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ASK WINNETKANS TO HELP THIS FAMILY

Colored Church Leader and Family Of Seven Children Rendered Destitute When Fire Completely Destroys Little Home

MOTHER DIED LAST SPRING

James Jordan, Well Known in Winnetka and Glencoe Homes As Handy Man, Needs Help

James Jordan, pastor of the Colored Mission in Glencoe, is more commonly known to Winnetka housewives as a faithful handy-man who goes about from place to place in the Village doing odd chores in the homes.

Jordan is an honest worker. His duties in the Glencoe mission did not carry with them sufficient remuneration to feed and clothe his family of seven small children so the father was forced to resort to outside work to make up the deficit. Last spring the Spanish Influenza claimed his wife as a victim and left the church leader alone with the large family of growing children.

Children Escape Flames

Fate has been most unkind to James Jordan. The other day while at work in a Winnetka home fire completely destroyed the little "parsonage" in Glencoe. All the household furniture and goods were consumed in the flames and the family made homeless. Two little tots were in the home when the fire broke out but walked out of the building to safety. An older sister had gone to the grocery and the other children were at school.

A temporary home has been provided for the stricken family by kindly disposed residents of Winnetka and Glencoe.

Need Furniture and Clothing

Now there is an urgent need for second hand furniture and household goods to supply the home. Mrs. L. C. Norton, 370 Walnut avenue, Winnetka, telephone Winnetka 518-J, will be glad to accept any contribution of goods or money. Furniture and household goods for sale at reduced prices will also be welcome. Second hand clothing to provide the family is also desired at once.

Note: The Weekly Talk is sponsoring this cause because it is a home charity and because there is need for immediate relief for this poor family. Readers are kindly requested to consider this opportunity to assist a needy family now facing the winter in destitute circumstances.

REQUEST MORE WOMEN FOR COMMUNITY HOUSE CLASSES

Community House is a busy Village spot these days. The gymnasium classes show a larger attendance than ever. The children's Thursday afternoon dancing class has an enrollment of over seventy-five. All these classes are open to residents of Winnetka, and are under the direction of Harry J. Clarke, assisted by Mr. Anderson, Miss Schafer, Mrs. Clarke, and Miss Blasius.

Some applications for gymnasium classes for women on Monday and Thursday have been received. Such classes will be formed as soon as an enrollment of twenty-four is reached. Winnetka women who desire to avail themselves of such an opportunity, should communicate with the office of Community House at once, and should help interest groups of their friends so that these classes may be formed. A membership in Community House entitles each person to enter any of the classes and admits them to all the privileges of Community House.

MOTHER OF HIGH SCHOOL INSTRUCTOR DIES HERE

Mrs. E. Abbie Grover, 293 Ridge avenue, mother of Miss Olive Lathrop Grover, instructor at New Trier High school, died Wednesday morning at the North Shore Health resort following an extended illness.

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at Graceland chapel. The ashes will be buried at Mount Auburn, Boston.

NEW PHYSICIAN

Dr. Gilbert M. Loewe, general practitioner, recently returned from war service, has opened offices at 784 Elm street.

ART CLASS OPENS

The Winnetka Extension class of the Art Institute begins its sessions today at the Winnetka Woman's club from 9:30 to 11:30 o'clock. The teacher is Mathilde Klemm.

WINNETKA RESOLUTION WINS AT LEGION MEET

State Convention Delegates Vote To Back Up Resolutions Declaring War On Seditious Alien Enemies in U. S.

TO DEMAND DEPORTATION

Ayres Boal, Winnetka Delegate, Appointed To Important Committee At State Convention

When the State convention of the American Legion of Illinois opened at Peoria, on October 14, Winnetka was represented by Ayres Boal, Village President John S. Miller, Jr., R. E. Hardenburgh and A. Lee Adams. With the exception of Mr. Miller these men officially represented the Winnetka Post of the Legion.

One of the first and most important tasks of the convention was the selection of a group of men to determine upon the best resolutions presented by the various posts in the interest of economy in time. Ayres Boal was named on the committee.

Hit Alien Enemies

The resolution offered by J. A. Dickenson to the Winnetka Post which, in turn, instructed its delegates to push the matter at the convention, was adopted by the convention with a slight amendment. The resolution strongly urged action in reference to sedition including the deportation of alien enemies and "Reds". The resolution was drawn up under supervision of former Secretary of War Dickenson.

The Winnetka Post will hold a meeting Tuesday evening, October 28, at the Post headquarters in the Winnetka Woman's club. The membership of the local post has passed the 200 mark and a 100 per cent membership is expected before the November 11, Armistice Day meeting and celebration.

NOTED PUBLICIST SPEAKS AT COMMUNITY SERVICES

Dr. Charles Zueblin, Editor of the Twentieth Century Magazine Is Sunday Evening Speaker

Dr. Charles Zueblin, editor of the Twentieth Century Magazine and author of the widely read book, "The Religion of a Democrat," will be the speaker at the Sunday Evening Community meeting at Community House. His subject will be, "Faith under Fire."

Sunday evening's meeting will be the fourth of a series of Community evening meetings which are proving immensely popular in the Village. Excellent speakers of national and international reputation are appearing at Community House and questions of vital interest to every Winnetka citizen are being discussed. The meetings have been very largely attended and the series is generally considered to be the best ever held in Winnetka. The meetings are conducted under the joint auspices of all Protestant churches in Winnetka.

On last Sunday evening a packed house was thrilled by the remarkable account of the experiences in war ravaged France of Dr. Alice Barlow-Brown, Winnetka physician and relief worker recently returned from France where for two years she ministered to the needs of children wives and mothers of French soldiers.

DEMISED POLE CAT TURNS OUT TO BE PET ANGORA

Chief of Police W. M. Peterson and one of his stalwart patrolmen hurriedly boarded the Village police machine early this week and whizzed through the streets at top speed in answer to the frantic summons of a distracted housewife who had spied a prying polecat in the vicinity of the family chicken yard.

Arriving at the home Chief Peterson encountered the prowler at a precautionary distance, drew his revolver, hesitated.

"I might miss it with this," he whispered to the policeman, "Go back to the station and fetch me a shotgun."

The shotgun came. The chief took deliberate aim and that was the end of what was it we said? No. It was somebody's pet angora.

ATTENDS MANAGERS' MEET

Village Manager H. L. Woolhiser was authorized by the Council Tuesday evening to attend the convention of the City Managers' association to be held at Indianapolis, Ind., on October 27, 28 and 29.

THANKS WORKERS WHO BOOSTED MILLER FUND

Chairman L. Sherman Aldrich Reports Total Contributions from North Shore at \$6,106.77

L. Sherman Aldrich of Hubbard Woods, chairman for the John Miller Trust Fund recently raised by north shore voluntary contributions and special benefit events in Chicago, requests through the columns of the Weekly Talk to acknowledge with sincere thanks the services of the many women workers who sacrificed so much valuable time in the interest of this cause.

Contributions from the north shore at final compilation reached the total of \$6,106.77, according to Mr. Aldrich. Acknowledgement of the following donations is made by Mrs. Aldrich:

John E. Bunker, Winnetka, \$5; collected by Mrs. A. B. Adair, Glencoe, \$25.75; collected at Winnetka Pharmacy, Winnetka, \$7.96; August Ziesing, Glencoe, \$15; Clifford J. Ellis, Glencoe, \$2.50; C. C. Weeks, Glencoe, \$5; Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Hess, Glencoe, \$50; Fred W. Harmon, Glencoe, \$25.

John Miller, for whom the Trust Fund was raised is at the Evanston hospital recovering from injuries received two months ago when he was struck by a Chicago and Northwestern railway flyer at the Gage street crossing, Hubbard Woods, when he made a heroic but vain attempt to save the lives of Mr. and Mrs. William Tanner. He has an invalid wife and three small children.

DISCUSS LABOR PROBLEMS AT MEN'S CLUB MEETING

Dr. Graham Taylor, Strike Investigator, To Address Men's Club of Winnetka Monday

Dr. Graham Taylor, who has made an extensive investigation of the Gary strike situation, will be the speaker before the Men's club of Winnetka at a dinner Monday evening, October 27. His subject will be, "Impressions at Gary and what they imply." The meeting will be held at Community House. All men of the Village are welcome. The dinner is scheduled for 7 o'clock. Men who wish to attend are asked to telephone Charles F. Simpson, Winnetka 1563.

The Men's club of Winnetka is a non-sectarian organization. Interesting programs are arranged for the gatherings which have been very popular in the past. All men of the Village are earnestly invited to align themselves with the organization.

Officers of the club for this year are: President, Frank F. Fowle; vice president, John L. Hamilton; secretary and treasurer, Charles F. Simpson.

ARMY CONVALESCENT MAY NEED YOUR CAR THIS WEEK

Men at Fort Sheridan get mighty weary of staying around the hospital grounds at the army post. Consequently several Winnetka women have agreed to secure automobiles to take these men on afternoon drives. Friday is Winnetka Day in this service. Since last March Mrs. Fred B. Thomas has volunteered to get the cars to go to Fort Sheridan at 1:30 o'clock and take loads of convalescents for a drive.

Winnetka has been sending from seven to twelve cars to the fort each Friday, but more cars are needed.

The Talk will keep this subject constantly before the public of Winnetka so that Mrs. Thomas may be assured of the necessary number of cars for this splendid service. With hundreds of cars in Winnetka it is considered an easy matter to provide at least twenty cars for this work every Friday afternoon.

You may step to your telephone now and register your car and personal services with Mrs. Thomas by calling Winnetka 794.

CARLTON COLLEGE HEAD TO PREACH HERE SUNDAY

President Donald J. Cowling, of Carlton College, will preach the sermon at the Winnetka Congregational church Sunday morning.

President Cowling is also president of the American Association of College Professors. Though the topic of the sermon is not announced it is promised the eminent educator will have a message of great interest to all Winnetka churchgoers.

HONORABLE DISCHARGE

Francis van Wyck Mason, 507 Ash street, has received his honorable discharge from service and is attending the Berkshire School, Sheffield, Mass.

W. S. MILLER HEADS IMPROVEMENT BODY

Named President for Ensuing Year At Annual Meeting of Improvement Association Held at Community House

ASSOCIATIONS MAY UNITE

Plan Under Way To Join Forces of Winnetka and Indian Hill Associations

The Winnetka Village Improvement association held its annual meeting on Monday evening, October 20, at Community House. W. A. Otis presided, and Mrs. Charles T. Mordock acted as secretary of the meeting. Reports were made by Morris L. Greeley, chairman of the Committee on Refuse Removal, William A. Otis, chairman of the Committee on Grade Separation and Mrs. William A. Otis, chairman of the Committee on Municipal Art.

Valuable Pictures

In connection with Mrs. Otis' report the interesting fact was brought out that the value of the pictures in the public schools owned by the Village Improvement association is upward of \$2,000.

Mr. John S. Miller, Jr., President of the Village, was present and talked at length on the present status of the Council plans for Village property, particularly in reference to the refuse removal plan and also as to grade separation.

Would Unite Associations

There was a discussion as to the advisability of uniting the Village Improvement Association of Winnetka with the Indian Hill Improvement association and the Hubbard Woods Improvement association and it was voted unanimously to attempt to bring about such a union.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, William S. Miller. First Vice-President, A. W. Converse.

Second Vice-President, E. J. Allsbrook.

Secretary, Mrs. Charles T. Mordock.

Treasurer, Mrs. H. L. Woolhiser.

Chairmen of standing committees: Refuse Removal, M. L. Greeley; Parkways, Mrs. Alan I. Wolf; Forestry, John Ritchie; Village Planning, Philip S. Post; Grade Separation, W. A. Otis; Lake Front and Beach, Buckingham Chandler; Municipal Art, Mrs. W. A. Otis; New Members, Mrs. Royal A. Hoagland; Publicity, S. Bowles King.

WINNETKA TO HAVE NEW FIRE ENGINE NEXT WEEK

Council Approves Purchase of Powerful American LaFrance 750 Gallons per Minute Pumper

Within a week Winnetka is to have complete and modern fire fighting apparatus. Purchase of an American LaFrance triple combination, 750 gallon per minute pumping engine was authorized by the Council Tuesday evening. Delivery on the new apparatus is promised within a week.

The new apparatus, according to Village Manager Woolhiser, will be adequate to take care of any fire emergency in Winnetka and is of the very latest type of fire engine construction. Services of a special driver and mechanic will be obtained to take charge of the engine to insure absolute efficiency in operation.

The old Packard fire truck is to be converted into a utility truck to be used for general Village work purposes, it is said.

Purchase of the new fire apparatus follows closely upon a recent series of fires which cost Winnetka property owners approximately \$30,000. The inadequacy of the old fire truck was glaringly demonstrated upon several occasions when it was found necessary to call upon the Wilmette department for assistance.

HAPPY FIREMEN

The Winnetka fire department members were pleased this week to receive a check for twenty-five dollars from President M. K. Meyers of the Winnetka Trust and Savings Bank. The gift was in acknowledgement of excellent services rendered by the department at a recent fire in the vicinity of the bank.

WINNETKA WINS

Winnetka's indoor team defeated Wilmette's Washington avenue team easily Wednesday evening 36 to 13. Another game between the two teams is being arranged for the near future.

RESIDENTS OPPOSE BUILDING PROJECT

Indian Hill Property Owners Deplore Proposed Erection of Large Store, Office and Apartment Building

COMPLAINT IS OLD STORY

Elimination of Bertling Lane "Semicircle" and "island" Was Start of General Complaints

Residents in the vicinity of Bertling Lane and Winnetka avenue are considerably ruffled concerning the proposed erection of a large store, office and apartment building at Indian Hill. They presented themselves in a body at the Village Council meeting Tuesday evening and voiced in no uncertain terms, their sentiment concerning the innovation along with complaints over the cutting away of the little beauty "island" which recently stood at the point where Bertling Lane and Winnetka avenue adjoin.

The story of the complaint is of long standing, according to Village Hall officials.

Special Inducement

When the territory in that vicinity was subdivided for the purpose of establishing residences it is said the prospective property owners were advised that the handsome semi-circular entrance into Bertling Lane from Winnetka avenue was to be a permanent fixture in the landscape. Such a beauty spot was a special inducement to purchase property in that vicinity, it was pointed out.

Then, after the property had been purchased and homes established, the island is to be cut away by the Village at request of William F. Temple and company, largest real estate holders in the Indian Hill section, and owners of the properties immediately adjacent to the location in question. The matter went through the customary court special assessment proceedings and was considered closed.

Oppose Business Block

Now, William F. Temple and company has practically received permission from the Village to erect a fireproof combined store, office and apartment building of modern design right on that corner, and the nearby property owners again voice their indignation. They object seriously to a business block in that residential neighborhood.

William F. Temple and company, on the other hand, contends, it is said, that the location is best fitted for business purposes it being a center of transportation and near property already devoted to business purposes.

The conclusion at the Village Hall is that while there may readily be much cause for complaint on the part of the residents there actually is no means of avoiding the inevitable since the owners of the proposed structure are the chief landholders. Any official interference by the Village, it is explained, would have the effect of invalidating the entire special assessment proceedings in the courts.

WELCOME HOME DINNER PLANNED FOR FIGHTERS

Winnetka's fighters in the World War are to be the guests of the Village on the evening of Tuesday, November 11, at a Welcome Home dinner.

On Monday evening, October 27, there will be a meeting of the committee in charge to formulate plans for the gala occasion which will be the occasion of the formal welcome by the Village to her returned service men.

Cuthbert C. Adams is chairman of the committee which is composed of Mrs. John R. Montgomery, Frederick W. Scott, Russell M. Heller, Stephen A. Foster, Robert J. Mehren, W. S. Miller, H. A. deWindt, B. W. Blow, Otto Butz, Wallace D. Rumsey, Mrs. Harold S. De Lay, Frederick S. Tyrrell, Mancel T. Clark.

INDCOR BASEBALL

At a meeting held Tuesday evening at Community House the Winnetka Indoor Baseball league was formally organized with Louis Gutekunst as president, Herbert Paulson vice president, H. P. Clarke, secretary and treasurer.

Two games will be played each Wednesday evening and all players desiring to join one of the teams in the league are invited to attend a meeting at Community House on Monday evening, October 27, at 8 o'clock, in order to be assigned.