

TELLS BEST WAY TO PRUNE TREES

Public Service Forester Gives Valuable Hints

Directions for pruning street trees are given in an article by Howard J. Eddy, Forester for the Public Service Company, in the Public Service News.

"First of all, in large trees commence pruning at the top of the tree," writes Mr. Eddy, "and work downward, in this way saving labor of coming back to dislodge any limbs which may have been caught. And needless to emphasize, perhaps, the pruner should know from preliminary study just what he wants to cut before climbing a tree, as the aspect of a tree is very different on the ground from the aspect in the tree. In making the cut the saw should be held so that the plane of the cut is parallel to the axis of the trunk, and reasonably close to the trunk, so that no stub or even a suggestion of swelling will be left when the scar has healed.

"The branches are often cut off with a stub of varying size, left in place. This in time has formed about it a collar of the succeeding years' growth of new wood.

"The dead stub, however, gradually decays and breaks off, leaving an opening in the main trunk which offers an easy entrance for fungus growth or insect pests. Again unless the cut is properly made the limbs split parts of the main trunk as they break. To prevent this the cuts should be made with an undercut first and then an overcut. This process may take more time, but it prevents such splits.

"For all cuts it has been found possible to use a dressing of some kind of paint over the wound and so prevent decay. If the wound is made in the proper fashion, leaving a flat surface parallel to the axis of trunk or limb, the tissues of the cambium will grow and differentiate the cells of the bark which eventually cover the entire scar, forming a cambium layer over the entire surface and a barked layer over that. The difference in the appearance of the bark will always show, but the function of the tissue will be resumed in a normal fashion as though no branches had occurred and the wood rings will be laid down about it, increasing the diameter of the trunk as though nothing had happened."

To prevent decay, Mr. Eddy advises the use of some paint preparation, or preparations of cold tar.

Parent-Teacher Activities

The annual meeting of the Parent-Teachers association was held Friday afternoon May 26, in the Assembly room of the Horace Mann school. Reports of the officers and committee chairmen for the work of the past year were read and the following officers were elected for the year 1922-23.

- President, Mrs. Wallace W. Chickering.
 - 1st vice-president, Mrs. Arthur D. Jenkins.
 - 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Wallace D. Rumsey.
 - Treasurer, Mrs. George M. Pearse.
 - Secretary, Mrs. Robert H. Walpole.
 - Chairman of Education committee, Mrs. Arthur M. Cushman.
 - Chairman of Social committee, Mrs. William H. Nicholls.
 - Chairman of Costumes committee, Mrs. Henry E. Hirsch.
 - Chairman of Housing committee, Mrs. Arthur M. Dean.
 - Chairman of Cabinet committee, Mrs. Clarence Loeb.
- General chairmen:
 Horace Mann school, Mrs. Earle S. Barber.
 Skokie school, Mrs. Frank T. Crawford.
 Greeley school, Mrs. Elmer E. Stults.
 Hubbard Woods school, Mrs. Charles H. Coffin.

Mrs. Allan I. Wolff, retiring president of the Parent-Teacher association entertained the teachers of the grade schools of Winnetka and the board of the Parent-Teachers association at the Northmoor Country club, Thursday afternoon, June 8.

The teachers of the Greeley, Horace Mann, Skokie and Hubbard Woods schools will have a Beach picnic Monday evening, June 12.

Second Promotion Sunday at Congregational Church

Promotion Day for the Upper class of the Winnetka Congregational church Sunday school is to be observed Sunday morning, June 11. There are to be special graduation exercises in connection with the program at 9:30 o'clock.

Last Sunday the Kindergarten and Primary departments of the school observed annual Promotion Day. A feature of the program was the presentation of Bibles to the graduates of the Primary department.

Two Nuisances.

"Is there anything worse than to hear a business man on the links eternally talking shop?" an exchange asks. There is, brother—to hear a business man in the shop eternally talking golf.—Boston Transcript.

Scandinavian Services Announced by Minister

Activities of the First Scandinavian Evangelical church of Winnetka, Rev. Paul T. Seashore, pastor, are announced in the following order: Sunday: Sunday school at 9:45 o'clock; Morning service at 11 o'clock; evening service at 8 o'clock. (All Sunday services in the English language.

Wednesday: Prayer and Praise service (in the Swedish language) at 8 o'clock in the evening.

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