

WINNETKA WEEKLY TALK

Nearly Everybody In Winnetka Reads The Talk

VOL. IX, NO. 41.

WINNETKA, ILLINOIS, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1920

EIGHT PAGES PRICE FIVE CENTS

RECORD ATTENDANCE AT MEN'S GATHERING

One of the Largest Audiences on Record Hears Interesting Discussion and Demonstration of Character Reading

AID EUROPEAN RELIEF

Response to Rev. J. A. Richard's Appeal Loosens Purse Strings in Lightning Fashion

"Characterology" was the dominating subject at the regular December meeting of the Winnetka Men's club, Tuesday evening, at Community house. The discussion was led by L. Hamilton McCormick, character reader and author, who has devoted forty years in the development of a method of scientific character analysis.

Following a talk on character reading, Mr. McCormick gave some practical demonstrations by selecting "subjects" from the audience. The discussion attracted one of the largest gatherings of men in the history of the village.

Anyone Can Do It

"The reading of character can be as accurately and as scientifically conducted as a chemical analysis," Mr. McCormick told his audience. His book, "Characterology," he said, "sets forth plainly and simply the rules by which every person of average education can learn to read character at a glance."

"If you are ambitious or studious," he concluded, "if you want to know more about men and what they are, if you wish to surpass your fellow-men, you will find 'Characterology' an interesting study and an invaluable instrument with which to carve out success."

Following the address of the evening the Rev. James Austin Richards, pastor of the Winnetka Congregational church, spoke briefly in behalf of the Herbert Hoover European Relief Fund for the stricken people of central Europe. His words of explanation concluded with an appeal for contribution from the audience.

Season of Giving

The urgent appeal caught a lightning response from the men. "I'll give 100 dollars right now if ten men will give \$10 apiece," shouted one villager. Within ten minutes the Herbert Hoover Fund was richer by \$386. All week the money has been coming in through the mails to the Richards home.

The evening's program was preceded by the regular monthly dinner and fellowship gathering. Charles L. Byron, president of the Men's club, presided over the activities.

SCHOOL KIDDIES ENJOY MANY CHRISTMAS FETES

Instead of general Christmas exercises the Winnetka public schools celebrated with many small parties in the individual rooms. Christmas trees, wreaths, and all sorts of Christmas ornaments decorated all the school rooms. Parents joined with the children and teachers in the singing of songs and playing of games. Miss Chester's work in dramatics bore fruit in the many little plays given by the children during their Christmas parties.

The schools dismissed for the holidays Wednesday afternoon. They will open Monday, January 3.

CONGREGATIONALISTS IN CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE

Today at 10 o'clock the usual Christmas morning service will be held in the Congregational church with Christmas hymns and anthems, Christmas prayers and a short Christmas talk. A feature of the service will be the announcement of what the church has raised during the past week for the saving of the lives of the suffering children of Europe.

XMAS TREE WARNING

Residents of Winnetka who still decorate their Christmas tree with lighted candles are warned by the local fire authorities to exercise great care in keeping the candles from inflammable decorations and other material.

TELEPHONE POLE BURNS

A telephone pole at Mt. Pleasant road and Ridge avenue was slightly damaged Tuesday evening by a fire caused by defective ground wires and the severe storm.

REMEMBER THIS: \$10 WILL SAVE A LIFE!

Winnetka Congregational Church Members Donate More Than \$1,000 to European Fund.

One of the largest congregations ever seen in the Congregational church last Sunday morning made glad response to the appeal to help save the starving children of Europe. The church had officially set aside its Christmas Sunday offering for the European Relief council, under the chairmanship of Herbert Hoover. In the work of this council ninety-seven and one-half cents out of every dollar actually goes to the children for food and medicine, and every ten dollars contributed saves a life of a starving child until next harvest.

Get "Guest" Cards

The church prepared a beautiful window card with lines reading, "This Home Is Entertaining an Invisible Guest for Christmas," and each home providing ten dollars for this cause was asked to display one of these cards, not as a matter of pride, but to announce the happiness it is finding at Christmas time and to offer others the same joy.

During the week further gifts have come in to the church office and cards have been obtainable there by all entitled to them.

Donations Exceed \$1,000

Well over \$1,000 came in on the church plates last Sunday and the week's work shows a splendid gain over that. Further opportunity to contribute will be given at the Christmas Day service tomorrow at 10 and a feature of that worship will be an announcement of the total amount the church has raised, and the last opportunity to obtain these cards will be given.

Remember \$10 saves a life.

NO LIGHTS ON BICYCLE; RIDER NOW IN HOSPITAL

Failure To Take Precautions Results in Accident to Anthony Hogle; Struck by Auto

Failure to have the precautionary lights on his bicycle while riding in the streets after nightfall resulted in injury to Anthony Hogle of Provident avenue Wednesday when he was struck and seriously injured by an automobile driven by Welmarth Ickes of Hubbard Woods, at the intersection of Pine street, Prospect and Lincoln avenues.

Ickes immediately took the injured man to the Evanston hospital where, though definite report of his condition could not be obtained, it was said the injuries would probably not prove fatal.

Chief of police Peterson has repeatedly issued warnings regarding the riding of bicycles after dark without the precaution of lights. Persons who fail to heed these warnings are liable to arrest without notice and to a fine. This is a safety measure and should be observed by every cyclist for his own protection.

HARVARD GLEE CLUB IN CONCERT AT NEW TRIER

Noted Singing Organization Offers Entertainment to North Shore Residents Monday.

Monday afternoon, December 27, at 2:30 o'clock, in the New Trier High school auditorium, the Harvard Glee club is to render an afternoon entertainment to the residents of the township.

This glee club has traveled the country and has many favorable commendations.

It is sincerely urged that everyone take advantage of this opportunity.

Tickets for students and children are on sale with Mrs. Cotton, at the High school. Tickets for residents of the north shore were placed on sale today.

SMALL ROOF FIRE

The fire truck was called out Sunday morning to extinguish a blaze in the roof of the William Edwards residence at 428 Linden street, caused by sparks from the chimney. A damage of approximately \$25 resulted from the fire.

GARAGE DAMAGED BY FIRE

A garage at the home of village president John S. Miller, Jr., 827 Prospect avenue, was partially destroyed by fire Tuesday afternoon. The blaze was caused by a short circuit in the electric wiring. The loss sustained amounted to approximately \$200.

Timely Warning

A warning against holiday fires in the home was issued today by State Fire Marshal John G. Gamber.

"Every year many children are burned to death by fire from Christmas candles," reads the warning. "Do not decorate the Christmas tree with paper, cotton or any other inflammable material. Use metallic tinsel and non-inflammable decorations only. Set the tree securely so that it will not tip over."

"Do not use cotton to represent snow. Use powdered mica or asbestos fiber."

"Do not permit children to light or relight the candles. They are apt to set fire to their clothing or to the tree. Keep matches out of reach of children."

"Do not allow tree inside of building during holidays, as the needles, when dry, ignite readily."

"Electrical illumination is the safest when the equipment is standard and properly installed."

Harve G. Badgerow Heads Insurance Body

Winnetka Leader Is Elected President of Insurance Federation of America, Inc.

Winnetka men are leaders in practically every important field of activity. Harve G. Badgerow, 576 Arbor Vitae road, leading Chicago Insurance man, is the latest resident to receive national recognition for exceptional service in his chosen field having been recently elected president of the Insurance Federation of America Inc., at a meeting in the Hotel Astor, New York City.

A news report of the meeting says of Mr. Badgerow: "Following the election he took the chair and made a graceful speech of acceptance. Almost from the beginning of the federation movement Mr. Badgerow has been in the thick of it. An officer in a large insurance agency in Chicago, he has devoted time freely to the work of the Illinois federation, of which he is president, and also to the national work."

Mr. Badgerow is well known in Winnetka and has for years been active in civic affairs.

Editor of Bulletin Talks on Yuletide

Luke Grant Says Greetings Are Merely Good Forms and Often Are Meaningless.

That "Merry Christmas" and "Happy New Year" are good forms of greeting but in many cases do not mean anything is the complaint of Luke Grant, editor of the North Shore Bulletin in the December issue of that monthly.

"At this season it is too often just another way of saying 'Howdy' or 'go to the devil' as the case may be," he writes. "Isn't much of the real Christmas spirit in it. Well, we mean it in the real old fashioned way. We haven't a grudge against anyone in the world. That is, not a confirmed grouch. We know there are some Ebenezer Scrooges in the world who would be benefited by a visit from Marley's ghost. But there is a lot of human kindness, too."

There Is a Difference

"There's a lot of difference in the way we look at the world. Scrooge saw one kind of a world and his clerk, little Bob Cratchit, saw an entirely different one. But it was just the same old world. The difference was in the mental attitude of the two men. It's just the same today as when Dickens immortalized Scrooge and Bob Cratchit and Tiny Tim in his 'Christmas carol.' And by the way, if you haven't read that since last Christmas, read it again. Carlyle said that Dickens was a good little fellow but his outlook on life was all wrong."

"Maybe it was but we personally have got infinitely more pleasure over reading him than we ever got from reading Carlyle. And we aren't too old yet to get a lot of pleasure and profit out of the 'Christmas carol.'"

FIREMEN'S BALL

The annual masquerade dance given by the Winnetka fire department will be held at the Community house Saturday evening, January 15.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES ATTRACT VILLAGERS

Special Musical Program at Christ Church Today Feature Christmas Day Festivities

Services appropriate to the season will be held in Christ church, Sheridan road and Humboldt avenue, on Christmas Eve at 4 o'clock and on Christmas Day at 7 and 11 o'clock in the morning. The Friday afternoon service will be the children's carol festival. It is intended, not only for the children of the parish, but for all the children of the community. It will consist of the singing of many of the familiar carols, the lighting of the tree, and an address by Rev. E. Ashley Gerhard, the rector of the parish. At this service a special offering will be made for the relief of the children in the central European countries.

Celebrate Communion

At both services on Christmas morning there will be a celebration of the holy communion, the singing of carols and an address. Special parish choirs, under the direction of Mr. John Rankl, choirmaster.

The following musical program will be rendered at the 7 o'clock service.

The program for the later service will be as follows:

The singing of Carols, Holy Communion and Address at 7 A. M.

The Processional

Hymn 49 Adeste Fideles

Carols

Hymn 58 Phillips Brooks

Silent Night Michael Haydn

Kyrie Haines

Gloria Tibi Paxton

Hymn 57 Roper

Address

Offertory Anthem Martin

Sanctus Moir

Agnus Dei Moir

Gloria in Excelsis Old Chant

Post-Communion Nunc Dimittis Beethoven

The Recessional

Hymn 59 Willis

Holy Communion and Address at 11 o'clock.

The Processional

Hymn 49 Adeste Fideles

Shorter Kyrie Winter

Gloria Tibi Paxton

Hymn 60 Smart

Address

Offertory Anthem Bartlett

Sanctus in G Haines

Communion Hymn 319 Matthews

Gloria in Excelsis Old Chant

Nunc Dimittis Gregorian

The Recessional

Hymn 59 Willis

PROMISE HEADLINER FILMS FOR NEW YEAR

Local Managers Announce "The Last of the Mohicans" for Jan. 14; Locklear's Last on Jan. 21

Eugene O'Brien, in "The Figurehead," will open the Winnetka Community house motion pictures for 1921. The picture will be shown Friday evening, January 7. Charlie Chaplin, in "Easy Street," will be the accompanying amusing vehicle.

January 14 will witness a wonderful cinema success. James Fenimore Cooper, "The Last of the Mohicans," will be presented at Community House for the approval of Winnetka screen followers.

Omer Locklear will be shown the following Friday in "The Skywayman," while January 28's picture has not been announced. It was in this picture that Locklear was killed while appearing in a scene. In addition to the above splendid program the management intends to show a serial, probably "Fantomas," which has not been released in the big cities to date. The local theater will be one of the first to book the sensational thriller if the deal is closed.

ISSUE BUILDING PERMITS

Building permits were issued this week by the department of Public Works to M. J. Sullivan for a garage at 882 Pine street and to the Winnetka Coal-Lumber company for a private stable at 823 Spruce street.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Adams' Pharmacy and the Winnetka Pharmacy announce that the stores will be closed from 1:30 to 4 o'clock in the afternoon and after 6:30 o'clock in the evening on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

YOU, TOO, CAN HELP THE WOUNDED MEN

American Legion Men of Montana Led the Way in Providing Livelihood for Disabled War Veterans

PLAN CABARET BALL HERE

Winnetka Post Preparing Elaborate Entertainment; Proceeds to Aid Disabled Men

Millions of veterans of the World War shouted approval when eight men last week left their homes in Montana to go to the nation's capital to tell Congress what they thought of the bureau of war risk insurance, the federal agency in charge of the relief of wounded soldiers, and, in true western fashion, to "make Congress either listen or suffer them to be kicked down the front steps every day until the session ends."

Expose Delinquency

Delinquency in the matter of paying insurance due totally disabled men prompted the filing of numerous suits by the Montana legion against the government demanding payment of insurance in instances of totally disabled men. Other suits, it is promised, will follow in short order.

The Montanians will ask Congress to amend the war risk act "because of the complete breakdown of the war risk bureau." As a substitute plan the creation of a special tribunal in each state will be asked. On this tribunal will be one representative of ex-service men and women, a representative of the government and a representative of the people of the state to be named by the governor. The board will have the power to review cases and adjust compensation.

Winnetka To Help

All this brings us back to Winnetka and the Winnetka Post of the American Legion, which has set itself to do something definite in the way of bringing prompt relief to these disabled fighters of humanity's battles.

As announced in last week's issue of the Weekly Talk, the Winnetka American Legion has provided Winnetkans an unusual opportunity to assist in this deserving work through the medium of a proposed Cabaret Ball and entertainment, to be held in the Winnetka Woman's club on the evening of Friday, January 28, under the auspices of the local legion post.

Your Opportunity

It will be an occasion of merry-making and a time when every Winnetkan, by appearance at and participation in the events of the evening, will be assisting materially in a very urgent need in giving direct aid to these disabled men who went to fight our battles and came back wrecked in body, and now in spirit, as a result of the terrible struggles, and later the very apparent inefficiency and mismanagement of the bureau of war risk insurance.

You will want to reserve January 28 for the Cabaret Ball. There will be dancing throughout the evening, coaxed by the very best music obtainable, entertainment in plenteous variety, vaudeville supreme and other attractions too numerous to mention at this writing. Also there will be delicious refreshments, special boxes for parties, reserved tables for those who desire that accommodation and sufficient for everyone.

The entire Woman's club building will be utilized for this occasion. There is to be cards and other games in the lower rooms and the evening's merry-making will terminate with the awarding of a grand prize, the character of which is to be maintained a profound secret. It will be a great surprise.

Surely you will be there and bring along your friends?

LUTHERAN XMAS SERVICE

Our Saviour's English Lutheran church will hold its Christmas services at Christ church parish house, Sunday afternoon, at 5 o'clock. There will be special music and an address by the Rev. A. Forness, pastor. Sunday school will precede the Christmas services at 3 o'clock. The public is invited.

WILL PLAY ALUMNI.

New Trier High school light and heavyweight basketball teams will compete with the alumni next Monday afternoon, at 4:30 o'clock, in the annual holiday event. Two fast games are expected, as the high school quintets are classed as the strongest in the vicinity.