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NORTH SHORE FAVORS LOYALIST CANDIDATES

Primary Campaign Causes Little Excitement; McCormick Favored For Senate

BRUNDAGE MEN TO LEAD

Rathbone and Chindblom Favored For Congressman-at-large and Congressman

Little interest has been shown in Winnetka and the other north shore towns so far in the approaching primaries, although it is understood practically everybody here is, in favor of McGill McCormick, for U. S. senator and for all the Brundage or loyalist, group candidates on the county ticket. Then we have our own Henry R. Rathbone who is a candidate for congressman-at-large in the state of Illinois, in whom almost everybody on the North Shore is interested.

Nobody here wants to see William Hale Thompson nominated by the republican party as its candidate for U. S. senator in the November election, and everybody realizes the way to get rid of William Hale Thompson, and the influences for which he stands in Cook County politics, is to work for the nomination of McCormick and all the Brundage ticket from top to bottom.

Favor Loyalist Ticket

Judge Henry C. Beiler who is a candidate for sheriff on the loyalist ticket, Edwin A. Olsen, who is candidate for county judge, Perkins B. Bass, of Evanston, who is candidate for Board of Review Charles Ringer, who is candidate for member of board of assessors, in which office he has already served two years, are known to the Winnetka people either personally or by reputation and it is thought that almost everybody here will accept this group of friends and those who are with them as the best element in Republican politics and that they will give them their support in the primaries on September 11.

It is not often that north shore towns get real representation on the county and state ticket and these communities can be depended upon to support the loyalist ticket, first because of the principles for which that group stands and because of the character of all the men on the ticket; and, secondly, because Mr. Rathbone, a local man, is on that ticket for candidate for congressman-at-large, and because William H. Maclean is selected from Wilmette to run again as a member of the county board for country districts and because Perkins B. Bass of Evanston is a candidate for the board of review. If this ticket can be put over, it is pointed out that the north shore communities will be represented in a more adequate way than they have been for many years in county administrative affairs. And it is highly desirable that this should be the case.

Chindblom For Congress

Particular effort is going to be manifested here in the interest of Carl Chindblom for congressman to succeed George Edmund Foss, who withdrew from the congressional campaign to enter as a candidate for senatorial honors. Chindblom has been a hard worker on the north side in Chicago for a great many years and has taken an unusually interest since the war in supporting liberty loans and all war activities. He has been a four minute speaker and is an orator or unusual distinction. It is understood that Mr. Chindblom will make a visit to Wilmette before the campaign is over in order that the people here may become more closely and personally acquainted with him.

Winnetka never does get excited over any other election other than one which involves a local issue, but leaders here seem to be universally of the opinion that Winnetka people will go quietly to the polls on September 11 and support that group of the Republican party which has shown by its platform and by the personality of the men whose names are upon the ticket to be interested in the kind of government that Winnetka wants, in the state and for the nation.

WINNETKA SCHOOLS OPEN SEPTEMBER 3

Superintendent Rhodes Explains Entrance Conditions For Beginners and Kindergarten pupils

TO CONFER WITH PARENTS

Announces Teachers For New Year and New Arrangements of Classes in Schools

By E. N. Rhodes
(Supt. of Schools)

The Winnetka Public schools will be opened on Tuesday, September 3. In accordance with the regulations of the Board of Education children may be enrolled in the first grade who are six years of age on or before January 1, 1919. Children may enter the Kindergarten if five years of age on or before January 1, 1919.

In view of the fact that children of the Kindergarten and the first grade make such rapid progress during the early weeks of school the Board of Education requires that children be enrolled in these departments during the first three weeks in September. Children who are prepared to do the work are, of course, permitted to enter at any time.

Grades one to six inclusive will be organized in all three schools. Pupils of grades seven and eight will attend the Horace Mann school. This plan of organizing makes it necessary to open the Horace Mann school Kindergarten at the Scandinavian church on Elm street.

Parents wishing to confer with the superintendent may do so on Monday afternoon, September 2, at the Horace Mann school.

Special Teachers

Mrs. Sammons, Music.
Mrs. Kohlsaet, Music.
Mary E. Payne, Science.
Alta B. Gahan, Drawing.
Ethel Feldkirchner, Domestic Arts.
Alice M. Baker, Playground.

Horace Mann School

Mary Daniels, Kindergarten.
Clementine Eastman, Kindergarten.
Kate Dwyer, Grade 1.
Irene Marsh, Grade 1.
Minerva Ford, Grade 2.
Mrs. Ruth Harshaw, Grade 2 and Principal.

Wilda Bayes, Grade 3.
Ruth Ostlund, Grades 3-4.
Emma Williams, Grade 4.
Edna Harry, Grade 5.
Beth Keenan, Grade 6.
Mary Reese, Arith, Grades 7-8.
Mary Jeffries, Grammar and Composition, Grades 7-8.
Nina Veil, Geography and History, Grades 7-8.
Florence Brett, Reading, Grades 7-8.
Mrs. C. S. Goodchild, History, Grades 7-8.

Greeley School

Grace Margerum, Kindergarten.
Reba Van Ethen, Grade 1 and Principal.
Emma Holmes, Grade 2.
Marjorie Morgan, Grade 3.
Ruth Hartzell, Grades 4-5.
Margaret Casey, Grade 6.

Skokie School

Eva G. Long, Kindergarten.
Glenna Griffin, Grade 1 and Principal.
Jeanette Griffith, Grade 2.
Bess Fowler, Grade 3.
Caroline Curtis, Grade 4.
Ethel Theis, Grade 5.
Grace Terrill, Grade 6.

WOMAN'S NATIONAL BODY OPENS CHICAGO OFFICE

The Chicago office of the Woman's National Liberty Loan committee has been opened. It is located on the eighth floor of 105 West Monroe street, and Mrs. George Bass of the National committee is in charge. It will be the headquarters from which will be directed the distribution of supplies for State and Federal Reserve chairmen. During the campaign Mrs. Kellogg Fairbank and Mrs. Antoinette Funk of the National committee will spend part of their time in the Chicago office. Mrs. Bass says the women all over the country are getting their plans pretty well lined up for the Fourth Liberty Loan campaign.

BLIND BOY PIANO TUNER OPENS WINNETKA OFFICE

You ought to know personally Clarence Richardson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred T. Richardson, who keep the livery stable on Elm street.

When Clarence was a small boy playing with some of his mates, he was accidentally struck in the eye and as a result of this blow he lost the sight first of the injured eye and then that of the other eye so he soon became totally blind in both eyes. He was a sturdy chap, however, with lots of pluck and did all he could to help his parents and never lost his courage.

When he was old enough, he was sent to the Illinois State Asylum for the Blind at Jacksonville, where he worked hard and this spring graduated with honors from the High school at Jacksonville. He can read books printed for the blind with raised letters and furthermore he has studied piano tuning, until now he is able to tune pianos as well as anybody although it does take him a little longer to do the work than if he had the use of his eyes.

Dame Nature is trying hard to make up to him for the loss of his sight by making his hearing more acute to increase to a wonderful degree his proficiency as a piano tuner.

Clarence is now regularly in the piano tuning business and he certainly merits the patronage of everybody in the Village. You can get him at any time by phoning Winnetka 25. He has just tuned Mr. H. A. de Windt's Baby Grand Steinway and you can refer to Mr. de Windt if you want to know more about the skill of the plucky blind piano tuner.

War Emergency Notes

Earl P. Gowing who has been in the R. O. T. C. at Camp Lee has received the commission of Second Lieutenant.

Harold C. Strotz has enlisted and is at the Ensign School, Northwestern University, Evanston.

William Wildman who has been at Camp Zachary Taylor, Louisville, Ky., has received the commission of Second Lieutenant and goes to Camp Jackson.

Corporal Paul Kreger of the 149th F. A. France, has been made Sergeant.

The Chicago Tribune, August 20, speaking of the bravery of our boys in France gives the following notice concerning Sergeant Paul Kreger of Winnetka:

"Corporal Paul Kreger of Winnetka, posted in a forward observatory on an open trench, in charge of telephone communication, succeeded in opening a line to the rear after it had been cut. This was done in spite of terrific enemy fire. Later Kreger helped carry a wounded man through heavy fire to a dressing station."

Buy War Exposition Tickets

Tickets for the War Exposition to be opened in Grant Park, Chicago, on September 2, under the auspices of the State Council of Defense are now on sale at Community House and at the local drug stores. The tickets are now selling at twenty-five cents but will be fifty cents at the exposition gates. The exposition will continue 2 weeks.

WERE YOU 21 SINCE JUNE 5? READ THIS!

"All male persons who have reached their twenty-first birthday since June 5, 1918, and on or before August 24, 1918, must register on August 24, 1918.

"These men should consult with local draft boards as to how and where they should register." Registration will be conducted at the Wilmette Village Hall.

RETURN UNUSED YARN; NEEDED FOR GARMENTS

Red Cross Knitting Chairman Issues Urgent Call for Yarn Left Unused in Winnetka Homes

KNITTING NEEDED NOW

Reports That Red Cross Would Cease Knitting Branded As False by Workers

By Mary H. Elmer

The Chicago Chapter of the American Red Cross, which has been furnishing yarn to the auxiliaries, urges that all outstanding yarn be turned in at once.

A large quantity has been out for a long time in Winnetka, and it has not been called for before, hoping that those interested in this branch of War relief would bring in finished articles, but there is much wool, partly in work and partly idle, in Winnetka homes—possibly forgotten.

It seems impossible for many to visualize the conditions that the coming winter will bring to our Army and Navy if we do not speed up our work. The undertaking is so tremendous that every hank of yarn and every knitted article are of great value.

Very Necessary Work

Warm garments are a very important part of equipment; they are as necessary to prevent cold and disease, as hospital garments are to give comfort and rest to the sick and wounded after they are taken to our hospitals, and yet it is an important fact that, although men are to be equipped on land and sea, many regard knitting very casually—something to be taken up at odd times.

Days and half-days are set aside for other forms of work. Why not set tasks in knitting? Many do it is true, and to them is due grateful appreciation of their efforts which have enabled the shipping (almost weekly) of large numbers of socks, sweaters, and other articles to headquarters in Chicago, to the Red Cross, and to the American Fund for French Wounded, to say nothing of their fine work in behalf of the War Emergency Union and other organizations.

Erroneous Statements

We are knitting for several branches of War relief and regret that statements have been made that the Red Cross is not to continue the knitting. Nothing could be further from the truth, but the wool is more difficult to obtain in yarn. To control it more carefully and to get quick results the auxiliaries of the Red Cross are to be put upon a quota—a certain amount to be requisitioned in yarn per month, to be returned to Chicago in finished articles within three weeks.

This is the only alternative in the experienced in waiting months for returns, which should have been made in several weeks. This system will offer Winnetka an opportunity to show what can be done, and with that interest and enthusiasm our knitters (who already have a reputation for "excellent" on the reports) will take up the September quota in the race to supply well-made woolen "comforts for fighting men."

An exact account of yarn requisitioned is kept, every ounce is weighed when issued and when returned to the receiving room in Chicago in finished articles.

The Wool committee is responsible, and hope that those who have secured yarn at the Parish house, Red Cross headquarters, will be reached in this appeal, especially concerning the return of yarn taken.

If articles turned in have not been recorded through some error, please notify the chairman by postal.

No amount of surplus yarn is too small to be utilized, and articles are constantly being made of "left ones."

Chairman Knitting Committee, Parish House, Winnetka. Red Cross headquarters.

Paul Kreger, 1040 Oak street, who is in active service in France, has been made a sergeant.

Miss Virginia Noe, is spending several days visiting in Madison, Wis.

DRIVE, "REAL HELL", SAYS PAUL KREGER

Winnetka Sergeant of Artillery Declares It Miraculous Men Can Survive Among Flying Steel

GAS INTERRUPTS LETTER

Thanks Winnetka Friends For Kindnesses and States Determination To Reciprocate

Sergeant Paul Kreger of the 149th Field Artillery, American Expeditionary Forces in France is one of Winnetka's heroes who has been in the thick of the fight with Pershing, was twice wounded and, according to the following letter is back in the thick of the fight again.

Kreger was recently promoted to a sergancy. The letter is addressed to an aunt in Winnetka and reads:

France, July 28, 1918.

Dear Aunt Terese:
Received your last letter written upon receipt of mine from the hospital and I am certainly glad that it arrived there almost as soon as the report that was printed in the paper. I have not written many letters recently as this is not a letter writing climate, and this moment is the quietest one for some time. Even now though I call it quiet the shells are fairly screeching over our heads going both ways and the quiet phrase is derived from the fact that none stop here, at least not nearer than 150 yards, which we have begun to take as out of our vicinity. This drive is a real "hell" and God willing let us hope it may be the beginning of the end. At times it seems a miracle that men can stay amid such quantities of flying steel and survive. I don't like to write gloom letters but there is no use sending that stuff home about "being as safe as if I were sitting on the front porch", and so on, because war is war and this is a real one.

I don't think any of us really realized what the full meaning of that word meant until the last few weeks—(There was quite an interruption here as the boche sent over gas) but I shall continue as best I can with a mask on.

You need not worry about the razor, toilet articles, socks or money. I received the "auto stop", razor and toilet articles at the "croix rouge". We have no room to carry any surplus, it must be thrown away and the money could not be spent, the towns around us are nothing but shattered ruins. We have not seen ~~any~~ for weeks, so money does not amount to a row of pins, the little bit we draw is more than sufficient.

This letter must do for all my friends who so kindly thought of me when they heard I was injured, you must thank them and tell them all that I appreciate it more than is possible for me to say. It helps a fellow out here in this bloody mess to know he is not forgotten and I only hope that some day I may reciprocate.

I received a nice letter from Arthur Brainard and Dorothy recently and will answer it at the first opportunity if that opportunity should not come very soon please acknowledge them for me. I was not forgotten on my birthday as I was made a sergeant it was quite a present. I must close now as this is a long note considering the surroundings.

Your boy as ever,
Paul.
Sergeant Paul R. Kreger, 149th F. A., Bat. B., A. P. O. 715.

Honor for Sergeant William Bishop

The many friends of Sergeant William Bishop of the 149th F. A. France, will be interested in knowing that a telegram has just been received by his mother saying that Sergeant Bishop has landed safely in Hoboken and is on his way to Chicago for a brief visit. He has had the honor to be sent over here as an instructor in the artillery section of the army. Sergeant Bishop has been at the very front and in the thick of the fight for many weeks and he will bring to his work a most valuable practical experience.