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PLAY TONIGHT AIDS W.A. HADLEY SCHOOL

Winnetka Prepared to Insure Success of School for Blind at Special Entertainment This Evening

WIDESPREAD ENTHUSIASM

"Daddy Long Legs" to Bring Record Audience; Many Special Events Aid School

Prof. William A. Hadley's heroic achievements on behalf of the Blind are to be rewarded this evening, at least in considerable measure, when Winnetka, with the co-operation of the citizens of other nearby communities, will provide for him a Braille printing press and sufficient additional funds to insure the continued success of his splendid Correspondence School for the Blind.

The presentation of "Daddy Long Legs" this evening by the players of the New Trier High school Dramatic club at the school auditorium is to bring a packed house, according to present indications, with some of Winnetka's most prominent families numbered with the audience. Preceding the performances many special social events will combine to swell the endowment fund for this "most courageous university in the United States."

Shows Winnetka Spirit

Ninety students, one living in Alaska, another in Shanghai, China, and others scattered between Boston and San Francisco are enrolled in the school. All these, and, it is hoped, many more, will be afforded educational advantages through Prof. Hadley's school, the success of which depends largely upon what Winnetka is to accomplish this evening.

Mr. Hadley is a Winnetka citizen. He was formerly a village official, is a college graduate and former instructor in the Lake View high school. Stricken with blindness six years ago, he has been laboring unceasingly and under extreme difficulties to bring to others the advantages and opportunities enjoyed by those more fortunate, and Winnetka is prepared to do its utmost to insure the complete success of his heroic venture.

The evening's entertainment, including an excellent musical program rendered by the full New Trier high school Symphony orchestra, will be provided by the following students of the school:

Many Students Participate

In the play: Elizabeth Cullen, Cabray Wortley, Frederick Roe, James Gathercoal, Edward Quayle, Ruth Boots, Margaret De Lay, Jean Markley, Constance von Weller, Bernice Scully, Barbara Poole, Robert English, Ethel Pattilo, Janet Olmsted, Philis Ogan, George Martin, Katherine Shaw, Frances Ellison, Wilbur Bruns, Philip Eisendrath.

Stage Crew and Costumes committee: Bradley Pruden, Sidney Spiegel, Charles Rummeler, Ripley Kiel, Emily Hadley, Mary Harding, Hazel Frazer, Kenneth Thorsen.

First Violin

Catherine Granquist, Olivia Fisher, Katherine Hamilton, Olga Reinhold, Dorothy Niles, Dorothy Camp, Floyd White, Earl Fox, Ralph Ortelg.

Second Violin

Todd Wheeler, Donald MacGlashen, Barbara Poole, Van Tyle Sanderson, Edward Wachs, Kate Hirshberg, Emma Reinhold.

Alto

Estelle Swigert, Lee Fetcher, Robert Sanderson.

Double Bass

Josephine MacRae, Brewster Kimball.

Flute

Sherman Goble.

Clarinet

Everett Fox, Philip Eisendrath, Willis Strong.

Bassoon

Mr. Kahler.

Horn

Norman Loomis, Perry Lieber, Robert Wilson.

Cornet

Mr. Schumacher, William Jordan, Arthur Cook.

Trombone

David Thayer, James Melville.

Saxophone

Richard Goble, Robert Ricksen.

Drums

Tom Brown, Byron Smith.

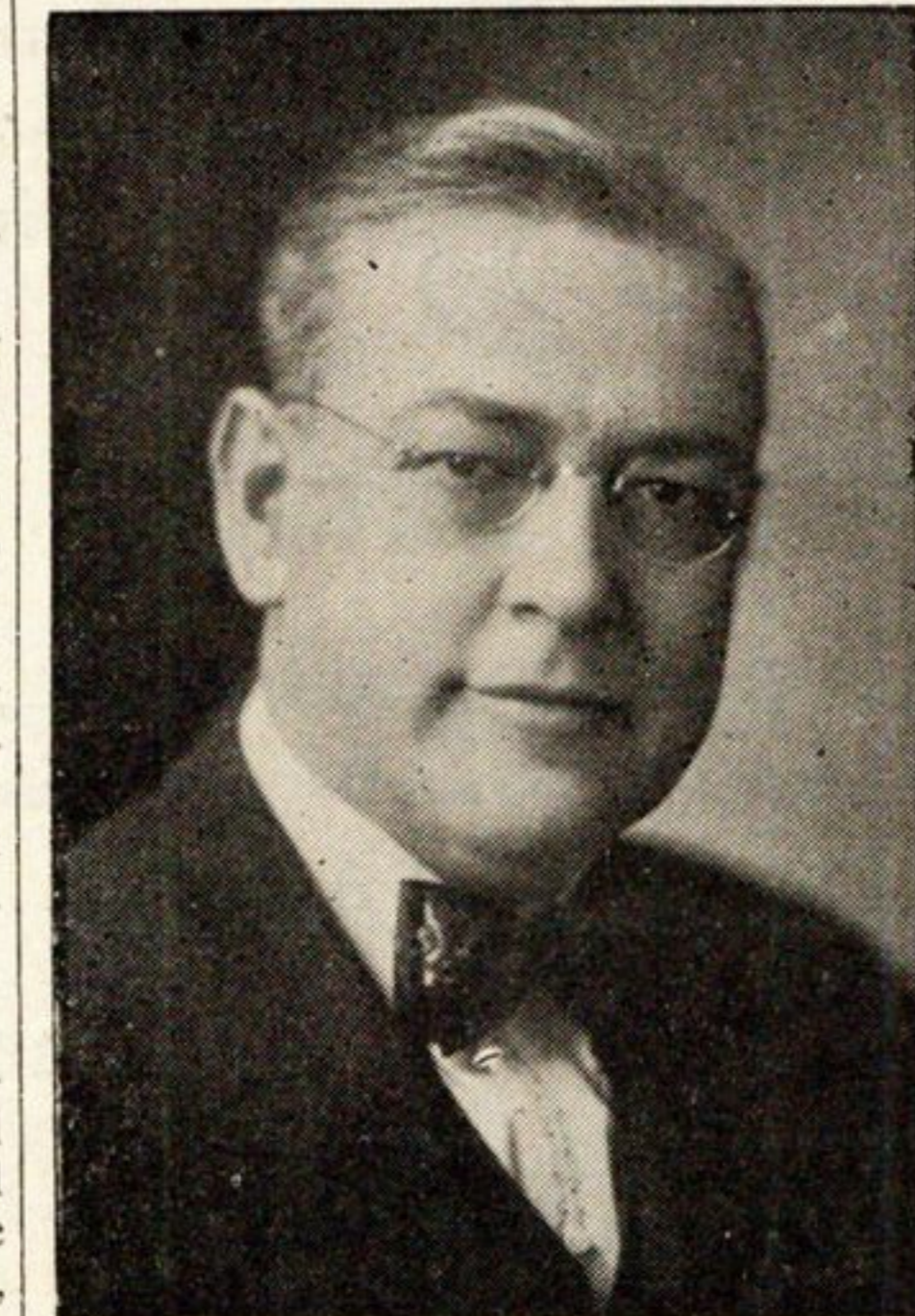
MEN'S CLUB HEARS EXPERT ON LABOR

Dr. Sam Atkinson, Former Business Manager of Allied Amusements Association Speaks Here Thursday

LABOR DISPUTES' ARBITER

"Point of Contact" Is Subject of Lecture; Every Man in Winnetka Invited to Dinner

The monthly dinner of the Winnetka Men's club will be held at Community House Thursday evening, December 15. Community spirit and



Dr. Sam Atkinson

good fellowship are the watchwords of the club, and the officers and committees are working hard to make this the outstanding feature of the meetings.

The speaker of the evening is Dr. Sam Atkinson, who has taken as his subject "The Point of Contact". Mr. Atkinson has had wide experience in handling labor problems and his viewpoint upon the present outlook is particularly interesting. He was formerly the business manager of the Allied Amusements association of Chicago, having charge of the labor agreements of over four hundred theaters, and was engaged by the National Association of the Motion Picture Industry to oppose political censorship. He has arbitrated a great number of labor disputes, and has well defined views gained from practical experience about the future of the labor movement.

Mr. Atkinson is expected to deal with the trend of the labor movement toward radical control. He regards the question of wages a minor matter, and that conditions and jurisdictional demands mean more to the employer in determining prices than other factors.

The large attendance at the preceding meetings has fully justified the club in seeking larger quarters in the gymnasium of Community House. The spirit of comradeship has grown with the attendance. Every man in Winnetka who is interested in the enviable Winnetka Community spirit is invited to come and bring his neighbor.

"THE PROPHET, DANTE"

"The Prophet, Dante" will be the subject for the sermon by the Rev. James Austin Richards, at the Winnetka Congregational church, Sunday morning, December 11. The sermon will be commemorative of the 600th anniversary of the death of Dante. A feature of the morning services will be the reports of the "Every Member Canvass" of the parish, conducted Sunday, December 4.

Why Not Sell It?

Whatever it is, isn't it just using up space that could be used to good advantage, and tying up money that could be used for Christmas gifts?

The logical place to sell anything that you don't want, is through the want ad columns of your local paper.

Someone in your locality is, in all possibility, waiting for a chance to buy the thing that you consider a white elephant.

ADVERTISE IT NOW

"Blink" Idea Finds Ardent Fan In South

The Editor—

Dear Sir:—

"The Winnetka Talk comes to me with considerable regularity and is as always, satisfying, interesting and, at times, amusing.

"In the Spring, upon my return to Winnetka, I shall miss the different whistles which tell the residents of this smelter town the correct time. At 6 A. M. one toot; at 8 A. M. three toots; at noon, one long toot; at 5 P. M., one toot; at 6 P. M., three toots, and at 9 P. M. the curfew, which is a siren, like a fire whistle. Then at 11 P. M., one long blast, which, if you are asleep, is enough to waken you, and, if you are awake, gently reminds you that one hour's rest before midnight is worth two after midnight.

"By all means, let us 'blink' our electric lights at 9 P. M., set our watches and alarm clocks and remind ourselves that 'early to bed and early to rise,' etc.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth W. (Mrs. Arthur) Duncan."
1421 9th street,
Douglas, Arizona.

We add:

Mrs. Duncan's letter is based upon recent articles in the Winnetka Talk announcing plans at the Village Power plant to give Winnetka householders the correct time each day by the quite simple expedient of "blinking" the electric lights at 9 o'clock in the evening. The idea, which had been considered by Village officials for some time, was given impetus recently through a letter appearing in the Winnetka Talk, penned by H. C. Winchell, 552 Elm street, suggesting that the village adopt the plan without delay.

Citizen Makes Gift To Winnetka Legion

William S. Hay Pledges Permanent Gift to Local Legion Post; Plan County Fair in March

William S. Hay, 645 Sheridan road, has pledged \$25 a year as a permanent contribution to the fund of the Winnetka Post of the American Legion.

Mr. Hay's gift represents the first offer of its kind received by the post from a resident of the village and announcement of it was received with great enthusiasm by the members of the post at the regular meeting Tuesday evening of this week.

The members of the post voted to accept the offer and instructed the Post Adjutant to formally convey to Mr. Hay their expression of appreciation.

The Winnetka post will forego its other December meetings because of the holiday season. The post Tuesday evening used its new motion picture projector for the first time and viewed some interesting scenes depicting Marshal Foch's recent visit to Chicago. Pictures of training camp scenes, also were shown to brighten the memories of the former doughboys.

Stanley Clague and Samuel Otis are working for the post on extensive plans for a big County Fair to be held in March, 1922, for the benefit of the post.

Miss Dorothy Day, 454 Sheridan road, has gone east to attend the class reunion at Vassar college.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

The A Capella Choir extends to the community an invitation to hear a singing of choice Christmas music in the Winnetka Congregational church, on Thursday, December 22.

The custom established by similar programs at two successive Christmas seasons, in 1918 and 1919, is resumed this year in response to requests from appreciative friends.

The choir will present numbers from the music of the Early church, folk carols from Europe and from our American negroes, and a chorus from the liturgy of the Russian church. The program in detail will be published in next week's issue of the Winnetka Weekly Talk.

The date is Thursday evening, December 22.

QUESTION OF INDUSTRIAL AREA ARGUED AT BIG ZONING HEARING

Petitioners Want Industrial District Moved West of Village in Expectation that Railroad Will Transfer Freight Deliveries to Line West of Skokie Valley: Commission Announces Several Changes in Zone Designations

Two hundred Winnetka property owners attended the public hearing on Zoning held at Community House Wednesday evening of this week for the purpose of discussing zoning problems as pertaining to the village in its entirety, and supplementing the sectional hearings held in the past month.

Zoning in connection with an industrial district in the village provided the principal subject of discussion. It became a question as to whether it were advisable to zone as industrial a reasonable area in the center of the village along the railroad right-of-ways, including the sites of the present coal, lumber and material yards, or to accept the prediction that the Chicago and Northwestern railroad expects to eliminate freight service on its main line and deliver all freight on the branch west of the Skokie valley, and make no further provision for a "D" industrial area.

Want No Industrial

Frederick B. Thomas, in this connection, presented a petition signed by

PLAYS WILL BRING CHRISTMAS CHEER

Community Drama Club Promises Real Yuletide Cheer in Presentation of Two Excellent Plays

As a contribution to Winnetka's Christmas spirit two plays are promised by the Winnetka Players, a committee of the Community Drama club, on Saturday afternoon, December 17, at 3:30 o'clock, in the gymnasium of Community House, and offered expressly for the entertainment of the children of the village.

The vehicle, "Why the Chimes Rang," is a story written by Raymond McDonald Alden, and dramatized by Elizabeth McFadden. In the cast are Mrs. Myron T. Harshaw, Miss Florence Niemann, Miss Laura Arnold, Mrs. Harry Clarke, Mr. Harry Clarke, Mr. E. P. Farwell, Mr. Stanley Wheatley, Mr. Albert Scharf, Mr. Holden Anderson and Mr. Walter Niemann.

The music will be in charge of Mrs. Arthur Dean, and Mrs. Philomen Kohlsaat will play the chimes. Mrs. Louis K. Schmidt, Mrs. Asa Cooley, Mr. W. A. Snyder and Mr. Arthur Dean will sing.

That the adults may also enjoy "Why the Chimes Rang," another performance will be given Sunday evening, December 18, at 8 o'clock, at Community House. At that time the one-act play, "Dust of the Road," given with such success last year, will be repeated with two changes in the cast, which is as follows:

Mrs. William T. Wehrstedt, Mr. William Van Horne, Mr. Victor Whitlock, Mr. S. M. Goble.

To both of these performances all the residents of Winnetka are cordially invited. The only admission fee asked at the door is the individual ownership of a bit of Christmas cheer which the possessor is willing to let develop and expand as these plays bring them nearer to the Christmas atmosphere of "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."

CHURCH FUND DRIVE AN UNQUALIFIED SUCCESS

With \$44,453.51 reported in the count Wednesday evening of this week, workers engaged in the annual "Every Member Canvass" for funds for the Winnetka Congregational church and Community House, expected to bring the total contribution well over the budget of \$53,372.23 established by the church Finance committee, as essential to adequately provide for the needs of the church and center during the coming year.

While an expert group of canvassers visited the homes in the village last Sunday, the work could not be completed in that brief period and it was found necessary to extend the canvass through the week, in order to reach every prospective contributor. Complete success of the canvass was predicted by the zone captains.

a considerable number of property owners, supporting the latter view and suggesting that no "D" Industrial district be provided within the village limits leaving present firms engaged in coal, lumber and material business to continue as a non-conforming use, but with the provision that they must not expand in area.

This position was strongly opposed by several speakers including Raymond E. Durham, vice-chairman of the Zoning commission, and Robert Wallace, on the ground that there was no certainty that a change in freight deliveries would be made within the next ten years, and that the additional length of haul would result in an indirect tax on the community; and that if a reasonable space were provided for an industrial district the firms occupying it would be encouraged to improve their plants from the standpoint of appearance, as is done in many communities.

It was also pointed out that in case freight delivery were transferred to the west of the village the lumber and coal yards vacated could then be re-zoned to prevent the establishment of undesirable industries.

Must be Reasonable

Charles Rummeler, chairman of the Zoning commission, pointed out at the conclusion of this discussion that the Zoning ordinance for Winnetka must, fundamentally, be reasonable, and not open to legal attack by owners of property affected, and stated that the commission would take under further careful consideration the points brought out in the discussion.

Changes in the limits of various districts, since previous zoning hearings, made public by the commission, included the changing of the zone designation of the Village property at North and Linden avenues from "D" Industrial to "C" Commercial. It was announced that the village will continue to occupy this property for the purpose for which it was purchased with funds of the Village Water and Light department, until a suitable site can be found elsewhere.

Another decision of the commission changes the property occupied by Brandt Brothers on Merrill street, in Hubbard Woods, from "D" Industrial to "C" Commercial, the firm to continue as a non-conforming use without permission of expansion.

The block bounded by Oak, Cherry, Ridge and Linden, in the central section of the village, was changed from "B" residence to "A" residence, according to the commission's report.

Settle Hill and Stone Issue

Property on the west side of Lincoln avenue, south of and including the new Hill and Stone building was zoned "C" commercial. The remainder of the block to the north was changed from "B" residence to "A" residence, including Community House.

Some objection was voiced relative to the zoning of the property south of the Hill and Stone building as commercial, entertaining the fear that a motion picture house might be established there. Since the vacant space available comprises only a forty foot frontage, such a possibility was thought to be out of the question in the opinion of the Zoning commission.

There was considerable discussion of the question of providing additional "B" residence area, to afford reasonable housing facilities for persons of more moderate means who are employed in essential work in the village.

No Change at Indian Hill

No changes were announced for the Indian Hill station district and it is thought the original designations in the tentative zoning ordinance will remain intact.

Relative to the Indian Hill station business district Principal Eston V. Tubbs of New Trier High school expressed the desire that no business be permitted there since a certain business in the district at the present has worked a harmful influence upon the students of the school and presented a serious problem.

The Commission adjourned to Tuesday evening, December 13. The meeting will not be in the nature of a public hearing.