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Village Caucus Sets Forth Platform Which it Asks Prospective Village Candidates To Endorse

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Will Report At Adjourned Meeting Of Caucus to be Held Wednesday Evening, March 16

The annual Village Caucus, held on Wednesday evening in Community House to discuss candidates and principles to be voted on at the April elections, went on record as favoring the placing of all telephone and village wiring in underground conduits, and the removal of the present poles from the streets.

The discussion leading to this action was opened by Robert H. Wallace, who urged that candidates be asked to subscribe to a pledge to do their utmost to have the wires depressed, in view of the early expiration of the present franchise period. Under the present franchise, all poles are erected at the cost of the telephone company, and when thus erected become village property and carry the village lighting wires. It was Mr. Wallace's argument that a similar arrangement should be made regarding underground conduits.

Village President Speaks

Roswell B. Mason presided, and introduced President John S. Miller Jr., who gave a brief summary describing the progress being made in the main activities of the village.

On motion of W. S. Elliot, the following nominating committee was appointed, with instructions to present a report at an adjourned meeting of the caucus, to be held on Wednesday evening, March 16.

Chairman, William D. McKenzie, Mrs. Allan I. Wolff, Mrs. Morris L. Greeley, George Pearce, William J. Carey, S. C. Hancock, and William B. Moulton.

The committee will be called on to select candidates for Village President, for two years, succeeding John S. Miller, Jr., three trustees for two years: Village Treasurer, Clerk, Marshall and Collector; also two library trustees to serve three years, and a police magistrate.

The platform of the caucus was read and it was voted that candidates be required to subscribe to it, including the fifth clause, added when Mr. Elliot's substitute for Mr. Wallace's motion was adopted. The platform is as follows:

The Platform

1. We stand for municipal ownership and operation of the Village utilities, and pledge ourselves to retain, maintain and develop the Village water and light properties.
2. We pledge ourselves to grant no franchises without first submitting the matter to a referendum vote of the people.
3. We stand for efficient and economical business methods in the administration of all departments of the Village.
4. The frequent killing of our citizens on the tracks of our railroads has proven that our population has reached the point where high speed trains cannot be operated within the limits of the Village under present conditions without wanton and heart-breaking sacrifice of life. We believe the only satisfactory solution, from the standpoint of safety, is track depression and that such depression is practicable. This is one of the most important and pressing problems before the Village and we pledge ourselves to use our best efforts towards its early and satisfactory solution, and to take no action inconsistent therewith.
5. We favor placing all telephone and Village wires underground, and the removal of the present poles, if and when practicable.

CHICAGO DIVINES ATTEND OUR SAVIOUR'S SERVICES

Rev. Lewis Moe of the First Lutheran church of Chicago, and the Rev. J. H. Meyer of Christ Church, Chicago, will assist in the services of Our Saviour's Lutheran church held at Christ Church Parish house at Linden avenue and Oak street. The services are at 4 o'clock. Sunday school convenes at 3 o'clock.

Services at the church alternate between the English and Norwegian languages. Rev. A. Forness is the pastor.

Buccaneers Ready Soon to Launch 'Floating Home'

In the early summer months a replica of an old pirate caravel will drop her anchor in the Wilmette Yacht basin and the Floating Home of the Buccaneers' club with the roar of cannon will break out her colors and go into commission.

This unique organization was formed last spring for the purpose of promoting the sport of sailing, canoeing, etc., on the north shore which has languished for the lack of proper facilities. A fleet of small one design sailing craft is being built and they will go into commission with the mother ship, fulfilling the wish of so many who have long hoped that a start would be made in encouraging the sport of sailing in this vicinity, for which the new club opens a great field.

A seaworthy Lake Michigan schooner was purchased and a superstructure has been carefully planned and built on her hull, resulting in the "Port of Missing Men," which the boat has been christened.

The interior decorations and furnishings of the boat will be in keeping with the type it represents, but the culinary equipment will be of the latest design. The Buccaneers after a well contested race will return to their ship and sit down to an excellently served meal.

Of the Board of Governors, three are Winnetka and four Evanston men. The President is Julian Armstrong of Evanston.

Foreign Field Pastor To Preach Here Sunday

Rev. Paul R. Reynolds, Foreign Pastor of Winnetka Congregational Church, in Pulpit

Tomorrow morning the Rev. Paul R. Reynolds will be the preacher in the Winnetka Congregational church. For a long time this church has been searching for some one to act as its special representative in the foreign missionary field. Its long search was at last rewarded by the discovery of the Rev. Paul R. Reynolds of Chicago who is to sail either to China or India. The church has elected Mr. Reynolds its missionary and will furnish his entire support. Mr. Reynolds is just as much a minister of the Winnetka church as any one who remains in America.

All who heard Mr. Reynolds speak at the Annual dinner of the church in January will have a special reason for wanting to hear him again tomorrow morning, but for many others this will be the first opportunity to hear him.

Mr. Reynolds will also speak at the worship of the Church school at 9:30 o'clock.

OPEN FRUIT MARKET

The South Water Street Fruit Market which operates a large store in Evanston, has opened a branch vending place at 561 Lincoln avenue.

Want a Home?

When you want a home there are two essential things to do. One is to use the Want Ad. section of your local newspaper and the other is to consult a reliable real estate broker.

For your convenience many of the local real estate brokers are using the Want Ads. of this paper. You will find them on page 12 of this issue.

Here are the homes which M. E. Barker & Co. are offering this week:

THESE ARE GOOD BUYS

Cosy and attractive bungalow in splendid East location, nr. new. Newly decorated. H. W. heat. 2 glassed porches. Fine lot. Reduced to \$13,500.

Ideal 7 r. stucco in finest location near Lake. Very complete and attractive. Reduced to \$13,500.

Splendid stucco home in choicest section, convenient to "L" and "M" rail; sunny rms., porches, fine wooded lot; garage. Reduced to \$14,500.

Nr. new stucco 1 block to lake. Ideally planned. H. W. heat; 2 tile baths; shower; garage attached. Splendid buy at \$20,000.

Owner gone East must sell. Fine 8 r. stucco, in finest location. In beautiful condition. Glass sun and sleep porches; double garage; beautiful wooded lot. \$22,000.

New brick 10 r. house in best location. Finest finish, ivory and mahogany. 4 master bedrooms; 2 tile baths. malds r. and bath; brick garage. Big wooded lot. Owner gone East, must sell. \$32,000.

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NOTICE! MEN'S CLUB TO HEAR BIG DEBATE

Legislative Apportionment for Illinois Counties to be Discussed at Club Meeting To Be Held Tuesday, March 22

EXPECT INTERESTING TIME

Question Is One Which Evoked Altercation Sessions of Constitutional Convention

Morton T. Hull and E. J. Davis are to debate the question of legislative apportionment at the meeting of the Men's club on Tuesday evening, March 22.

No other question before the Illinois Constitutional Convention has aroused so much feeling and accordingly this debate promises to be a lively and interesting one. Some of the points which will be discussed are the following:

Is limitation of Cook county's representation in the legislature a violation of American principles?

The Community Question

Should communities be recognized as a unit, or should population be the basis of apportionment regardless of communities?

Would the adoption of the Constitutional Convention's majority report limiting Cook county be a disfranchising of Cook county citizens?

What will happen to Cook county if "down state" controls the legislature?

Would it be wise to permit one county to control the state?

Would limitation of Cook county's representation in one branch of the legislature with no limitation in the other branch form all the safeguard necessary?

What right has the Anti-Saloon league to be concerned about this question?

These and other phases of the question will be discussed.

The convention has adjourned until September. Just before adjourning the majority of the convention voted to limit Cook county's representation to one-third of the Senate to which there was no objection in the convention, but they also voted that the House of Representatives shall be apportioned according to population with a provision that each county shall have at least one representative.

This agreement would give Cook county sixty-two representatives out of a total of 174.

Many of the Cook county delegation are not satisfied with this. They want the state divided into 153 representative districts regardless of county boundaries and that each district contain the same number of people. Under this plan thirty-four counties would be without representatives of their own in the state legislature, but Cook county would have seventy-two, and at the next reapportionment Cook county would control the House of Representatives.

Referred to Electorate

The Convention majority further voted to submit both plans to the people and let them decide.

Mr. Morton D. Hull will affirm that it is a violation of the principle of representative government. Mr. Davis will deny this and will claim that representation in legislative assemblies should be on the basis of communities in conjunction with population, and that most states recognize the community as the basis.

The statement of the question to be discussed is as follows:

The Question

"Resolved: That the plan of legislative apportionment approved by the majority vote of the Constitutional Convention is more preferable than the plan of apportionment on the basis of population regardless of community boundaries."

Preceding the debate there will be the regular mixer at 6:30 o'clock and dinner at 7 o'clock. Dinner reservations should be sent in as early as possible to Charles F. Simpson, 506 Birch street, Winnetka, phone Winnetka 1563.

DANCE AND VAUDEVILLE

North shore residents in quest of a good time are advised of the forthcoming dance and entertainment to be given at Winnetka Community House on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, at 8 o'clock, under auspices of the New Trier Horticultural society. Augmenting the dance will be five high class vaudeville acts. Refreshments will be served.

Ladies and Gents, Big Show, All For Most Worthy Cause

If you have been longing to see something different in Winnetka amateur theatrical circles, here you are!

On April 14 and 15, at the Winnetka Woman's club, will be given a high class minstrel-musical-vaudeville combination which promises to be an affair de luxe in local histrionic spheres.

The show will be divided into three parts. The first is a novel minstrel idea with end men and end ladies, ballad singers, quartets, comedians and dancers. Second, an original colored travesty written by local talent and third, some original vaudeville specialties. Combining these features, there is promise of a program "qualified for a place in the big downtown theaters."

The production will be given in true professional style, with gorgeous costuming, cleverly arranged songs and dances, and comedy routine that will mean an evening of wholesome fun from beginning to end.

Proceeds of the two evenings are to go to the Parent-Teacher association of Winnetka. Mrs. Frederick Dickinson arranged the entire idea and was fortunate in being able to secure the services of Joe Bren, of the Joe Bren Production Company, who is a resident of Winnetka and who, with true Winnetka spirit, will give generously of his long years of professional experience and will personally supervise the rehearsals and production of the show.

This announcement is made early in order that you may save the dates. You will want to see your dignified and enthusiastic superintendent of schools in the capacity of interlocutor; you will want to see a member of the Board of Education in the role of comedian, you will want to hear some of our best musical talent in charming ballads and quartets.

The committee in charge expects to play to two capacity houses. The tickets will be on sale at an early date. Watch for it!

High Class Vaudeville Show on Way to Village

Glencoe Variety Show To Be Staged For Benefit April 2 and 4 by Masonic Low Twelve Club

Winnetka and Glencoe theater-goers who are satisfied to view only the very highest quality productions when faring into the Rialto in Chicago's Loop or New York's Broadway, will greet with enthusiasm the announcement of the forthcoming Glencoe Variety Show to be staged in the villages early in April under auspices of the Masonic Low Twelve club of Glencoe, an organization within the Glencoe Masonic lodge.

Ten big acts of vaudeville are promised with a pleasing variety of specialties by local and first class professional talent. A large trained orchestra will provide the music. Men in charge of preparations maintain the show will compare favorably with any of the better vaudeville programs in Chicago.

The performances will be staged at the Glencoe School auditorium on Saturday evening, April 2, and at Winnetka Woman's club on Monday evening, April 4. Proceeds will be for Masonic benefit.

In connection with the announcement of the show it is stated that the Low Twelve club is open to all Masons in good standing. Applications for membership are to be made with H. E. McNeal, 925 Elm street, Winnetka, or George W. Matthews, 182 Maple Hill road, Glencoe.

WELL, I SWAN, SAID THE CONSTABLE WHEN THEY MET

Wilbur Moore, a Winnetka boy, made record time in and out of the hands of the law last Friday afternoon. Moore, who was charged by the Evanston police with transporting liquor, was turned over the Chicago probation officers by the Evanston police.

The police state that he was found with a satchel of wine in his possession and that it was found that he had offered it for sale. He was taken to Chicago, turned over to the probation authorities and repared.

He immediately returned to Evanston, reaching there before the arrival of the officers who had taken him to the city. He is stated to have been previously arrested in connection with other thefts in Evanston.

PLAYFIELD COMMANDS GOLFERS' ATTENTION

With New Officers Elected Players On Municipal Links Look Forward to Announcement of Plans

SHOW PROGRESS IN REPORT

Dues Remain at One Dollar; Players' Fees Announced; Retiring President in Glowing Review

The early advent of the golfing season turns the attention of hundreds of Winnetkans to the affairs of the Playfield association, Winnetka's municipal golf course in the Skokie.

Last week's issue of the Winnetka Weekly Talk bore announcement of the election of Playfield officers for the ensuing year with Gerald Burnham selected as president; Eugene A. Rummler, vice president; Carl Weiss, secretary and A. T. Weinstock treasurer. Also new directors were named to serve with Wallace D. Rumsey, E. E. Parr, and Barrett Conway, whose terms continue another year. These are Mrs. Paul Starr, E. E. Brown and Charles Kreger.

It was announced following the annual meeting that the annual dues of the association were to remain at one dollar per member.

The question of future maintenance of the Skokie Playfield golf course has been a matter of very serious concern for the Park Board. Quoting President Rogers' annual report of 1920 as expressing the sentiment of the Board on this question, one reads:

"The question of income on golf courses is always important and usually is troublesome. A course must be kept in proper shape to have the game enjoyable. The grass must be cut, the greens rolled and cut, and the fairways patched to repair the devastation of the divot cutter. Up to a certain limit the expenses of upkeep of a public course are properly chargeable to a general fund, payable by the whole community from taxes. This limit ought, roughly, to be the sum which it would cost to maintain the areas as parks for public recreation, but it seems to the Park Board that the cost over what is necessary to put a public recreation ground in shape, to keep it in the condition which is desirable not only for a golf course, but for a good golf course, should primarily be paid by those who use the golf course and should not be made a charge upon the whole community. This situation is appreciated by other Park Boards and the usual custom is to make a charge of a small amount against anyone using the golf course, either in the form of an annual fee, or a charge for each day's play. This seems the equitable way of handling the matter. Up to the present time there has been no charge to residents of the Village except a nominal registration fee at the beginning of the season. It seems to us that if the public course is to be kept in the condition that we would like to have it, not as a merely tolerable golf course—a place only good enough to go and knock balls about—but a really good course to play golf on—as good a course and kept in as good condition as those of private clubs—there must be either an annual subscription or a daily charge paid by those who use it."

Announce Playing Fees

With the increased acreage devoted to golf and the full 18 hole course available to the residents of the village from now on, the Park Board has approved the recommendations made by the Playfield association and the playing fees for the season of 1921 will be as follows:

1. That the playing fee for the season of 1921 for individuals residing within the corporate limits of the Village of Winnetka be as follows:
 - a \$10 for man and wife or one other woman of immediate family.
 - b \$10 for other male adults (over 21 years of age).
 - c \$5 for juniors (18 to 21 inclusive).
 - d \$5 for women.
 - e \$3 for minors (18 years or age and under).
2. That the playing fees for non-resident players for each day's play for the season of 1921 be as follows:
 - a \$2 per person per day for Saturday, Sunday and holiday golf.
 - b \$1 per person each week day.
 - c 50c per day for non-resident