

COACH WILFRED L. CHILDS, NEW TRIER, WINS CLAIM TO TITLE 'MIRACLE-MAN'

Basketball Coach Molds Verdant Squad Into Championship Material; Cop District Honors by Squelching Fast Oak Park Team 40-25

Coach Wilfred L. Childs, veteran athletic director at New Trier High school, who for years has specialized in the department of basketball, frequently tells a miracle story which has to do with a cow sitting on a thistle singing like a bird. "Such a circumstance, says Mr. Childs, would constitute a miracle."

So Mr. Childs, the story-teller, has come by the name of "Miracle-man." Today Coach Childs is acclaimed as a miracle man of the bona fide, genuine, A-No. 1, variety. For Coach Childs this winter took an inexperienced, unheralded, make-shift basketball squad, drove it through a season of up and down fighting and—here is the miracle—landed it on top in the District tournament. In other words, he towed what has been considered a mediocre squad through to a thrilling finish and copped the bunting for our north shore school.

Makes Champs of Novices

With every member of the 1920 light and heavyweight teams graduated last June, Coach Childs was forced, this winter, to assemble an entirely inexperienced and thoroughly verdant group of youngsters as basketball prospects for the stiff competition in the Suburban High school league. One exception to the extreme verdancy was Lionel Anderson, captain, who last season was a substitute on the light-weight squad.

Humble Big Oak Parkers

Coach Childs is a miracle man because, out of this hodge-podge of material he developed a squad that, in the heavyweight class, won the district championship by decisively defeating Oak Park, Suburban League champions, on the Oak Park floor, gained second place in the Suburban league race and looks good to win the 1922 State Championship.

The lightweights, miraculous as it may seem, are tied with Oak Park for the championship of the Suburban league.

Every year except two, since the Suburban league was organized Coach Childs' cohorts have won either first or second places in the Suburban league.

Coach Childs, an extremely modest man, is the idol alike of New Trier athletes and the entire student body.

He is a graduate of the Association college, Chicago, studied three years at Chicago University and was later a student at Yale and Harvard.

Assistant to Stagg

During the years 1903-1905 he was assistant to Coach Stagg at Chicago University, in charge of basketball, and in 1905 piloted his men to a Conference championship tie with Wisconsin. This, in the second year of the sport at Chicago University.

In 1902 he coached an Austin High school squad to a Cook County championship.

In 1907-1908-1909 he coached the Fort Worth, Texas, Y. M. C. A., team

which during that period defeated all contenders, winning the championship of the state.

Coach Childs came to New Trier in 1909 and for several years coached the school in all sports.

Working continually under the handicaps of a small school, miniature gymnasium, and a student body averaging two years younger than the members of competing high school teams, he managed each year to turn out a creditable squad which made the going difficult for its competitors.

1910 A Big Year

In 1910, with a team that started the season as novices New Trier, by virtue of Coach Childs' indefatigable work, won the Central States championship. In the following year the lightweights achieved a record of 19 straight victories.

In 1913 New Trier won the District championship tournament at Aurora, losing in the subsequent State Cham-

pionship semi-finals because of the illness of captain Mills.

In 1915 Coach Childs team won the championship of the Suburban league. In 1918 the school captured the District tournament at Joliet, only to lose out in the final state tournament at Peoria by a single point.

In 1919 New Trier Lights and Featherweights took first honors in the Suburban league.

In 1920 the featherweight division was discontinued in the league but the New Trier lights copped again and the heavyweights missed the peak by one game, later won the district championship to Marion, Ill., by a lone point.

Any coach who can take a group of raw recruits and develop a championship team within a period of a few months, as Childs did this season with the heavyweights, certainly is nothing other than a miracle man—one might almost venture, a super-miracle man.

And here's "hats off" to the team that worked like a bunch of beavers under Coach Childs' expert tutelage. Look 'em over.

Lionel Anderson, Winnetka; Wallace Leffingwell, Wilmette; Arthur Seibold, Wilmette; Jack Cullen, Wilmette; Roy Nelson, Winnetka.

"Miss Lulu Betts" Next Community House Picture

Have you read "Miss Lulu Bett," Zona Gale's powerful novel? Did you see the play of the same name which was awarded the Pulitzer prize of \$1,000 as being the best produced during the theatrical season of 1920-

21? Whether you have or not, you should see the Paramount film version of "Miss Lulu Bett" which comes to the Community House next Friday. It's a William de Mille production and the principal roles are played by Lois Wilson, Milton Sills, Theodore Roberts and Helen Ferguson.

There will be two shows, one at 7:15 and one at 8:45 o'clock.

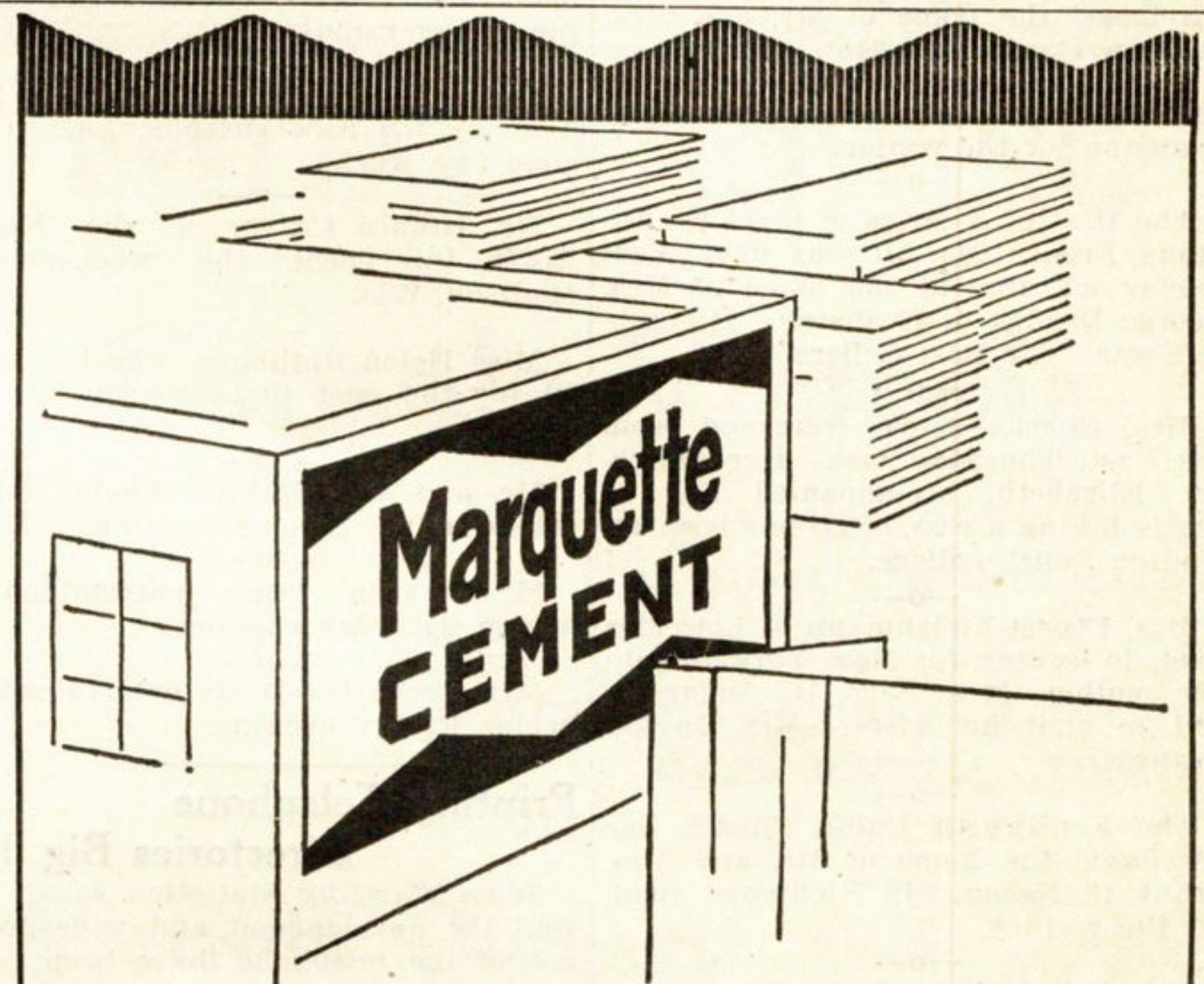
SCOUT TROOP NO. 2 HIKE

Boy Scout Troop No. 2 is to engage in a hike at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, March 12, under the direction of assistant scoutmaster Harold Clark.

The boys will assemble at Christ church parish house. On Monday evening the troop will hold a knot-tying contest, with a prize awarded for the best knot-board.

CHAMPIONSHIP SWIM

Monday afternoon, March 20, has been scheduled as the date of the championship swim to be engaged in by New Trier High school and Evanston High school natators. The swim, at Patten gym pool, Evanston, will determine the championship of the Suburban league. The teams stand one all in their two season encounters.



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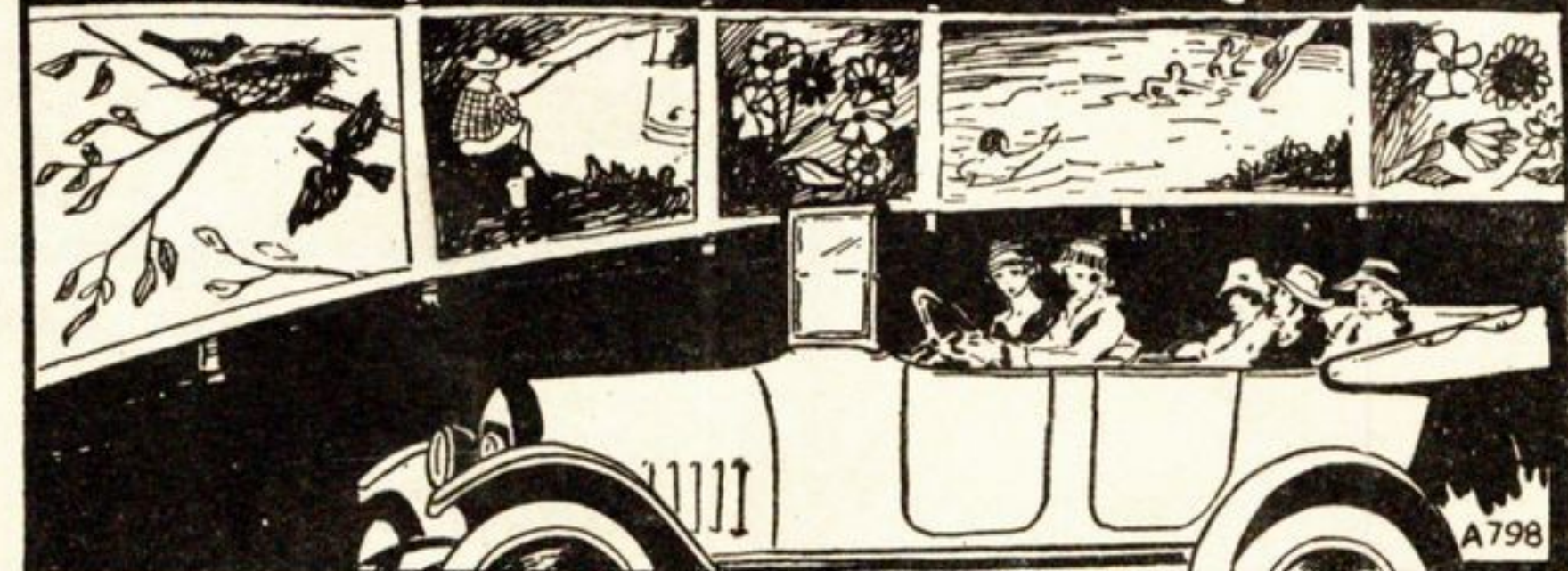
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Saturday, the eighteenth day of March, 1922, election will be held at the Horace Mann School in the Village of Winnetka, County of Cook, State of Illinois, for the purpose of voting for or against the proposition contained in the following resolution of the Board of Education of the said School District passed on the third day of March, 1922:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the proportion of the school tax levy for this school district, viz: School District 36, Cook County, Illinois, shall be for educational purposes three (3) per cent. and for building purposes one (1) per cent. of the equalized valuation of the taxable property of the said District as provided by law.

The polls will be opened at one o'clock p. m. and closed at six p. m.

GERTRUDE C. LIEBER
Secretary.

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