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CANVASS HOMES TO SWELL SCHOOL FUND

Workers Prepared to Secure Donations From Those Not Previously Solicited

GIVE HOUSEWARMING

All Invited to New Skokie School This Afternoon

It was a memorable event—last Sunday's "housewarming" at the new Skokie school. There were no speeches. There was no organized program. No formality at all about it. People just came and went as they pleased, and more kept coming, and more and more—by automobile, on foot, by the school buses. They streamed in all the afternoon until any attempt to keep track of the total proved hopeless. Conservatively estimated, some 2000 of Winnetka's population "looked her over."

It's safe to say no one was disappointed with the new building. Many who had not studied the plans were greatly surprised at the practical layout, the attractive surroundings, the equipment which our upper grade children will have throughout the years to come.

Bone-Dry Playground

The beautifully lighted class rooms, with floods of sunshine and a view over the wide expanse of playground—bone-dry, though the Skokie was flooded—divided admiration with the spacious gymnasium and assembly hall. Children dragged parents to see their new rooms and especially to see, in the Art room fireplace, the tiles which the children themselves had made. The assembly hall was still filled with scaffolds, but its impressive dimensions were evident, while the unique placing of the gymnasium which permits the two halls to be thrown together was much commented on.

"Yes, it costs a lot of money, but it's worth it," was frequently said. And those of the inspecting assemblage who by their own subscriptions have helped make this school possible took just pride in achievement.

Much work remains to be done on the assembly hall, but the class rooms will be practicable for classes by Monday noon, and the first bus trips will begin then.

Final Canvass Sunday

And now, tomorrow, comes the final step in the new school project the canvass of those who have not yet made their subscriptions. Cards have been assigned to a large number of solicitors who have agreed to call upon their neighbors and friends and present the opportunity of having a part in the building fund. Some \$42,000 is yet to be raised, and as the school is now a reality—in fact, ready for actual use—it is believed Winnetka will lose no time in saying "the fund shall be completed."

All who have seen the school and know anything at all of the crowded conditions under which it has been necessary to operate, will need no further argument as to their duty and privilege in doing their share.

The permanent "Honor Roll" tablets will be set up in the handsome vestibule of the building. The Citizens committee in charge of raising the additional \$42,000 will start work Sunday with the hope of making the roll almost a village census roll.

Church Unveils Tablet Honoring Dinsmore Ely

A part of the morning worship at the Winnetka Congregational church tomorrow will be the unveiling of a tablet in memory of Lieutenant Dinsmore Ely.

The tablet was designed by Prof. Chandler Stearns, of the Department of Architecture at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he studied under Prof. Stearns. The work was executed by Edward F. Caldwell and company of New York City and is presented by the parents of Lieutenant Ely, Dr. and Mrs. J. O. Ely.

INITIATE NEW ARCANIAN

Initiation of new members featured the regular meeting of Winnetka Council, Royal Arcanum at Community House Monday evening of this week. The Grand council of Chicago assisted in the initiatory ceremonies and there was a large attendance. Another initiation is scheduled for Monday evening, April 24.

CARD PARTY BENEFIT SUMMER CAMPS

The annual card party for the benefit of the summer camps under the auspices of Community House will be held at the Winnetka Woman's Club Wednesday, April 26, at 2 o'clock. There will be readings by Mrs. Burton Hanson of Evanston for those who do not care to play cards. A group of songs by Mrs. Asa Cooley will be followed by tea.

Women are urged to call up a member of the committee if they have not been notified. The following are the members of the committee:

Mrs. Arthur M. Barrett, General chairman, Mrs. C. Anderson Aldrich, Mrs. Godfrey Edgar, Mrs. A. Ballard Bradley, Mrs. Atkin, Mrs. Baumann, Mrs. Ayres Boal, Mrs. Barrett Conway, Mrs. Frank Crawford, Mrs. Arthur Cushman, Mrs. Joseph C. Markley, Mrs. Benjamin K. Smith, Mrs. William D. Truesdale, Mrs. Ernst von Ammon.

JANS-LAMKE JINX PIES PRICE LIST

Queer Car Prices Appear in Half Page "Ad"

Jans-Lamke Motor Company, distributors of the "Good" Maxwell, the Columbia Six and the Haynes 75 and 55, found their jinx working in the composing room and as a result in the half-page advertisement in The Loke Shore News, last week, the prices were all jumbled up. One could not tell whether he was buying a "Good" Maxwell coupe or a Columbia Six touring car for the prices seemed to mean nothing at all.

The Jans-Lamke Motor Company, 1013-15-17 Davis street, carries in stock full lines of these four automobiles and are extending a cordial invitation to the public to view the models which they have in stock when purchasing their spring cars this year. The Haynes 75 is one of the most beautiful cars on the street and its companion, the Haynes 55, in the advertisements referred to were the only

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BISHOP IS PREACHER AT CHRIST CHURCH SUNDAY

Much enthusiasm was expressed by the congregations at the Easter Services in Christ church when the rector of the Parish, Rev. E. Ashley Gerhard, announced that the preacher at tomorrow's 11 o'clock service will be the Rt. Rev. Herman Page, D. D., Bishop of Spokane.

Bishop Page is very widely known and loved by many of our Winnetka people. For years he was rector of St. Paul's church, Kenwood, Chicago, where he stood out as a leader, not only in his church but in the entire city. During those years he made a host of friends, many of whom are now living in Winnetka.

The other services will be: Holy Communion, in the chapel, at 7:30 o'clock; Children's service and Church school, at 9:30 o'clock.

"CALL YOUR ZONE CAPTAIN"

A thorough list has been made of all those to whom opportunity is to be presented on Sunday to have a definite financial part in the completing of the building fund of the new Skokie School. Teams of canvassers will make calls under the direction of zone captains or leaders. If by any chance anyone is missed, those in charge of the campaign will appreciate the calling up of the zone captain of the district. For your guidance, the districts are as follows:

East of the Tracks

North of Pine Street: W. H. KING, Jr., Winn. 1422. Between Pine and Willow Streets: M. B. PARKER, Winn. 1650. South of Willow Street: L. M. HAMBURGER, Winn. 1283.

West of the Tracks

North of North avenue: JAMES A. WHITE, Winn. 1429. Between North avenue and Pine street: W. W. CHICKERING, Winn. 354. Between Pine and Willow streets: R. C. MELENEY, Winn. 614M. CARL H. ZEISS, Winn. 534. South of Willow street: ALLAN WOLFF, Winn. 362.

WINNETKA ON MAP IN HUGE LETTERS

American Magazine Calls Village "A Town Where People Pull Together"

PRAISES COMMUNITY

J. W. F. Davies Comes in for Share of Deserved Praise

One of the greatest tributes paid an institution, or for that matter, a village, was the appearance this week in the May issue of "The American Magazine" of an article entitled, "A Town Where People Pull Together."

Yes, you have guessed it easily, "the town where people pull together" is—Winnetka. And, no doubt you have just as easily guessed what institution is written about under such an enthusiastic heading—none other than our Community House.

Center is "Main-Spring"

With remarkable insight into our village life, the author, Keene Sumner, has placed Community House as the mainspring of that Winnetka spirit of which we are all proud. He tells of a young couple who, as the author says: "saw in a Brooklyn moving picture theater, pictures of real life in a real town." Hoping but hardly expecting that some day they might come to that real town, the author tells us that they finally did; and then he goes on to portray the advantages they enjoyed for themselves and their children. Who is the young couple referred to? Mr. Sumner does not tell us, but as we read, we do not find it difficult to fit ourselves into the story and from the fitting, gain a new appreciation of the advantages all of us have too often taken as a matter of course.

How It Started

Those of us who have wondered just how Community House got its start—yes, have waited in vain for our modest "Chief" Davies to tell us something about himself, will be rewarded in Mr. Sumner's article. "The real beginning of Community House," we learn, "was with a group of three boys who complained to Mr. Davies eleven years ago 'There ain't a thing in this town for a kid to do.' Davies resolved then and there that there would be 'something for the kids to do,' and from that starting point is traced the development of the idea, how other men in Winnetka caught the enthusiasm and how Community House resulted."

Mr. Davies is quoted as telling many interesting incidents that few in Winnetka may know about; how the Halloween party, now an annual gathering of 1,500 people, came to be; what changed the atmosphere of the annual Fireman's Ball; the real reason for the remarkable democratic spirit in Winnetka. Most astonishing of all, even to those who enter Community House frequently, is the long list of activities which the article quotes and the astounding statement that over 69,000 people were counted as using Community House last year.

United Pull Needed Now

Mr. Davies is quoted as saying that the present facilities of Community House no longer are capable of meeting the demand. If that is so, and the article proves it, it is apparent that folks who believe "pulling together" is a good thing for a town must rally to the prompt enlargement of an institution which has been given such a send-off to the two million readers of the American Magazine.

Your future home?

If you're looking for a home that's not merely a house, why not look at "1006 Ridge Ave"? Perhaps it will suit you so exactly that you'll look no further. There's a garage, too.

FOR SALE—SPLENDID VALUE in 6-room stucco house, new furnace, newly decorated and painted throughout. Sleeping and front porch, garage. Lot 50x164. Reasonable price with terms. Owner on premises. Open for inspection at any time. 1006 Ridge Ave., Wilmette, Ill.

URGE PATRONAGE AT CAMP FIRE FOOD SALE

At the Winnetka Camp Fire Girls' Food sale which will be held in the Assembly Room of Community House this morning, the girls will offer delicious cakes, bread, pies cookies and goodies of all kinds as well as useful household articles made by the girls' deft hands.

Each of the seven camp fire groups will have a table, over which the guardian and girls will preside, and which will represent the work of the group. The girls will win Camp Fire honors for this effort in home craft through which they work out the law "Glorify Work" and each group is striving to register 100 per cent in effort.

Mrs. John R. Montgomery, member of the Minnetka Camp Fire Girls' Council, is general chairman of arrangements for the sale.

The sale begins at 10:30 o'clock at Community House, and housewives and Winnetka friends of Camp Fire are invited to inspect these offerings of the girls. "Do your Saturday baking at the Camp Fire Girls' Food Sale," is the word sent out to housewives by the ambitious girls.

JUDGE THOMSON NEXT MEN'S CLUB SPEAKER

Winnetka Leader to Relate Bench Experiences

Winnetka's own Judge Charles M. Thomson, one of three jurists on the bench of the Illinois Appellate court, who has had before him many of the most important criminal cases in Cook county, is to be the speaker at the last of this season's Winnetka Men's club dinners. Judge Thomson's subject will be, "My Experience in the Criminal Court." The time is Thursday evening, April 27, the place in Winnetka Community House. Dinner will be served at 6:30 o'clock.

Judge Thomson, as most Winnetkans know, is an extremely interesting speaker with a message he is eminently qualified to talk upon and which will be presented in his characteristic forceful and effective manner. His talk Thursday evening is certain to be one of the best heard during the current season. Judge Thomson has had experiences that will startle the listener. He has delved deeply into human nature as brought out so vividly and real in the courts of justice. His address will bring light upon conditions as they exist today when a great tidal wave of crime has swept over the entire country, with the laxity resultant in many quarters in meting out justice.

A Winnetka Leader

Judge Thomson, however, is Winnetka's own, principally, because he is one of the great individual forces for good in community life, a man ever active in every movement striving after civic betterment and improvement.

A packed auditorium is certain to greet Judge Thomson next Thursday evening.

Since Thursday's dinner represents the final meeting of the club year, it will be the occasion of the annual election of officers. A nominating committee comprising Charles L. Byron, chairman, Eugene Rummier and Barrett Conway, will present the candidates to be voted upon in the annual ballot. A 100 per cent vote of the club membership is expected Thursday evening.

DESCRIBES CAMPING DAYS

Dr. C. O. Schneider, local health officer, gave an illustrated lecture on "Tramping and Camping in the Colorado Rockies" last Sunday evening at the Second Presbyterian church of Evanston.

ANOTHER "HOUSEWARMING" THIS AFTERNOON!

Apologies are due those who, because of post-office congestion, did not receive the post-card notice of last Sunday's "Housewarming Day" at the new school, until Monday morning.

Some 2,000 people came on Sunday. And so great was the interest displayed that the Board of Education announces "inspection day" this Saturday afternoon for those who did not come on Sunday. Representatives of the Board will be on hand and will be glad to welcome visitors and show them through the building.

FELSENTHAL HEADS IMPROVEMENT BODY

Named President of Hubbard Woods Improvement Assn. at Annual Session

FAVORED SELECTION

Was Leader in Discussions on Zoning Regulations

Eli B. Felsenthal, 1123 Chatfield road, Hubbard Woods, was elected president of the Hubbard Woods Improvement association for the coming year at the annual meeting of the association Tuesday of last week.

Officers selected to work with Mr. Felsenthal in the direction of the association's important community activities were as follows: J. M. Dickinson Jr., first vice president; William J. McIlvaine, second vice president; Orval Simpson, secretary, and Harry McLain, treasurer.

The association has been very active during the year just terminated and the directors and officers have rendered a valuable service to the community by their interests and efforts. The association was particularly active in connection with the deliberations on the Village Zoning regulations as affecting the north section of the village. Committees were in attendance at all the open meetings of the Zoning Commission during the winter.

With the extensive improvements going forward in the vicinity of the Hubbard Woods Station park, and on the property at North and Linden avenues recently purchased from the village by Harry McLain, several problems have come up for consideration by the association. These it is expected, will all be solved to the satisfaction of a majority of the residents in the neighborhood.

The effort of the association has been at all times to recommend and sponsor such improvements as will be in harmony with the general "Winnetka Beautiful Plan," and officers and committees have at all times maintained close communication with village officials in furthering those interests.

ASK BIDS TO LOCATE NEW POST OFFICE HERE

Bids are being received for the location of a new Winnetka post office, according to Postmaster Elmer E. Adams.

"Any person may bid who can offer a site situated within reasonable distance from the railway station and having 2,400 square feet of space," Mr. Adams announces.

"Inspection has been completed," Mr. Adams continued, "and need found to materially improve the mail service in Winnetka. A favorable report has been received from Washington and it is expected that mail delivery will soon be extended to the Indian Hill subdivision and in Hubbard Woods west of Vernon avenue."

Plans for the prospective post office for the village have not been definitely arranged, it is said, though it is expected to conform in style of architecture with the scheme proposed for public buildings in the Winnetka Plan.

Bandit Pair Loot Garage; Take Car and \$50 in Cash

Two colored bandits held up the Hubbard Woods garage, about 3 o'clock last Friday morning and made away with an automobile and nearly \$50 in cash, according to the report of the local police.

The two men entered the garage on foot, but departed via a Ford coupe which they commandeered. They took \$25 from the cash register and \$21 from attendants at the garage. They also appropriated a revolver which was in a drawer in the office.

Evanston police are co-operating with the Winnetka authorities in an effort to trace the men who, it was thought, were residents of the Negro section there.

'Twas A Windy Day

Wednesday's 54-mile gale which swept the lake region played a few pranks in Winnetka, among other things tearing away a large ventilator over the apartments in the Ayres Boal building. The "wind-mill" atop Community House was shattered by the inspired zephyrs.