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LECTURE COURSE TO BEGIN JANUARY 14

Chicago University Leaders to Discuss Modern Problems at Skokie School Auditorium

COULTER FIRST SPEAKER

How Effect of War on Progress in Various Fields of Endeavor

Superintendent E. N. Rhodes has arranged an unusually attractive university lecture course to be held at the Skokie School auditorium on Tuesday evenings at 8:15 o'clock. All of the lecturers, with an exception, are from the University of Chicago and are eminent in their respective fields of endeavor.

The first lecture occurring on January 14, is by Dr. John M. Coulter, on "Botany and the War." Dr. Coulter is one of the most noted, if not the most noted, botanist in America at the present time.

On January 21, Dr. J. Paul Goode will lecture on "America as a World Power." Dr. Goode will treat his topic largely from a geographic and economic standpoint. No lecture course at the Skokie school has been more popular than Dr. Goode.

Dr. Andrew C. McLaughlin, one of America's best known historians will lecture on January 28, on "The Monroe Doctrine and the League of Nations." Dr. McLaughlin's treatment of this reconstruction problem should prove most interesting.

Professor James Weber Linn lectures on February 4 on "The Literature of the War Period." He will discuss not only the literature that has grown out of the war but also other literature that has developed during the war period.

The last lecture occurring on February 12, is by Mr. Earl Barnes on "Poland, a Disputed Nationality." Mr. Barnes has had a wide experience in lecturing in English and American cities. He discusses Poland from the standpoint of its fitness for independent statehood. Charts and maps are used for illustration.

SCOTT BROTHERS ARE GIVEN HIGH HONORS

Two Evanston men, well known here as lecturers, both in the same family and both professors of Northwestern university, received two of the highest honors that can be bestowed in the educational world, at the conferences of American learned associations.

John A. Scott, head of the department of classical languages of Northwestern university, was elected president of the American Philological association at their conference held in New York.

Col. Walter Dill Scott, who is in charge of the personnel work in the United States army, was made president of the American Psychological association at their conference in Baltimore. Col. Scott and his brother were both elected to these high offices on the same day.

Prof. Roy Flickinger, who attended the conference of the American Philological association, read a paper on "Latin Literature."

MRS. KAISER PAYS COSTS WHEN FINE IS REMITTED

Mrs. Laura Kaiser of Glencoe was fined \$10 and costs by Justice Roland Hurford of Glencoe late last week on complaint of William Bowden of Hubbard Woods. Justice Hurford remitted the fine upon payment of the costs.

The case had been brought to Justice Hurford's court from Winnetka upon request of Mrs. Kaiser who obtained a change of venue.

Mrs. Kaiser was arrested a few weeks ago on Bowden's complaint after a charge of disorderly conduct brought against him by Mrs. Kaiser was dismissed.

Mrs. Kaiser contended that Bowden struck her 11 year old daughter following an encounter between the girl and a group of other children, it was said.

DOG FIRST OCCUPANT OF NEW WINNETKA CELL

An occupant for the new cell at the police station was found on Christmas Day. "Bob," a resident of Glencoe, persisted on hanging around the station all day and when night came Chief of Police William Peterson locked him up and fed him. Yesterday S. Lumley, 76 Scott street, Glencoe, obtained his release and took him home. "Bob" is a bulldog valued at \$150.

Harvey M. Hopp Plays Hide and Seek With Boche Bombers While on Duty

The following letter was recently received by Harry W. Hopp of Wilmette, from his son Harvey M. Hopp, who is attached to Battery C, of the 122d Field Artillery, formerly the Old First Cavalry, commanded by Colonel Milton J. Foreman.

Young Hopp was prominent in New Trier high school activities and enjoyed a wide acquaintance on the north shore.

The letter reads:
November 13, 1918.

Dear Folks:—
Just a few lines to let you know how I am, it surely seems good to be able to write in the quiet of an armistice.

Mail came in yesterday and we had no opportunity of answering sooner. Have been very busy at all times, day and night until now when we have a chance to rest, how long of course we do not know.

Just six months ago we started on our long weary way but what a different aspect there now is over all of the world, an armistice effecting peace terms probably to be reached very soon and a much brighter outlook for the future. Here in our little world or sector how quiet and peaceful everything is and has been since the armistice but up until the very last minute it was a very, very noisy and dangerous place.

I am now in my little dugout and a fire going of charcoal and very comfortable too. Havlik and I are writing by the light of a small candle stub only, not a very bright light but enough.

Have had to send Cochran's letter through the mail as we were not and are not now with the 33rd. Have not seen any of them yet.

The Colonel was always behind the lines but one day at the starting of this drive he wanted to follow his boys through so he rode up to our observation post (with the infantry) picked up the officer who told me to come along. We went ahead on foot past our outfits, up a hill, Fritz's shells landing all around, we went on to where we could look over a big hill, lots of German shells fell all around and no artillery ahead of us only infantry. Well, we went ahead to where the infantry had only left a town by forty-five minutes, lots of shells coming in occasionally, splinters were flying overhead and twice we had to sit down in the ditch until Fritz was quiet for a few minutes but the Colonel established his post of command there ahead of his outfits and only an hour behind the infantry so he wasn't always behind the lines.

I admit that I would have been ready to quit long before but will always go as far as the next one.

Have had lots of experience since my last letter. One night I was told to report to Captain Myhrman, did so, and he told me to report to a lieutenant at 6:45 a. m. next day, for a trip to the front as observer, well this was sweet because we were at an exceedingly busy sector, reported there next day, went out and established our post in gassed woods which Fritz shelled regularly, very far forward with the outposts of infantry only and there we were, six observers, two telephone men, and the lieutenant, meals we were to get some how, just got there and partially settled in some small hole when over came a dozen shells and some gas. We were walking up the valley, and were lucky to have reached there without getting shelled, in fact, a dozen went over our heads but we laid low and no one suffered. Had to carry orders back that night through gas attacks and shells, came out next a. m. and looked Fritz over from an outpost, could have thrown a stone into two pits (machine gun) of his and not strained my arm. Had shells thrown at us often until we got used to it. Two of the boys were wounded, one other gassed with mustard gas and all the rest of us were so hoarse we could hardly talk, in fact, two of them just regained their speech yesterday. We were there six days before we were relieved, (done by pushing Fritz so far back we could not see him).

Another fellow, Kellogg, of "A" Battery and I were told to go to our O. P. near the machine guns and watch a road for three hours. We were to repair our line, while on the way out we fixed up five breaks and then started to wait until the Airplane moved on, instead of that he circled overhead and a shell broke about twenty yards away, it was so close that I knew it was up to us to watch for the next one to know which way to run (Artillery training gave us this because other-

wise a doughboy would dive down and hide), so we watched for the next one and it came closer by fifteen feet so we turned and ran knowing he was playing for the two of us and no one else and the plane had the shells jumping faster and further. We were trying to make some small infantry dugout to get into, they got too close though so we just tried to get into a near small hole when one dropped from somewhere and blew us both into the hole and filled our eyes, ears and neck with dirt, and made us so we could hardly hear for a while, filled our gas masks so full of dirt we could hardly get it out. Kellogg said, "that one got me Hopp", I asked where, and he said, "in the back but not very bad", then the shells stopped dropping so we came out of our hole to a larger one we knew of, about 40 yards away. Immediately we appeared and ran down the path, this plane ordered a range increase because the shell went overhead and there we were in a bracket. Well, we went into the hole and I fixed his back (only had a bad bruise from a stone or rock) while Fritz tried for us with a dozen rounds. But we were lucky and got out of it. Just then somebody wanted to know where the Artillery observers were, because they had something to report to us so we took him back on a fast run to the Lieutenant. But that was as close as I wanted to go and we can't yet figure out how either one of us is alive now except for our trust in God and his power. No airplanes ever look friendly to me for that reason.

The next day we joined the battery so have no more of those tales. Another fellow and I dug a dugout about two feet six inches deep and four feet wide and seven feet long put a log and brush roof on it and covered it with dirt. Picked a stove and found a lot of charcoal so now we are settled pretty nicely and warm nights and have known that practically only a direct hit could hurt us. Splinters no. My shelter-half looked like a sieve after the first night. Meals were scarce but at last our rations have caught up with us so now we are happy again. Did not receive package from Field's and do not expect to, they have not yet delivered a package to this regiment, so do not send any they won't take orders from us either because we tried them.

Do not worry at all because we will be out of it soon now and then try to forget it all.

Lots of love,
Harvey.

NORTH SHORE MEN HOME JAN. 5 ON LINER SIBONEY

With the return of the 33rd heavy field artillery, which is expected to arrive in New York January 5, on the steamship "Siboney," north shore men will be brought back to America.

Col. Philip Ward is in command of the regiment in which the first contingent of local drafted men were placed.

The boys trained at Camp Grant for nine months and completed their training at the artillery field, Sparta, Wis. They were then sent to Camp Mills, N. J., where they embarked for France and it is understood that they saw considerable active service.

When Battery E left Camp Grant for Sparta there were in it 1223 Evanston, Wilmette and other men. They sailed for France with the Blackhawk division.

RESIDENT OF WINNETKA FOR FIFTY YEARS IS DEAD

Elizabeth A. Eddy, widow of C. J. Eddy, died at her residence, 5026 Blackstone avenue, Chicago, Thursday morning of pneumonia. Mrs. Eddy was a resident of Winnetka for fifty years.

She enjoyed a wide acquaintance in the Village and during her long residence here had been associated with many civic and social activities.

Army Man Opens Practice in Winnetka

First Lieutenant Don C. McCowan M. C., U. S. A., until recently stationed at Camp Greenleaf, Georgia, has opened offices in the Prouty building, just above the Winnetka Pharmacy, where he will practice medicine and surgery. Dr. McCowan received his honorable discharge just prior to the holidays.

WALLING CHILDREN RESCUED FROM FIRE

Home of Willoughby Walling Jr., of Hubbard Woods, Completely Destroyed By Midnight Blaze

Fire of unknown origin early Thursday morning completely destroyed the \$30,000 home of Willoughby Walling at Hubbard Woods and drove the four Walling children and their nurse, Miss Ingrid Paulsen, into the street. Mr. and Mrs. Walling were not at home.

Firemen and neighbors were successful in saving but very little of the furniture and other household furnishings, the home being a mass of flames before the alarm had been turned in.

Early in the evening the nurse detected smoke in the home but was unable to locate the source. She later retired with the children and was awakened only when the house was filled with smoke and the entire roof ablaze.

The children, Willoughby H. Jr., 15; English, 11; Fredericka, 9; and Parke, 2 years old, were carried to safety by the nurse and housed in a home nearby.

The house, of frame and stucco construction, was said to be valued at \$30,000. Thursday the children were taken to the home of their grandmother, Mrs. Willoughby Sr., 4127 Drexel Boulevard, Chicago.

Mrs. Walling is in Boston where she went recently to attend the funeral of a sister. Mr. Walling is in Washington.

VILLAGE PASSES W. S. QUOTA; KEEP ON SAVING!

Winnetka has oversubscribed her War Savings quota of \$120,000 by more than \$10,000, according to an announcement this week by Postmaster Arthur M. Kloeppfer.

This does not include that Winnetka has concluded her thrift work, say those in charge of the sales here, but rather, that every resident must take upon himself the responsibility for continuing in the purchase of War Savings Stamps in 1919, that the passing of the quota mark is but a milestone in the thrift campaign which must continue indefinitely so that our men who are to remain in the service for many months in the future will be properly provided for, a task equally as important as the maintenance of the armed forces during the period of actual hostilities.

Keep on saving and saving and place the goal so far ahead there'll be no danger of every reaching it and thus your saving cease.

SEEK WORKING GIRLS TO JOIN NEWEST CLUB

Working girls of Winnetka have been offered a splendid opportunity for associating in a regular club at Community House where they can spend Tuesday evenings in sewing, knitting, or indulge in games and dancing in the gymnasium. The club is being organized by the Neighborhood Circle which has issued the following call to all girls in the Village employed in homes.

Club For Working Girls
The Neighborhood Circle club of Winnetka welcomes any girl who is working in a private home and who wishes to spend a pleasant evening at Community House. The membership dues are \$2 per year for which one has the privilege of coming at 8:30 any Tuesday evening to sew or knit or to join the gymnasium class for games and dancing. Come and join us. The next meeting is January 6.

THE BIBLE AS TEACHING MATERIAL

On Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, beginning January 7, a course will be conducted for parents and teachers on "The Bible as Teaching Material". This will be open to all who desire to come. The Teachers use of the Gospels, how to use them will be taken up in the following order:

The Gospels according to Mark.
The Gospels according to Matthew.
The Gospels according to Luke.
The Gospels according to John.
The Pupils of Jesus.
The Teachings of Jesus.
Jesus the Teacher.
Jesus for the Growing Childhood.
Jesus the Master of Life.
This course will be under the leadership of Rev. J. W. L. Davies.

BUSINESS MEN PLAN VICTORY BANQUET

New Trier Commercial Association Members to have Annual "Spread" at Community House, Winnetka, January 22

DISCUSS PLANS FOR 1919

Seek to Secure Every Business Man In Township As a Member

Members of the New Trier Commercial association are looking forward to the biggest event in the history of the organization which will be in the nature of a get-together session and "Victory Banquet" scheduled for Wednesday evening, January 22, at 8 o'clock, at Community House, Winnetka.

Officers of the Commercial association promise an interesting time for every member of the organization. Though plans for the occasion have not been completed it is certain that a good speaker, with a timely topic, will be on hand to furnish some sound New Year's advice for business men.

The commercial association has rendered a distinct service to business men of the Township since its organization several years ago. It has established an excellent card index "credit rating" system, which has proved of great assistance to the members. Recently the association went on record as favoring the linking of Milwaukee avenue and Sheridan road by converting Lake avenue into a concrete highway and went to the extent of petitioning the County Highway and Bridge commissioners for such an improvement. The paramount benefit of connecting the two great highways with a passable road would be to open the markets of the North Shore for the products of the farming country to the west.

Plans for the New Year will be discussed at the "Victory Banquet" as well as ways and means of securing every business man in the township as a member.

The regular monthly business meeting of the association will be held, Wednesday evening, January 8, at Community House, Winnetka.

SKATE AND COAST, BUT OBSERVE RULES

Now that cold weather is at hand the Village has arranged to protect the Oak street hill as was done last year. During coasting weather Maple street will be closed to through traffic during the following hours: 3 to 5 o'clock P. M. and 7 to 9 o'clock P. M.

An attendant will also be on duty to regulate coasting. Parents are requested to see that the above hours are strictly observed and that no children coast when the barricades are not up or the attendant is not present.

Every effort will be made to avoid accidents, but the Village can assume no liability if persons do not observe the regulations.

The several public skating rinks were being flooded Thursday and are now in splendid condition.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY FIND JOBS FOR MEN BACK FROM WAR

At the next meeting of the Big Brothers of the Holy Name society, January 5, 1919, at Holy Angels parish hall, Oakwood boulevard and Vincennes avenue, Chicago, a definite plan will be considered for securing employment for the boys released from the army, navy, and war work. This will be done in conjunction with the board working under the supervision of the Federal Employment office. C. G. Craine, Court representative of the Big Brothers, will represent the Catholic organization on this board. The first floor of the Conway building, opposite the County building, will probably be used as a clearing house for the boys.

NEW VESPER PROGRAM FOR CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

At the suggestion of those who attended the recent Tuesday morning classes on "The Six Crucial Hours in the Life of Christ", the Reverend J. A. Richards of the Winnetka Congregational church, will give a course on the same subject on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, beginning January 12. A great hour is open to all who want to spend part of Sunday twilight in the study of the greatest of all subjects. The place of meeting is in the church auditorium.