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REV. E. F. WILLIAMS DIES AT HOME HERE

Prominent Congregationalist Church-
man Passes Away At Advanced
Age of 87 Years

LEADER IN CHURCH WORK

Was One of Foremost Educational
Workers In American Religious
Circles

Funeral services for the Reverend Edward Franklin Williams who died Monday at his home at 1051 Cherry street, were held Wednesday at 2 o'clock from the Wellington avenue Congregational church, Chicago.

The remains were sent to Hartford, Connecticut, for burial. Reverend Williams was 87 years old.

Came West in 1869

He came to Chicago and the north shore in 1869 as pastor of the Tabernacle church. He was pastor of the South church from 1873 to 1891; of the Evanston avenue church from 1901 to 1911, and since pastor emeritus of the Wellington Avenue church.

He was a graduate of Yale, class of 1856, and of Princeton Theological seminary, 1861. He received honorary degrees from Illinois college, Wheaton college, and Adrian college.

Traveller and Author

He traveled much in Europe and the east and spent some years in study in Germany, publishing, as a result, "Christian Life in Germany." He was a constant writer for religious and other publications and for twenty-three years was the western representative of the Congregationalists.

Civil War Service

During the civil war he served for two and one-half years as field agent for the United States Christian commission with the armies of the Potomac and the James.

He was an active worker and leader in the Chicago Literary society and was identified with numerous other organizations connected with the religious and educational work.

HEALTH COMMISSIONER ISSUES INSTRUCTIONS

Health Commissioner C. O. Schneider is the author of a circular letter going by mail to every family in Winnetka and which carries instructions relative to procedure to be followed in cases of contagious diseases. The recent chicken-pox exposure in the Village which resulted in a general vaccination is said to be responsible for the warning embodied in the letter of instructions.

Special stress is laid upon the report of contagious diseases as soon as symptoms are in evidence and strict observance of quarantine consequent to such report.

BOB O'LINK PLANS SERIES OF SATURDAY BRIDGE-TEAS

Beginning Saturday, June 7, there will be the first of a series of Bridge-Teas arranged by the Social committee for members and guests of the Bob O'Link Golf club at Highland Park.

Play will begin at 2 o'clock and tea will be served at 4:45 o'clock. Members have been urged to make up their own tables and notify the club secretary before 10 o'clock Saturday morning if luncheon is desired. There will be a prize for each table.

Wednesday, June 4, will be Guest Day at the club featured by a Medal handicap against par, 18 holes.

SPEED COP OTTONE HAULS 16 SPEEDERS IN 24 HOURS

When J. J. Gorman drove through Wilmette Monday afternoon en route to Mason City, Iowa, he unfortunately mistook Sheridan road for a country highway and tuned his automobile up to the speed of fifty-three miles an hour, according to Albert Ottone, police motorcyclist, who made the arrest. Gorman was arraigned before Justice D. M. Mickey and fined \$40 and costs, one of the heaviest fines the justice has imposed this season.

Sixteen other arrests for speeding were made by Ottone in the twenty-four hours ending Monday afternoon.

Change in Telephone

The telephone at the War Emergency Union headquarters in Community House has been taken out. Mrs. E. W. Wortley, secretary, may be reached at Community House by calling Winnetka 470.

You Are Asked to Vote on Saturday, June 7, on Additional Tax Levy for Winnetka Schools

By Laird Bell
(President, Winnetka School Board)

To the Voters of Winnetka:—

A special election will be held Saturday, June 7, to vote for or against authorizing the Winnetka Board of Education to levy an additional tax for educational purposes under the terms of the newly passed Hicks bill.

The present tax rate is 2 per cent for educational purposes and 1 per cent for building purposes upon the assessed valuation. We are asking authority for an additional 1 per cent for educational purposes. This will mean about \$20,000 additional income. Authority for this increase must be given by the majority of those voting at the special election.

In appealing to the voters of Winnetka to grant this authority, we have the comforting assurance that, with them at least, it is not necessary to argue the importance of the schools. The only question upon which information will be required will be the need for additional money.

Crying Need

This need is crying. The first claim upon our funds may justly be made by the teachers. Teachers are at best underpaid. They are earning on an average less than the scrubwomen working in Government public buildings. They can make both ends meet only by the most heroic economy. They cannot save; they have even to deny themselves small comforts like the relaxation of an occasional trip to the city. Unless we want children taught by drones we must give the teachers a chance to keep their minds fresh and their bodies strong. Our new superintendent, Mr. Washburne, in an admirable statement to the Parent-Teacher association, printed in full in last week's "Weekly Talk," has set forth this situation so cogently that we need not go over the ground again.

Glencoe Leads

Glencoe has established a minimum salary of \$1,200 a year. At present we pay some teachers as low as \$800. We are consequently losing good teachers to Glencoe and

other communities. The National Bureau of Education and the Wisconsin Superintendent of Education have recently recommended a nation-wide movement to establish minimum salaries at from \$1,000 to \$1,200. We only ask enough to pay the lower amount.

The whole school structure depends on the kind of teacher we can get. You can devise the most perfect systems of education; they mean nothing unless the teacher that administers them is good. The more modern and scientific education becomes, the more it has to count on a well trained, competent teacher. We believe that our new superintendent is going to improve very greatly our already exceptionally good schools; but he cannot work without tools.

Suffer Deficit

Of our present income about two-thirds goes for teachers' salaries; most of the rest goes for interest, retiring bonds and the maintenance of buildings. The burden of all this already is such that we have had a deficit for several years. Outside of this deficit, which is about one-third of the increase we expect under the new levy, and which must be taken care of, virtually all the additional income will be used for the increase of teachers' salaries.

To the taxpayer the additional levy will mean that his taxes will be increased only 10 per cent on this account; for instance, instead of paying total real estate taxes of \$100 he will pay \$110 if the increase is authorized. Surely this is a modest request.

The taxpayer who has no children in the schools is no less concerned in their welfare. To the schools are entrusted the country's future—economic and social. Today it is in the countries where the children have been least educated that social disorders have made most headway.

We have said that we do not need to argue the importance of the schools to Winnetka. The vote on the special election will be a fair test of how earnestly we believe in their importance.

WOUNDED MEN ATTACK "SMOTHERED STEAKS"

On Friday, May 23, Winnetka entertained 125 of the wounded soldiers from Fort Sheridan at a dinner at Community House followed by motion pictures.

The affair was under the management of Mrs. J. R. Dickinson and an able committee co-operating with Mrs. F. B. Thomas who has done such faithful work in providing automobile rides for the men on Friday afternoons. Mrs. Thomas and her Motor Corps delivered everyone of the guests at the Community House on time for a six o'clock dinner.

Through the kindness of those who bought tickets for the affair it was possible for the committee to serve a generous dinner of porterhouse steak and onions, new potatoes and peas, plus strawberry shortcake. It was thoroughly appreciated by the guests of honor as attested by the comment of a sergeant who claimed to be the most wounded man at the hospital, as he had acquired since his return from overseas, "the hindlegs of three jackrabbits for a hip, two silver ribs, and a glass eye." He said his old French "mother" who cooked for him and his "buddy" over in the Argonne region did pretty well, but when it came to the test, the U. S. A. grew the best brand of steak and onions and American mothers were the best cooks.

It is planned to give a series of entertainments for these wounded heroes within our gates, and a picnic supper has been arranged for June 20. This time the committee plans to forego onions in favor of girls, and a committee headed by Miss Mary Williams and Miss Ruth Lasier, has been appointed to take charge of the affair.

SCHOOL, ART, HOME ECONOMIC, SHOP WORK EXHIBIT, JUNE 6

Public school officials this week announced the annual exhibit of Art, Home Economics and Shop Work to be given, Friday, June 6, in the afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock and in the evening from 7 to 9 o'clock. Work of the first 4 grades will be shown in the children's own classrooms at the Skokie, Horace Mann and Greeley schools. Work of grades 5 to 8 will be exhibited in the corridor of the Horace Mann school. The public is invited.

Raymond Robins to Speak Here Sunday

Community House is to have Mr. Raymond Robins as speaker at the Sunday Evening Community meeting, June 1. Mr. Robins will speak on Russia. His first-hand knowledge of conditions there, derived from his recent experiences in that country, will be of particular interest at this time. Winnetka is fortunate to have this opportunity to hear so noted a man. Children will not be admitted without their parents. The meeting is at 8 o'clock, but the doors will be open at 7:30 o'clock.

Harold I. Ickes will be chairman for the evening.

FORMER SERVICE MEN TO DON UNIFORMS

At the Third Community dance to be given at Community House on Saturday evening, May 31, the Winnetka former service men will don their uniforms in memory of old times. From present reports there will be a crowd similar to that present two weeks ago when the young people of Winnetka entertained the "Reilly's Bucks."

Nearly two hundred young people of the Village have applied for membership to these dances and it seems assured that the total of three hundred members will be reached easily.

Gift of Painting

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Eisendrath have presented to Community House a painting by Mr. Von Hofsten, a snow scene in Hubbard Woods.

Piano Soloist

Elmer Nelson of Winnetka appeared early this week as piano soloist at the meeting in Evanston of the North Shore Salvation Army Young People's club.

MEMORIAL SUNDAY

Winnetka's Community Memorial ceremonies will be held on the Village Common at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Merritt Starr will be the speaker of the occasion. A detachment of the Great Lakes band will appear in concert and there will be Community singing and the customary annual memorial exercises.

AMERICAN LEGION POST STARTS HERE

Thirty-four Winnetka Men Organize
Local Branch of Society At Com-
munity House

PLAN DINNER, JUNE NINTH

Announce Terms of Eligibility for
Men Who Have Served in the
World War

Monday, May 26, marked the birth of the Winnetka Post of the American Legion when 34 service men meeting at Community House, voted to organize the local branch of the society. It is estimated there are over 300 Winnetka veterans of the world war automatically entitled to join the society.

Name Temporary Leaders

R. W. Hardenbergh was elected temporary chairman of the Winnetka Post, and Corporal F. O. Mason, temporary secretary-treasurer.

Through the courtesy of the Winnetka Woman's club the use of their club building was secured for the evening on Monday, June 9, and it was voted to have a dinner at that time, and induct into membership a large number of applicants.

Major Frank W. Blatchford, Captain Sidney F. Greeley, and Ensign Samuel S. Otis, are in charge of the dinner arrangements.

Are You Eligible?

"All persons who were in the military or naval service of the United States during the period between April 6, 1917, and November 11, 1918, both dates inclusive, and all persons who served in the military or naval services of any of the governments associated with the United States during the World War, provided they were citizens of the United States, at the time of their enlistment and are again citizens at the time of their application, except those persons separated from the service under terms amounting to dishonorable discharge, and except also those persons who refused to perform their military duties on the ground of conscientious objection, are eligible to membership in the American Legion."

"HOBO JACK" AGAIN MUST FACE TRIAL

A race to save his father from arrest and prosecution occurred late Saturday afternoon on Country road, just west of Evanston when the son of John Burzik, alias "Hobo Jack," was driving an automobile leisurely along the road and another automobile full of deputy sheriffs reared up alongside and asked for "Hobo Jack's Joint." Young Burzik did not reply but turned on the gas and directed his automobile for his father's home with the deputy sheriffs in hot pursuit.

"The sheriffs are coming," yelled young Burzik to his father as he leaped from his machine.

Hobo Jack commenced giving orders to the large group of men who were in his alleged basement saloon. He drew the shades and was about to bolt the door, when one of the men who had been drinking at the improvised bar, showed a star under his coat. Jack was not a little surprised to find that he had been entertaining "stool pigeons."

The men taken from Hobo Jack's home and that of Paul Hohns, another alleged blind pig keeper, were taken to Morton Grove where they are to appear for trial.

"QUEEN ESTHER" CANTATA PRESENTED HERE, JUNE 3

On Tuesday evening, June 3, the cantata, "Queen Esther" will be presented at Community House, by a combined chorus of seventy-five voices from the Buena Memorial Presbyterian church.

This cantata, at 8:15 o'clock, will be given in costume. Mr. DeWitt Lash is the director. General admission tickets will be fifty-five cents, including war tax. The proceeds will go to charity. Tickets are on sale at Community House.

OPEN DINING ROOM AT NEW GOLF CLUB

The dining rooms at the new Evanston golf club are open and breakfast, luncheon and dinner will be served daily. A special feature is the golf luncheon in the men's grill.

Breakfast will be served from 7:00 to 9:00 o'clock, luncheon from 11:45 to 2:15 o'clock, and dinner from 6:30 to 9:30 o'clock. Tea will be served every afternoon.

NOTED PREACHERS TO BE HERE THIS SUMMER

Trio of Prominent Churchmen To
Supply Congregational Church
Pulpit This Summer

RICHARDS TO GO EAST

Pastor Will Be Absent During July
and August; Dr. Soares Here
July 20

Distinguished preachers will supply the pulpit at the Winnetka Congregational church during the summer months in the absence of the pastor, Reverend James Austin Richards who will leave for the east in July on his summer absence. The pulpit will be supplied as follows:

July 20, Professor Theodore G. Soares.

July 27, Reverend Quincy L. Dowd. August 3, Dr. Robert W. Gammon.

August 10, Reverend Quincy L. Dowd.

August 17, Professor Theodore G. Soares.

August 24, Reverend Robert W. Gammon.

August 31, Professor Theodore G. Soares.

September 7, Professor Theodore G. Soares.

Many will remember the remarkable address of Professor Soares given on the Common last Memorial Day. He is at present Professor of Homiletics at the University of Chicago. Mr. Dowd is a former minister of this church and still deeply loved among us. Dr. Gammon is a secretary of the Congregational Educational society and an editor of the Congregationalist.

COL. J. B. SANBORN ANXIOUS TO START AFTER WILD DUCKS

Colonel J. B. Sanborn of Winnetka and Evanston, was expected to reach Chicago this week.

The first thing he wanted to do, wrote Colonel Sanborn, was to go duck shooting, if there is a spot where the game laws permit it at this season, some place so far in the woods that he wouldn't see a soul.

Mrs. Sanborn said that the only news that she had had of her husband's arrival in New York was through the newspapers. After she had learned that he had arrived in this country she received a letter from Colonel Sanborn dated May 9 from Brest telling that he was coming home.

In that letter he calmly wrote that he had received a few more medals—Distinguished Service Order, Croix de Guerre with palms on it, Officer of the Legion of Honor, the Officer of Leopold from Belgium, and the D. S. C. from America.

"O," laughed Mrs. Sanborn, "he has too many medals to wear on one chest."

Parent Teacher Activities

The Skokie school "Picture Drive" closed this week. The children obtained about 27,000 pictures for their school library, including the complete edition of the geographical magazines from 1912 through 1918, and wish to thank the parents for co-operating so heartily in their drive.

STORK WINS IN RACE TO CHICAGO HOSPITAL

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Golinsky, 1705 Forest avenue, announce the birth of a seven pound boy on Saturday morning, May 24.

Mrs. Golinsky was being taken to the Norwegian hospital in a taxi-cab when the child was born.

Guests at Dinner

Reverend and Mrs. Frank E. Wilson and Reverend Hubert Carleton, rector of St. Augustine's church, and Mrs. Carleton, were guests at dinner Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Burt A. Crowe, 1009 Chestnut avenue.

Move To Wilmette

G. W. Hess of Chicago has purchased the Appleyard house at 1122 Lake avenue.

The R. B. Scott family, of Toronto, Canada, have purchased the William B. Wrenn home at 518 Linden avenue, Wilmette.