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SCHOOL OFFICIALS LAUD SYSTEM HERE

Illinois State Supervisor of Elementary Schools Speaks Highly of Individual System of Work in Winnetka Schools

TALKS TO THE MOTHERS

Declares Winnetka Parents Lead in Interest in School Problems and Activities

The State Supervisor of Elementary schools, W. J. Hoffman, of Springfield, Ill., inspected the Winnetka schools all day Tuesday. He was much impressed with the individual system and with the activity of the Parent-Teacher association.

"This has been a great day for me," he said to some of the teachers. "For years I have been dreaming of a system of education which would fit the individual, and today my dream has come true. I thought I should have to go out to San Francisco in order to see the individual system of education, but I find that we have one right here in Illinois. I want the State Superintendent of schools, Mr. Blair, to come here to see it."

Lauds Parents' Interest

Later addressing the mothers at a Skokie Parent-Teacher association meeting he said: "Of all the new things in education I have found here the newest and best. Never before have I seen parents so intimately discussing the details of the school work with the teachers. As I have gone around to your grade meetings today, I have seen an unusually close relation between parent and teacher and a remarkable interest in the details of the work of the school."

Visitor From Michigan

Superintendent of schools Ericson of Ypsilanti, Mich., visited in Winnetka Tuesday. He was entertained at luncheon by two of Winnetka's teachers, Miss Bayes and Miss Ford, who had been former students of his when he was on the faculty of the State Normal school in Ypsilanti. In talking to these teachers and to Mr. Washburne he expressed considerable interest in Winnetka's individual system.

RIDGE-OAK CROSSING NOW OPEN TO VILLAGE TRAFFIC

Workmen this week were putting the finishing touches on the reconstruction of the grade crossing and approaches to the Chicago and Northwestern railway right of way at Oak street and Ridge avenue, immediately south of the Winnetka station.

The single crossing, which has replaced the "death trap" double crossing, is singularly attractive as well as serving its very practical purpose. The broad, sweeping approach both from Ridge avenue and Oak street is an improvement long desired by motorists in the village. The station platforms have been extended to meet the new roadway and spaces have been arranged for grass plots of attractive arrangement.

The work on the crossing is being done jointly by the Chicago and Northwestern railway and the Village of Winnetka.

COUNTER WARRANTS

Counter warrants were taken out this week by Harold L. Clark, of the Village Department of Public Works, and James McGauran. Clark and McGauran came to cross purposes when the village official appeared at the McGauran premises to investigate complaints made by neighbors that the McGaurans were creating a nuisance by unloading quantities of ashes on the premises. The men, it was said, resorted to most primitive methods of argument.

RISCH FUNERAL TODAY

Funeral services for Mrs. Anna Risch, 832 Foxdale avenue, who passed away Wednesday night following a protracted illness, are to be held today at 2 o'clock at Prior's chapel, Highland Park. Burial will be at Memorial Park. Mrs. Risch is survived by her husband.

KIPPY DANCE TONIGHT

The Kippy orchestra will hold its second informal dance this evening at the Woman's club, Oak street and Maple avenue.

FOUR CORNER DANCE

The Four Corner club will give a dance at Community House this evening at 8 o'clock.

CHRIST CHURCH TO HONOR CANON MOORE

Unveil and Dedicate Memorial Tablet in Honor of Former Rector at Services Sunday Morning

Friends of the late Henry G. Moore, an early leader in Christ church and Winnetka community life have secured and will unveil and dedicate on Sunday morning a Memorial tablet at the 11 o'clock services at the church.

Rev. Gerald G. Moore, rector of St. Andrew's church, Chicago, son of Canon Moore, will attend the ceremonies and preach the sermon. A special service has been arranged, and every effort is being made to render this service both appropriate and effective.

The many Winnetka friends of the Rev. Henry G. Moore, late rector of Christ church, will welcome the opportunity offered them tomorrow morning. Canon Moore served the community with great faithfulness through a period of fifteen years. They were the days of beginnings in our community life; and to Canon Moore and Mr. Snell, probably more than to any other two men, fell the burden of responsibility for making these foundations secure, as they had to be. The present generation is their debtor to an extent which one can afford neither to forget nor to deny.

To this service, as to every service in Christ church, the people of the community generally are cordially invited.

BRANDS AS "FALSE" YARN ABOUT BOOM IN BUILDING

Superintendent of Public Works Gibbon Corrects Story Appearing in Chicago Daily

Building permits issued by the Village Department of Public Works during the month of November estimated prospective building operations in Winnetka listed that month as in excess of \$100,000. Permits issued recently by the department follow:

E. A. Howard, \$22,000 residence at 1015 Pine street.

W. G. Huddle, private garage at 794 Rosewood avenue.

J. H. Schaad, private garage at 795 Linden avenue.

A. B. Starrett, private garage at 1163 North avenue.

L. Peterson, alterations on home, approximately \$2,000, at 687 Linden avenue.

E. E. Stults, private garage at 463 Willow street.

F. F. Ferry, private garage at 391 Sheridan road, estimated cost \$15,000.

J. H. Davies, \$40,000 residence at Scott and Randolph avenues, Hubbard Woods.

Reports in a recent issue of the Chicago Herald and Examiner announcing that forty new homes were under construction in the village, were branded as false by Superintendent Gibbon. The statement that from three to ten building permits were being issued each day was characterized by Mr. Gibbon as "deliberate exaggeration to make a story in disregard of facts."

CELEBRATE 10TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY; 100 GUESTS

One hundred relatives and friends of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Dethloff were guests Wednesday night at the celebration of the tenth wedding anniversary of the couple in the Assembly room at Community House. Otto Bayer of Los Angeles, brother of Paul Bayer of Winnetka, rendered several vocal selections. There was dancing and cards.

The Dethloffs reside at 1004 Ash street. Mr. Dethloff is proprietor of an Elm street Men's furnishing business.

"ACCIDENTAL DEATH"

"Accidental death by drowning" was the verdict of a coroner's jury this week in the inquiry into the death of Harry H. Ingalls, patient at the North Shore Health Resort, whose body was found Sunday in the lake at the foot of Elder lane. Mr. Ingalls was a resident of Chicago and western manager of the New Brunswick Fire Insurance company of New Jersey.

PIANO RECITAL

Miss Susannah Armstrong of the New Trier Township High school faculty, will give a piano recital in the Music Hall, Northwestern University School of Music, Monday evening, December 6.

WILL YOU HELP?

Dear "Talk" readers: Do you know that at Lake Bluff, Ill., there are 125 children who are looking forward to a merry Christmas just as are your children, but who are not so fortunate as to have hearths upon which to hang their Christmas stockings, nor glistening Christmas trees all their own? They are orphans housed in the Lake Bluff Orphanage and they are looking forward to a great time on Christmas Day.

How would you like to help in a small way to bring the spirit of Christmas close home to these children? Would you be willing to contribute a very small part of your Christmas money to make a little orphan just a bit happier on Christmas Day?

Call Mr. Weber at the Winnetka Weekly Talk, Wilmette 1920, and tell him you are willing to make an orphan happy on Christmas Day. Please offer a suggestion!

The Editor.

Woman's Club

A regular meeting of the Winnetka Woman's club was held on Thursday, December 2, at 2:30 o'clock. The president was in the chair. Mrs. de Windt, the recording secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting, and they were approved. Mrs. Porter announced that at the last Board meeting, on November 11, the suggestion had been made to make Mrs. Carrie S. Goodchild an honorary member of the club. A motion to this effect was immediately passed. Mrs. Wallace Chickering then spoke on the Sheppard-Towner bill. This federal bill provides for instruction in the hygiene of maternity and infancy and the household arts essential to the well being of mother and child; it provides for consultation centers and medical and nursing care for mothers and infants, at home or at a hospital. A motion was carried to the effect that the club write to our representatives in congress urging their support of the Sheppard-Towner bill. Mrs. Porter announced that the Christmas seals, issued annually by the Red Cross, would be on sale at the close of the meeting. They will also be sold at the next club meeting. Mrs. Porter also spoke of the fund which is being raised to purchase the home of Keats in London. The house where the poet spent the last years of his life is about to be sold, and it is hoped that sufficient subscriptions may be taken up among the lovers of his poetry to insure the purchase of the property. Mrs. William B. Hale is in charge of the Chicago contributions.

The program announced for this meeting was "The Relief of Europe", Mr. Willoughby Walling, vice chairman of the National Red Cross, speaker. Owing to Mr. Walling's unavoidable absence from town it was necessary to re-arrange the program, and Mrs. Edward E. Brown, the essayist for the next meeting kindly consented to read some of her stories. Mr. Walling will speak at the next regular meeting on December 16. Mrs. Brown, who writes under the name of Edith Wyatt Brown, read four original stories, "Her Spring Hat", "Journeys End in Lovers' Meetings", "The Mountain and the Squirrel", and "It Takes Nine Tailors to Make a Man". In addition to a most charming and original literary style Mrs. Brown has the gift of a delightful and distinct delivery, and she gave the club a most enjoyable and entertaining afternoon. After the meeting tea was served by the following hostesses: Mrs. Howard Ballenger, Mrs. William S. Carlisle, Mrs. Isaac B. Connor, and Mrs. John C. West.

NOTICE, LEGION MEN!

Members of the Winnetka Post of the American Legion have been asked to bear in mind that the Post meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays in each month. Several members of the post, it was said, were under the impression that the meetings fell on alternate Tuesdays.

ENTERTAINS AT TEA

Mrs. W. Smith, 945 Sheridan road, entertained a number of friends at a tea Tuesday afternoon in honor of Miss Nellie Graham who on Wednesday evening became the bride of Mr. Fred Stroud.

THEY MIXED SOBER THEMES WITH COMEDY

Greeley School Parent-Teacher association Holds Record Session with Variety Program

A record breaking meeting of the Greeley Parent-Teacher association was held Tuesday evening in the Greeley school. There was first a community sing led by Mrs. Philemon Kohlsaat. Then Mr. Washburne spoke on "Taking the Parents into our Confidence". He showed that an effort was being made to let the parents know much more fully than ever before exactly what the schools were doing and what they were teaching the children.

Explains "Goal Card"

"One aspect of this effort," he said, "is the sending home of an outline of the pupil's course of study in each subject every month with the progress of the pupil indicated on this outline. We call these outlines goal cards because they indicate the specific goals towards which the pupil is working during the year in each subject."

Present Real Comedy

Following Mr. Washburne's talk there were vocal selections by Mrs. Thrall and Mrs. Asa Cooley. Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. Butz and Mrs. E. V. L. Brown gave a realistic sketch entitled the "Pettison Twins". The way they smashed china, splashed each other with ink, and smeared themselves with jelly was quite as vivid as the most approved motion picture comedy. They kept the audience in a roar of laughter from the beginning to the end.

The meeting closed with the serving of refreshments to all present.

NEWLY-WEDS' HOME LOOTED; BURGLARS TAKE TROUSSEAU

Enter Fred Richardson, Jr., Home in Glencoe, Making Haul Estimated at \$3,000

Burglars early Wednesday evening entered the Fred Richardson, Jr., home at 267 Scott avenue, Glencoe, turned every thing upside down and made away with loot representing a loss of from \$2,000 to \$3,000. The loot consisted of silverware, jewelry, clothing, including an entire wedding trousseau, and small household articles. The Richardsons were away during the raid in their home.

The Richardsons had only recently returned from a wedding trip in the west and had been settled in their home about a week. They were married on November 10. Mrs. Richardson was Miss Margaret Myra Keehn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Keehn of 622 Maple avenue. Mr. Richardson is well known in Winnetka as the new proprietor of the Stenman garage. He has been engaged in the taxicab business with his father and formerly conducted a riding stable in the village.

Glencoe police were said to be working on the burglary. Local police responded to a call from the home late Wednesday night. They are not responsible in the matter since the Richardson home is outside the jurisdiction of Winnetka authorities.

PREDICT BOOM IN REAL ESTATE AFTER JAN. 1

Prediction that real estate will experience a signal boom at the beginning of the new year was made this week by practically every real estate operator on the north shore.

With prospects of improved conditions in building and a gradual but certain decline in prices of materials the realtors express confidence in a reopening of the field for a record season.

COMPLETE PAVING

The Village Department of Public Works announces completion of paving on Chatfield road west from Center street to Gordon Terrace. The improvement opens a good driveway into the northwest section of the village.

NEW PLANKING

Workmen this week placed new planking on the Elm street crossing of the Chicago and Northwestern railway.

RIDGE CIRCLE MEETING

The Ridge avenue Circle meets on Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Albert L. Bailey, 276 Forest avenue, Monday, December 6.

NON-CHURCH MEMBERS AID CHURCH "DRIVE"

Winnetka Men Not Identified with Congregational Church Assist in Budget Campaign in the Village

REAL COMMUNITY SERVICE

Committee Names Foreign Pastor Subject to Approval of Church; Drive Ends Sunday

Sometimes the testing of community interest in a particular object is more far-reaching than the immediate object in view. This was proven remarkably so in connection with the campaign for increased funds for the Winnetka Congregational church which culminates in a parish canvass tomorrow afternoon. The entire community is watching the campaign with intense interest with the hope that such a vital institution as the church has proven to be may be successful in its efforts. Success will be taken as an encouraging sign of Winnetka's power to rally to the support of worthy objects depending upon voluntary subscription.

Community Church

As an indication of the community aspect taken on by this "drive," came the news this week of the enlistment for campaign work of quite a number of those who are not active members of the church. These men recognize that if the church is to go on as a power for good in the community, the new budget must be raised. It is clear that in many ways the "friendly citizen" is just as much benefitted by an active, growing community church as the orthodox church member. The Winnetka Congregational church has spread its service beyond the confines of its own membership. It is seeking to do the work of the Kingdom in the broadest sense. Apparently the community recognizes this.

Despite the fact that a 60 per cent increase is asked for this year, the new budget has met with hearty approval. It is recognized that no institution can stand still; it must go either forward or backward. It cannot operate effectively with restricted equipment or burdened with indebtedness.

Modern Advertising

Teams of workers will go out as usual on Sunday afternoon, soliciting pledges for the new year. The way has been paved by what is said to be the most extensive four weeks' publicity campaign Winnetka ever put on for a church project. Modern methods of advertising have been used in the belief that the church deserves the best of business strategy in its presentation.

Other churches along the north shore are said to be watching the results of the campaign with intense interest. Churches everywhere are feeling the pinch of increased costs. Many face a situation similar to that in Winnetka. They are waiting as is often the case "to see what Winnetka does."

Name Foreign Pastor

As forecasted in last week's Weekly Talk, the committee appointed to secure a foreign pastor has reported favorable on the selection of Rev. Paul Reynolds, a graduate of the Chicago Theological seminary and a United States Army chaplain during the war, who was engaged in those duties among the spruce workers in various sections of the country, and more recently has been doing religious work among young people in Chicago. Mr. Reynolds expects to open a new field in China and will be assisted in his work by a small band of mission workers.

Mr. Reynolds plans to go to China and if his selection is approved by the church as a whole at its annual meeting, he will go out next summer as the representative of the Winnetka church.

Literature issued by the campaign committee calls attention to the fact that the church will be greatly strengthened by having its own individual contact with the great world work.

Broadens Responsibility

In increasing the facilities for service in Winnetka at the same time it is broadening its benevolent responsibility. Adding that part of the budget designated as the probable share of the church in Community House, it is figured that 42 per cent of the whole budget is for work wholly outside of the strictly church activities.