

"SEARCH AND SEIZURE" OR "TEA ATBANQUET"

Members of Winnetka's Company A, I. R. M., Clash With Arm of Law in Hilarity Banquet Monday Night

HOLD A COURT MARTIAL

Major Hardenbergh Drills Awkward Squad; Other Features in Entertainment

Community House Monday night witnessed one of the liveliest gatherings in months when more than eighty members of Company A, first infantry, Illinois Reserve Militia, turned out in "civies" to celebrate the first annual re-union of the company.

The walls of the big banquet room re-echoed to the laughter and songs of the diners. Everybody was talking at once. In the midst of the lively session a side door opened and Chief of Police W. M. Peterson and Patrolman John Hanselman, armed for any emergency, entered. The guests shifted nervously in their chairs.

"We have received information that several members of the company have violated the prohibition act by carrying liquor to this dinner. We must enforce the law." Chief Peterson's voice was stern and his eyes swept the crowded dining room.

Search and Seizure
"Line up against the wall," ordered the chief.

A group of men at one of the nearest tables complied with the order and the chief and officer Hanselman began the search. When a genuine flask was drawn from an inner coat pocket on the person of M. F. Clark, the silence in the room became more pronounced. One of the men nervously suggested that the police be lenient and another suggested that the contents of the flask should be rested.

The policemen and several diners made their exit to complete the test while the banqueters remained speechless.

It began to appear that the frolicsome meeting was about to result seriously when the police re-entered. "On with the dinner gentlemen," said the chief. "The contents of this bottle have been duly sampled and tested by experts. It is only cold tea."

Then Everybody Laughed
"Just a little joke of ours," explained Wallace D. Rumsay, chairman of the entertainment committee.

Following this interesting episode the diners resumed their merriment while Lieutenant Colonel Hardenbergh, Captain C. T. Mordock and Mr. Rumsay led in after dinner speeches and songs. In the singing of "Smiles", Mr. B. W. Blow was found guilty of violating general order No. 13 and was promptly haled before a drumhead court martial. Mrs. C. J. Eastman offered to defend him while Frederick Dickinson served as prosecuting attorney. Judge Charles M. Thompson acted as Judge Advocate. As punishment Mr. Blow was ordered to balance a peanut on his nose.

Lieut. Col. Hardenbergh then assumed command of an awkward squad which lived up to its name. The officers, too, were slightly embarrassed when a memory test was ordered. Those in charge of the affair were enthusiastic in their praise of the prevailing spirit of the meeting and the company members are looking forward to the next annual gathering.

Tells Veterans of Winnetka Projects

President Miller Addresses Members of Local Post of the American Legion

Introduced as not only an ex-service man but a charter member of the American Legion, President Miller of Winnetka gave a very interesting and instructive talk this week before the Winnetka Post of the legion. Complete outlines of how each department is run and how the village derives and uses its funds were given.

Plans for the future were also explained and what action could be expected on such ventures as track depression and the proposed public improvements.

President Miller is well known to the Winnetka members of the American legion because of his appointment to the 333rd Field Artillery in which were put most of the men from this part of the state. Some seventy men from Winnetka were in Batteries E and F of President Miller's regiment.

ATTENTION VETERANS!
YOU MAY JOIN THE AMERICAN LEGION MAY 3 TO MAY 7.

Communication

"Appropo to Mrs. Porter's late communication, this letter is written to those who are perfectly willing to face the results of a defeat of the school board on May 1, at the polls and do not consider, either that it would be the greatest calamity in Winnetka's history. Like the water of the brook our school boards will go on and on but the present members will not continue forever and ever and who dares assert that the succeeding members will be less efficient or necessarily less experienced? Please remember the old adage, 'there is never a man so good that there isn't somebody else just as good.' Some of the brightest intellects in this country are on the opposing side and they are placing before you steel-cold facts. They wish you to know that the Elysium of getting something for nothing is not on this side of the River Styx, much less in Winnetka. Somebody is going to foot the bill for all this paving, side walking and draining and for what—and for whom?"

"I can not admit, today, that 'Winnetka has superior schools.' Once I was proud of it. I am afraid I have vitalized the curriculum with supervised recreation as one of its fundamental features' a little too much. I fully agree with one of our resident educators who said, 'we are turning out dreadfully poor material now-a-days. Once Winnetka stood number one, Wilmette and Kenilworth, two and three. Today Winnetka stands third.'

"For three years, I had full charge of the essay contests conducted by one of Chicago's great newspapers. On my staff were a half dozen readers of superior attainments. For several weeks we wrestled with thousands of essays sent in by the school children of Chicago and its suburbs. A Winnetka girl took one of the cash prizes, for the best story but my, my, such English, such spelling! Evanston was no better than the public or parochial schools elsewhere. 'What can be the reason?' questioned my readers. I replied, 'our children are being treated like a baker's pastry bag. We are squeezing in so much, in a day—recreation, manual training, domestic science, a dash of this and a zip of that, that they are pressing hard on the mental equipment which is oozing out at a point of least resistance—the small end of the brain bag. The child can scarcely find time to have a speaking acquaintance with grammar and spelling.' Now, the board is offering as a 'powerful reason', for going bus-ward, the 'spacious, quiet, 12-acre site.' Stop, look, and listen.

A communication from Messrs. Greeley and Rogers, to Mr. Bell, says, 'First, with regard to floods... only the large play ground is affected... Further more, the ball diamond and football field would not be used in any case... It also seems material to point out, that just across the street from the school building is a four acre park. This is public property which we are sure the present and future Park Commissioners will regard as a supplemental play ground not only during flood periods but at all times.' Now what do you think of that?"

"Just a word regarding that 'committee of 500.' An Elm St. advocate referring to it, said, 'We have the people with us. No, madam, not all of them. I was solicited by two postal and phone to be one of the people, so I am in but not for, and I know others.'

This committee is divided into four classes:

1. Unmarried people. (They know exactly what our children need.)
2. Married people who never had any children (ditto.)
3. Parents whose children did, or do, attend our public schools.
4. Parents who never allowed their children to darken the doors of our public schools.

"To day they are so interested that they are to become the arbiters of George's children. George's children can go any where this side of the Desplaines river, and in an isolated wind and snow swept country site all day under breakable skylights and over an underground river. Do the newcomers know the Skokie is the source of the Chicago river?"

"As far as an increase of the school population is concerned, if the same percentage of people who come, send their children to private schools or are in classes 1 and 2, I should say that an enlargement of the present schools will take care of all who do attend. The upper grades would be in the proposed school only about three years, at the most. Special stress should be laid on well grounding them in the mental essentials, then they can take advantage of New Trier's athletic field and wonderful equipment and can exercise the natural bent to its limit, with collegial athletics following they will be 'full c. rep.'"

"As for one story buildings, not an adult in Winnetka but what attended a two, or three story school and it never hurt them an atom and business stores were almost their next

door neighbors. Here, twenty years ago, Weissenberg's was the last store on Elm street just as is today. Believe me, business men are going to hug tight to the little old center of town as long as possible. Right or wrong remember Chicago's tremendous trade here. Talk about uncontrolled vice creeping in near Horace Mann. Rank twaddle! If the council and police cannot clean up matters, pronto, just let a committee of mothers from the Woman's club have a rein. The creeping will never get to a walk.

"Build your Horace Mann two, even three stores, enlarge your other schools. Never mind what you have been doing for the past ten years. The business world is sending forth a cry for brains not brawn.

"A clergyman saw a man turning the crank for a hod hoisting machine. 'My friends, in this hot sun, don't you know you will hurt your brains?' Pat replied, 'Do you think, sir, if I had any brains I'd be doin' this?'"

Yours with acrimony,
Victoria Adams Barber.

Doug. and Charlie In One Boy Scout Movie

Noted Film Stars To Be Seen at Community House May 5, Afternoon and Evening

Douglas Fairbanks and Charlie Chaplin will be the entertainers at Boy Scout Movies at Community House Wednesday, May 5.

Wednesday's bill is characterized as a "super-performance by the two greatest movie stars."

The main feature will be "His Majesty the American," Fairbank's most popular characterization. In this film "Doug" is said to perform more acrobatics than is witnessed at and average circus. He does new stunts never before attempted, it is said. The Scouts are certain every resident of Winnetka will like "His Majesty the American."

"The Firemen," one of Charlie Chaplin's most amusing presentations, will be the other film on the big double-feature bill. The only comment needed for this picture, say the Scouts, is that Charlie is at his best.

Miss Jean Martin, well known film accompanist, will be in charge of the musical program.

There will be an afternoon and evening performance.

Aid Hero Memorial At Skokie May Fete

School Children To Present Stevenson's Garden of Verses, on May 8

On Saturday, May 8, the Parent-Teacher association is presenting a very charming and novel entertainment at the Skokie school for the purpose of raising funds for the Gold Star Memorial which is to be placed in the Horace Mann school.

Stevenson's Garden of Verses is to be presented by the children of the schools and tea is to be served in a veritable old English garden during the program.

Tables for four are to be sold at nominal cost per person which includes both tea and entertainment.

The following committees are in charge:

Program: Miss Casey, Mrs. Kohl-saat and Miss Schafer.

Costumes and Properties: Mrs. Olmstead, Miss Harry, and Mrs. Laird Bell.

Decorations: Miss Glenna Griffith, Mrs. Franklin Rudolph, Mrs. Burnham, Mrs. Markley, Mrs. Weil and Mrs. Slocum.

Refreshments: Mrs. C. H. Coffin, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Rumsey, Mrs. Janney and Mrs. Elliott.

Sales Committee: Flowers, Candy and Garden Novelties: Mrs. Von Ammon, Mrs. Hinton, Mrs. Elliott, Mrs. I. K. Friedman and Mrs. Butz.

Tickets: Mrs. Chickering, Mrs. Abrahamson.

WINNETKA AND GLENCOE SCOUTS STAGE CONTEST

Winnetka Troop I of the Boy Scouts has accepted a challenge to hold a knot-tying contest with the Glencoe Troop. The public is invited to witness the event which is to be staged at Community House, Thursday evening, ay 6, at 7:30 o'clock.

The Glencoe, Winnetka, Kenilworth and Wilmette troops of the Boy Scouts have organized a baseball league. Opening games will be played today, Glencoe at Winnetka and Wilmette at Kenilworth.

POSTER PRESENTED TO LEGION

Two exceptionally fine posters drawn for the Winnetka Post dance on May 28, were presented to the Legion by Ivan and Malvin Albright. These two legionnaires are sons of the famous artist Albright of Winnetka. The posters will be shown in the store windows of Winnetka real soon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Thomas are moving the first of the week from 589 Lincoln avenue, to 250 Mortimer rd., Glencoe.

The Indian Hill Circle will meet on Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock at the home of Mrs. C. T. Davies, 132 Bertling Lane.

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