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NAME T. J. LYNCH VILLAGE FORESTER

Winnetkan Who Formerly Held That Position Is Reappointed by Council Upon Return From France

CARES FOR PARK TREES

Has Had Wide Experience Both In Civil Life and in the Service in Tree Culture and Surgery

Thomas J. Lynch has again been employed by the Village in the capacity of Village Forester to give advice and assistance to the department of Public Works in all matters pertaining to the welfare of trees in the parkways.

Served In War

Mr. Lynch has had a wide experience in forestry in the east, and during his service with the American expeditionary forces in France, worked for four months under Captain Dixon who had charge of forestry instruction.

Appropriate Fund

The Village Council has made an appropriation of \$200 to give as much attention as possible during the present season to trimming and spraying the trees in the Village parkways.

Mr. Lynch was recently discharged from the service and has established a private tree-surgery business in Winnetka. He was Village Forester prior to enlisting in the army.

TWENTY-FIVE BOYS ENJOY CAMP VACATION

A happy group of twenty-five youngsters gathered at Community House, Monday afternoon, June 30, fully equipped for their two weeks outing in camp. Smiling faces told of their joy at the prospect of this playtime and they needed no second bidding from Mr. Anderson in charge, when told to climb into the automobiles gathered there to drive them to the boat. They will spend two weeks on Hamlin Lake, near Ludington, Michigan, in the camp maintained under the auspices of Community House, with Mr. J. W. F. Davies in charge.

On their return a group of twenty-six girls is to leave for the camp for two weeks. They are very happy over the prospect. Mrs. E. W. Wortley will go with the girls to camp.

Should there be any girl in Winnetka who cares for this outing she should communicate at once with Mrs. Wortley as transportation and reservation must be taken care of immediately.

COL. SANBORN GETS BIG CIVILIAN JOB; ANOTHER CITATION

Chicago dailies this week bore report of the appointment of Col. Joseph B. Sanborn, of the 131st Infantry as a member of the new tax commission of Illinois. Simultaneously with the appointment came word to Mrs. Sanborn from the War department of a new citation by General Pershing.

The citation reads:
"Col. Joseph B. Sanborn,
131st Infantry—

For distinguished and exceptional gallantry at Chittily Ridge August 9, 1918, in the operation of the American expeditionary forces. In testimony thereof, as an expression of appreciation of his valor, I award this citation."

The citation came over the signature of General Pershing.

Colonel and Mrs. Sanborn formerly resided in Winnetka and are well known on the north shore. Their present home is in Evanston.

VICTORY TROPHY AT NORTH SHORE GOLF CLUB JULY 4

The qualifying round for Director's club was played Saturday at the North Shore Golf club, and B. G. McCloud headed the list of qualifiers with a net 68, next in order came F. E. Cole, George Sunderland, O. T. Reeves, W. C. Braun, D. W. Lester, J. F. Byrnes, R. E. Hall, F. R. Buckman, H. H. Boice, J. F. Stone, J. B. Marshall, V. B. Scott, George Haas, C. D. Heller, F. C. Irwin, F. J. Seng, H. Thompson, W. Betteridge, S. Y. Ball, H. A. Gould, A. J. Taylor, R. Moody, J. Kuttan, A. Page.

Friday, July 4, will be celebrated by a Victory Trophy event in the morning, and a mixed foursome in the afternoon, also opening date for the Frank J. Seng trophy.

Winnetka's Bird-Eating, Night-Yowling Cats Subject of Complaints From Residents

A campaign to rid Winnetka of bird-eating, night-yowling cats is imminent if one may judge by the number of complaints recently voiced by a number of citizens. Members of the Winnetka Woman's club and other civic organizations, are expected to decide upon a plan of action and a special request has been made by Mrs. Carrie B. Prouty, president, that residents of the Village be informed concerning the vicious and obnoxious habits of the common family pet and her cousin the alley cat.

Cats, the members of the club have ascertained, killed 2,508,530 birds in one year in the state of Illinois alone, according to recent statistics or, putting it differently, a roaming, bird-eating cat catches from 50 to 100 song-birds in this state each year. Furthermore it is stated, upon good authority, they say, that cats kill more birds than all other animals combined.

They quote an authority:

"Cats destroy millions of native birds in this country every year. Well known authorities agree that cats kill more birds than are killed by all other animals combined. Native birds are absolutely necessary to us as destroyers of insect life. A yellow throated warbler will consume 10,000 tree lice in one day; a scarlet tanager has been watched closely and seen to devour gypsy moths at the rate of 35 a minute for 18 minutes at a time. I found 2,000 mosquitoes and many houseflies, beetles and other insects in the stomach of one purple

martin which was killed on my place. Men who have given their lives to the study of this subject claim that we could not live if it were not for the birds—the insects would destroy vegetation. Insects now cost this country—by their destruction of fruit and grains—between \$400,000,000 and \$800,000,000 a year."

Again:

The U. S. Department of Agriculture advocates the merciful destruction of stray cats. Mr. A. K. Fisher, of this department, writes: "Field naturalists and others who have studied conditions surrounding our native birds agree that the house cat is as destructive to birds as all other natural enemies combined."

"The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in New York City kills annually about 75,000 sick, injured and homeless cats. If we hope to increase the number of our song and insectivorous birds the stray cats should be suppressed. This can be accomplished by the license system, which will give protection only to valuable household pets."

A Chicago Health Commissioner says that 90 per cent of the cats have tuberculosis. Hundreds of thousands of cats are killed by order of the Health department in many American cities every year.

Though police and other Village officials report no formal complaints bearing upon the cat nuisance it is believed a movement will soon be underway having as its object a formal request for the licensing of cats by a system similar to that employed in the case of dogs.

Lake New Trier Popular Swimm' Hole; Parents and Children Invited to Take Lessons

The natatorium at the New Trier High school is experiencing one of the largest summer registrations in its history. Especially is this true of boy and girl swimmers and non-swimmers. Yet there are several persons in the community, mostly parents, who do not realize what a splendid opportunity they have to learn this most enjoyable art of swimming and diving and to have their children learn while the teaching and learning is, in most cases, a simple matter.

The New Trier High school natatorium has 68,000 gallons of water being filtered continually. The bottom of Lake New Trier gently slopes from 3 to 8 feet deep with no rocks or treacherous holes and currents. Expert supervision is maintained at all times with three instructors available. Group classes have been arranged for any person from six to sixty years of age, and special instruction may be had if desired. The residents of the township are welcome to visit the classes and examine the equipment at any time when the natatorium is in use.

The 1919 summer swimming season is just starting and will continue until August 15. The schedule of group classes is arranged below. Any further information may be obtained by telephoning Mr. Jackson, Winnetka 588 or Evanston 6448.

Schedule of Classes

- 8:30 each day—Boy swimmers who pass test.
- 9:00 each day—Girl swimmers who pass test.
- 9:30 each day except Wednesday—Women.
- 9:30 each Wednesday—Mothers and children. (Children under 10 years of age).
- 10:30 Monday, Wednesday and Friday—Girl non-swimmers, 9 to 12 years.
- 10:30 Tuesday and Thursday—Girl non-swimmers, under 9 years.
- 11:30 Monday, Wednesday and Friday—Boy non-swimmers, 9 to 12 years.
- 11:00 Tuesday and Thursday—Boy non-swimmers, under 9 years.
- 2:00 each day—Boys' general swim.
- 2:30 each day—Girls' general swim.
- 8:00 Wednesday night—Family night for adults.

Star of Gold

Captain Walter H. Schulze of Kenilworth, was killed Friday evening, June 27, at Montabaur, near Coblenz, Germany, when a plane he was piloting sideslipped while at a low altitude and crashed into the main street of the German city. Captain Schulze was believed to have been instantly killed.

Captain Schulze, a graduate of West Point Military Academy, went to France with the 3rd Cavalry, 18 months ago but was soon after transferred to the air service. He was attached to the 138th pursuit squadron.

He had been on active duty with the Army of Occupation in Germany since the signing of the armistice. He was one of several aviators who volunteered to carry copies of the first extra edition of the Ameroc News, an American newspaper in

Germany, to the men of the 1st division who for more than a week had been concentrated preparatory to an advance into Germany in the event the Germans should refuse to sign the peace treaty. Captain Schulze had completed his mission and was returning to headquarters at the time of the fatal accident.

Captain Schulze was 26 years old and the son of Paul Schulze of 158 Melrose avenue, Kenilworth. He was graduated from West Point in 1917. He went overseas as a lieutenant with the 3rd Cavalry soon after the United States entered the war.

Early in 1918 he was transferred to the air service in which he was commissioned a captain and assigned later to the 138th pursuit squadron. A brother, Paul Schulze, Jr., is an officer in the regular army.

MEDICAL CORPS OFFICER OPENS WINNETKA OFFICE

Dr. A. H. Wales, physician and surgeon, who recently returned from France, where he served as a captain in the Medical Corps, is about to open offices in the Prouty Block. At present Dr. and Mrs. Wales are mak-

ing their home with Mrs. Wales' sister, Mrs. C. E. Butler in Hubbard Woods.

In Toronto

Mrs. Henry R. Hale and daughter, Ethel, are in Toronto, Canada.

Here's Opportunity to Help 'Wheel-Chair' Men

When one hundred wounded soldiers from the Fort Sheridan hospital were entertained at a picnic held on the lawn at the home of Mrs. L. M. Johnson, Sheridan road, Winnetka, following a motor ride on Friday, June 20, the committee in charge of the day's outing, together with the authorities at the hospital, had tried an experiment. The experiment was a complete success.

This was the first time "wheel-chair" patients at the hospital had been included in an excursion away from the hospital. It was so successful that another outing has been planned by the committee for Friday, July 25.

For the picnic on June 30 the wheel-chairs were transported in a large motor truck so that when the men arrived at the Winnetka home in their "first" automobile ride their chairs were ready for them. There were fifteen "wheel-chair" patients. They were wheeled out on the lawn and were able to enjoy fully the entertainment along with their more fortunate comrades.

The plan was considered so entirely successful that the committee expresses satisfaction that, with the financial assistance of residents of the north shore, one hundred "wheel-chair" patients from the hospital may be afforded an outing each month. The committee appeals for funds to insure the success of this splendid venture. Contributions will be gratefully received by the chairman, Mrs. F. G. Thomas, 680 Walden road, Winnetka.

Three Cent Stamps Are Not Redeemable

Three-cent stamps are not redeemable since being replaced by the old-time two-cent postage for letters. This report contradicts earlier reports emanating from Washington. The official order to all postmasters with reference to the change on postage rates reads in part as follows:

"Postmasters shall not redeem three-cent adhesive postage stamps for the public, nor return their stocks to the department. These stamps will continue to be good for all purposes of mail requiring stamps to the amount of three cents or over."

During the month of July, however, the postmaster is instructed to redeem at their original cost two cent postal cards and three cent stamped envelopes, whether printed or unprinted. After July these are to be redeemed at their postal value only. In order to be redeemed the two cent and three cent envelopes must be presented by the original purchaser. No cash will be paid, but other stamped paper may be had in exchange.

On and after July 1 the two-cent postage rate per ounce or fraction will be applicable to letters addressed for delivery in the Bahamas, Canada, Cuba, Barbadoes, British Guiana, British Honduras, Dominican Republic, Dutch West Indies, England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, Leeward Islands, Mexico, Newfoundland, New Zealand, Panama, Trinidad (including Tobago), and Windward Islands (including Grenada, St. Vincent, The Grenadines, and St. Lucia). Postal cards and post cards (private mailing cards) addressed for delivery in Canada, Cuba, Mexico, and Panama, will be 1 cent each.

NEXT COMMUNITY DANCE IS JULY 12; NO DANCE JULY 5

The next Young People's Community dance is announced for Saturday, July 12, not July 5 as it has been rumored. It is requested that members spread this news so that no person will be inconvenienced. The young people of the Village are happy to state that these dances are becoming more and more popular, even though the weather man is persistently making it hot for the affairs. The attractive features of these dances are good music, good, big floor, good chaperone and pretty girls who are good dancers. The next dance is Saturday evening, July 12, at Community House.

Pave Ridge Avenue

Work on the State Aid road on Ridge avenue from Winnetka avenue on the north to Lake avenue on the south, is progressing rapidly. The road, it is said, will be constructed of concrete-macadam and is expected to be completed within a few months.

POLICE BAFFLED BY MYSTERY ACCIDENT

Northwestern Elevated Motorman Reports Three Boys Struck by Train at Canal Bridge

FIND FISHING POLE END

Chicago Man Reports Sons and Companion Missing After Fishing Trip to Canal Region

Wilmette and Evanston police and officials of the Chicago Sanitary District were mystified this week over the report of an accident at the Canal bridge of the Northwestern Elevated road north of the Central street transfer station, where, a motorman of the road reports, two or three boys were struck by a southbound train early Sunday morning and hurled into the canal.

Police, assisted by coast guard men from the Cook street life saving station, dragged the canal in the vicinity of the bridge almost immediately after the accident was reported but found only the broken end of a fish-pole as evidence.

The report that three boys were struck by the train was materially strengthened later this week when A. Zeigler, 1510 North Rockwell avenue, reported his two sons, Reuben and Maurice, 19 and 15 years old respectively, accompanied by Walter Birr, 14 years old, left home late Saturday night on a fishing expedition at the mouth of the canal and had not been seen or heard of since. It was explained the boys would have been in Wilmette at about the time of the reported accident. The theory of the police is that the boys went through to the Linden avenue terminal and walked back to the canal. The boys, who, the father explained, were unacquainted in this vicinity, it was thought had mistaken the bridge for the fishing place, and were trapped while walking across the structure. There is a drop of 12 feet from the bridge to the canal where the water is practically 25 feet in depth.

The report was made to the police at 1:30 o'clock Sunday morning by C. G. Malm, 262 South boulevard, Evanston, motorman, who said that he saw the boys on the structure as he was crossing the bridge, that he applied the emergency brakes immediately, but the youths were either struck by the train or from fright fell into the canal. Malm said that he stopped the elevated train immediately, refusing to continue to the loop, while the conductor and trainmen started a search along the canal banks. Malm also called the police ambulance and the policemen assisted in the search for the bodies.

After a search of more than half an hour the men were only able to recover a fishing pole, which they believe was in the possession of the youths at the time of the accident. Throughout the day the canal was under close observation, especially at Lawrence avenue, where nets are spread.

PLANS COMPLETED FOR ARDEN SHORE BENEFIT

The production of "The House that Jack Built," the operetta to be given by the children and young people of Winnetka on the lawn of the John W. Scott estate in Hubbard Woods, on the evening of Friday, July 11, and the afternoon of Saturday, July 12, for the benefit of the Arden Shore Rest Camp at Lake Bluff, has been well rehearsed and all plans completed for the unusual performance.

Setting of the stage in the nature background on what is generally considered among the most beautiful estates on the north shore, will be completed next week.

Elaborate preparations indicate a really beautiful affair. Beautiful lighting effects, amusing and realistic properties, add to the exquisite rhythm of the Mother Goose verses, and the splendid music composed by Mrs. Gaynor.

Graduate

Jane Webb, daughter of A. Webb, formerly a resident of Wilmette, was among the graduates of the Libertyville Grammar school last month. Graduation exercises were held on June 13.

Move to Wilmette

Mrs. Alma Peterson and daughters of Hubbard Woods have moved into the residence at 1501 Washington avenue.