on people who pass in the hall between classes, and who also collect attendance slips from teachers and make the reports to the office and nurse.

7. They do take charge of two dances during the year, the Turnabout and the Hobo Hop.

8. They supervise freshman orientation, acting as guides the first day, etc. They send a representative from each club to each freshman home room to explain the purpose of that club. In December they administer and correct orientation tests. In the spring they guide 8th graders all over the school when they are brought on get-acquainted visits.

9. They handle certain contracts with elementary schools, such as letters to them asking for cooperation in cutting down the breakage of bottles at games. They organized the Deerfield elementary school student council in 1940.

10. They watch over the orderliness and cleanliness of the lunch

room and the property around the school, as pertains to student conduct.

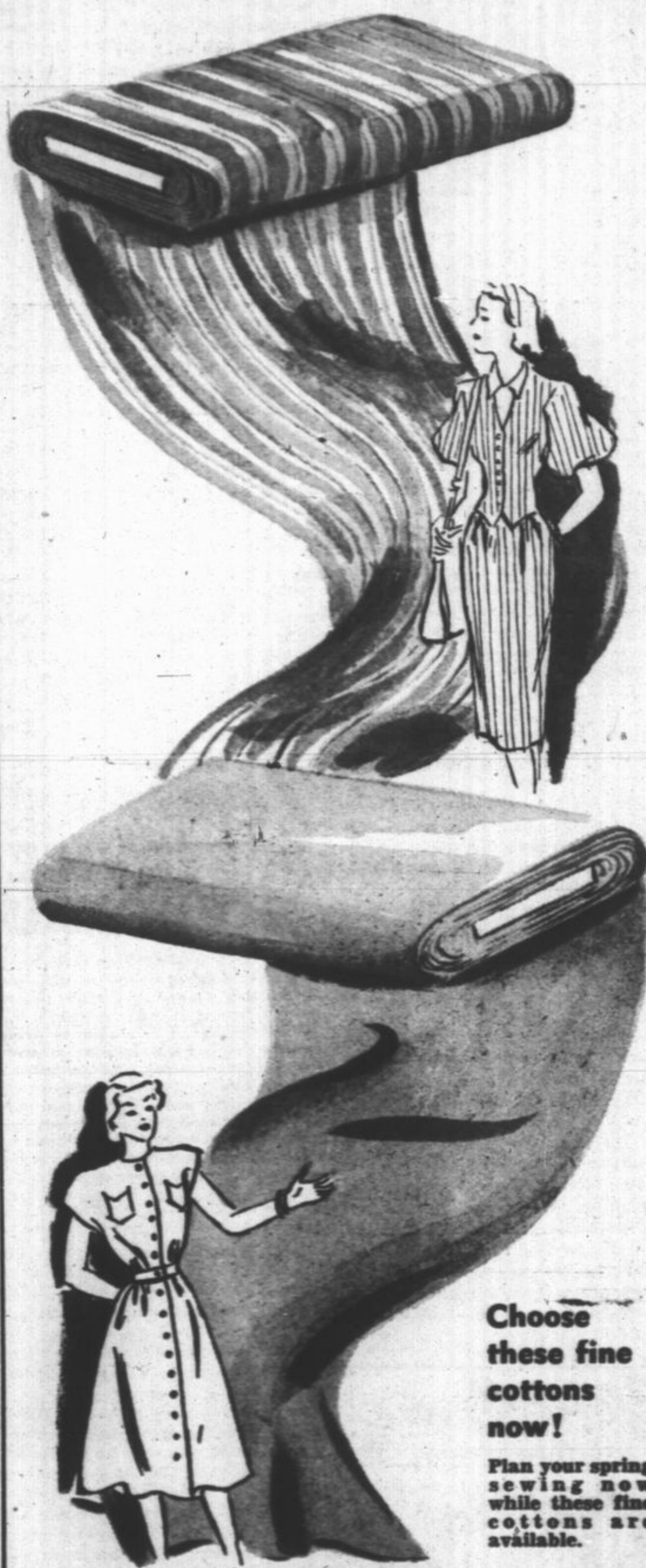
11. They select the speakers for the three paid assembly programs, with the help of Miss Rinckenberger. These are chosen carefully from widely different fields for their educational contribution rather than for mere entertainment.

Each activity is headed by a member of the executive board but committee members may be selected from the high school at large as well as from the council. In other words, the student council underwrites all student activities, helping to build morale, and making possible many activities that could not otherwise be achieved. Our council sends representatives to two conventions a year,

one a North East district meeting of 52 schools, held in the fall, and the other the state meeting held in the spring.

Highland Park high school has been honored by having several of its students chosen as state student council officers. In 1940 Ralph DeSha was elected president of the state council, in 1943 Jane Sonnenschein was secretary and treasurer, Robert Harvey was vice president in 1944, and in 1945 George Grimes was vice president.

Under the leadership of the council students may have forums to discuss any issue at any time during the day, without the presence of a teacher, and those in study halls may go to them. More and more are student problems being handled by the students. Thus are the qualities of



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