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## EDGAR GUEST, POET, SPEAKS HERE DEC. 3

"Poet of the Home" Appears  
at Community House in  
Lecture Next Sunday

## RANKS WITH GREAT

Tickets on Sale Monday at  
Drug Stores

Edgar A. Guest, the poet that all America reads and loves, is to visit Winnetka Sunday evening, December 3, speaking at Community House, at 8 o'clock. A delightful evening is in prospect. There will be special music.

Edgar Guest is called "The People's Poet" because he is a poet of the home, a song-maker of the heart. He does not write of vague, far-off things in a language past understanding; he speaks to everyday people of everyday happenings in a language everyone knows. The little real things of life are, after all, the big things, the common joys and common sorrows, are rhymed with the humor, the simplicity, and the strength that belong to them.

In an editorial about Mr. Guest, the St. Louis Globe-Democrat says: "His is the genius of Burns and Bunyan and Riley and Field, who knew the magic of simple thoughts clothed in simple words. Simple thoughts, indeed, but far greater in their importance and their power than the complicated profundities of erudition. Love and friendship and duty and honor are simple things, but they are the pillars of life. It is of these, and the social and domestic virtues which are akin to them and grow out of them, that Edgar Guest sings. He expresses the inner feelings, the affections, the hopes, the sympathies, the aspirations, of the commonality of men, as we, all of us, would like to express them if we but knew how. He gives to our muteness a voice, and we recognize the voice as our own."

Mr. Guest knows how to laugh and how to make others laugh. There's fun aplenty in his books—rhymes with little girl giggles by one who knows and loves little girls, rhymes with little boy chuckles by a boy who will never grow up. And there is another kind of fun—the sort that suddenly turns the many small threatening domestic difficulties into comedies—the magic laughter of healthy happiness. He teases you about your little foibles with a deft, friendly humor that makes you smile at yourself and puts you on better terms with the world in general. He says: "The good Lord understood us when He sent us down to earth, He knew our need for laughter and for happy signs of mirth He knew we couldn't stand it to be solemn all the while; But must share our joy with others—so He taught us how to smile."

Writes With Understanding  
Whatever his subjects, and they are as many and as varied as the problems and joys of life itself, Edgar Guest writes with understanding for those who understand. He reawakens memory with a quick, sure touch; he gives the courage to meet today with faith in fair doing, to win, with work well done, the right to smile. The very titles of his books chant his love of life and people. "A Heap o' Livin'," "Just Folks," "Poems of Patriotism," "The Path to Home," "When Day Is Done," and "All that Matters." There are the poems of America.

There is to be a small admission fee for Mr. Guest's lecture. Tickets will be on sale Monday at Community House and at the local drug stores.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

Because of the Thanksgiving holiday Thursday of next week, it is necessary to advance the "deadline" for news and advertising for next week's issue of the Winnetka Weekly Talk.

All the news matter and advertising for the issue of Saturday, December 2, must be in the offices of the Talk, 1222 Central avenue, not later than noon, November 29. Remember the "deadline" next week is Wednesday noon!

## Xmas Time Suggests the Red Cross Seals

The busy Christmas shopper who is imbued with the genuine Christmas spirit is not getting to purchase a goodly supply of Red Cross Christmas Seals, which to label the parcels that will contain the Yuletide gifts. Remember this, every Red Cross Seal you buy helps the Chicago Tuberculosis Institute to help someone else less fortunate than yourself! The Grosse Pointe Health Center is a direct beneficiary of the sale of Red Cross Christmas Seals. Buy your share of the Seals! Ask for them at the drug stores and banks. The children will secure them for you at the schools. Get the true Christmas spirit.

## CAMP FIRE GIRLS PLAN FOOD SALE

Annual Event Scheduled for  
December 3

Camp Fire Girls of Winnetka will hold their regular December Food sale in the assembly room of Community House, Saturday morning, December 2, at 10:30 o'clock.

There will be delicious home-cooked foods of all kinds. The busy Winnetka housewives may omit their Saturday baking, and find here just what they need in cooked foods for the family for over the week-end.

Will Award Honors  
Each group of girls will have its own table, presided over by the girls and their guardian, and special Camp Fire honors will be awarded the group having the most attractive table, and to the groups registering one hundred percent in contribution, as well as to each girl who has made something for the sale.

Camp Fire stands for the home and for encouraging skill and interest in everyday home matters, and the girls take a pride in cooking appetizing, wholesome and dainty food.

Expect Big Returns  
The previous Camp Fire Food sales have demonstrated the fine ability of the girls in this line, and they are determined that this sale shall be the best yet.

The general chairman of arrangements is Mrs. Arthur Sterrett, assisted by a committee of judges from the Camp Fire Girls' council.

The sale will open at 10:30 o'clock in the morning, the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Remember this date!

## Thanksgiving Food Sale on Schedule for Next Wednesday

The Women of Christ church are to hold their annual Thanksgiving Food sale Wednesday, November 29, in the Parish house from 10:30 in the morning until 5 o'clock in the evening.

Members of the guild express the hope that many housekeepers will take advantage of this opportunity to purchase part of their Thanksgiving dinners "ready-made" and are arranging a tempting array of pies, cakes, cookies, rolls and jellies. Delicious home-made mince meat will be on sale for those who desire to make their own pies.

"Here will be an unusual opportunity to start Christmas shopping, for Mrs. Charles Bolte will be at the Parish house with a fascinating array of odd and unusual articles from China, Japan and the Philippines," the guild announces.

## Yessir, Tuesday Night Is The Time for Bunco Fans

Tuesday evening, November 28, two evenings before Thanksgiving, marks the occasion of the long-since announced Bunco party and dance of the Winnetka council. Royal Arcanum, at Community House.

In the first place the Arcanians in charge wish you to know that there will be prizes for bunco, also, that there will be excellent music for the dance provided by Mumford's celebrated syncopators, and, again also, that the evening, in its entirety promises something of interest to every fun-seeker in the village.

Prizes for the party were donated by Blomdahl and Sundmark, J. F. Eckart company, the Sweet Shop Duncan's Confectionery, the Rudolph Grocery and the Royal Press.

## SCHOOL FOR BLIND NEEDS MORE FUNDS

Hadley Correspondence  
School Budget for Ensuing  
Year's Needs Increase

## APPEAL TO WINNETKA

School Does Remarkable  
Work in First Year

In a folder issued on behalf of the Hadley Correspondence School for the Blind, the writer says among other things:

"Students of our society, observers and interpreters of its tendencies and new interests, consider nothing so marked today as the awakening of the public mind to its social responsibilities. Evidence of it multiplies in the increasing daily record of philanthropies, endowments, social and educational grants. Wells declares that in the future competition in social service between nations, states, communities and individuals, the community will occupy the most strategic position for achievement because of the greater opportunity for initiative and experiment by the small organized group."

"Already one of the outstanding communities of the country, Winnetka is unique for its combination of wealth, high type of citizenship, community focus and civic and social spirit. It is not surprising, therefore, that a new and unique experiment in social work, the Hadley Correspondence School for the Blind, should be created by and find its inspiration among Winnetka people."

Launch Campaign Fund  
The trustees of the Hadley Correspondence School for the Blind have made up their budget for the ensuing year. A year ago the response of those interested in this undertaking supplied its necessary funds. The demands are constantly increasing and, accordingly, a larger sum will be necessary to finance this social service.

School Permanent Service  
The friends who supported the experimental project last year are being waited upon to renew their financial aid in this splendid work which has proven its value and become permanently established.

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## Invite Winnetkans to Attend Scandinavian Church Services

Services at the First Scandinavian Evangelical church of Winnetka, which all Winnetka residents are cordially invited to attend, have been announced as follows for the coming week:

Sunday morning, combined Sunday school and services at 10:15 a. m. Sunday afternoon, Young People's Meeting at 5 o'clock. Sunday evening, worship at 7:45 o'clock.

There is to be a special Thanksgiving Day service Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

All services at the church are in the English language. The church edifice is located at 886 Elm street.

## THE HADLEY School Needs Your Aid

## Union Thanksgiving Day Services Next Thursday

Three Winnetka churches will join in union Thanksgiving Day at the Winnetka Congregational church, when Rev. E. Ashley Gerhard, rector of Christ Episcopal church, will preach the sermon.

Churches that will join in the services of Thanksgiving are the Winnetka Congregational church, the First Scandinavian Evangelical church of Winnetka and Christ Episcopal church.

The services are expected to attract a large attendance of the villagers, since the meeting will be in the nature of a community gathering. There will be special Thanksgiving Day music.

## CHRIST CHURCH IN EDUCATION CAMPAIGN

Parish Enlightens Members  
on Church Work

Christ Church parish is in the midst of an Educational campaign to inform its members on the work of the church and its program for the future in the parish of Winnetka, in the diocese of Chicago and in the nations and the world.

For the purpose of this campaign the parish has been divided into four zones and every member is invited to attend two meetings in his zone and hear addresses on different phases of the work.

The first of these meetings in every zone has already been held and those present were deeply interested in and impressed by the program presented. The second meetings will be held as follows: For the southeast zone Monday, November 27, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Street; for the southwest zone Monday, November 27, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Elting; for the northeast zone at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hobart on Tuesday, November 28, and for the northwest zone at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Durham on Tuesday, November 28.

The speakers include the following members of the parish: Mrs. Hermon Butler, Miss Harriet Houghteling, Mr. Walter Strong, Mr. Perry Dunlap Smith, Mr. Sebastian Hinton, Mr. E. P. Bailey, Mr. E. S. Ballard, Mr. John Guthrie, Mr. Victor Elting and Mr. William P. MacCracken, Jr.

## Youth Held Blameless in Accident Fatal to Woman

Daniel F. Stilling, 159 Bertling lane, was completely exonerated of blame by a coroner's jury Tuesday of this week in the tragic death Sunday night of Mrs. Jennie Johnson, 57 years old, 558 Prividant avenue, who died at the Evanston hospital from injuries received when she was struck by a machine driven by young Stilling. The accident was unavoidable, the coroner's jury held.

Mrs. Johnson passed away at the Evanston hospital within an hour after the accident occurred.

Funeral services for Mrs. Johnson were held Wednesday. She resided with her daughter, Mrs. Daisy Biddison, at the Provident avenue address.

## McGuire & Orr Announce Sale of Fuller Homestead

Montague Ferry has purchased from Stamford White, the 11-room stucco residence at 419 Sheridan road, Winnetka, 150x500, with riparian rights, for an undisclosed consideration.

McGuire & Orr, who were the brokers, say that the property was held at \$65,000.

The house, which has been thoroughly remodeled, was one of the first homes built along the lake frontage in Winnetka, and was once the home of the late Charles H. Fuller.

### THANKSGIVING SERMON

In recognition of the approach of the Thanksgiving season, the sermon at the Winnetka Congregational church tomorrow morning will have to do with the Christian aspect of public affairs. Rev. James A. Richards will preach on "The Crimes of Patriotism."

## CHURCH LAYS PLANS FOR FUND CANVASS

Congregationalists Prepare  
for Annual Every-Mem-  
ber Visits on Dec. 3

## DINE MONDAY NIGHT

Explains Work Covered by  
Local Church

Dry as statistics prove to be to some people, a letter mailed this week by the Finance committee of the Congregational church to all members of the parish has aroused considerable interest among many who have recently come to the village. The letter states briefly some of the accomplishments of the church during the past year, but what is perhaps even more significant to those not fully acquainted with the church's work, is a succinct statement of the ideals and program of "a community church."

Most villages of Winnetka's size are over-churching in that denominations compete with each other for members, not always to the advantage of any. Here in Winnetka we have fewer churches and each the stronger for it. In the case of the Congregational church the surprising fact is given that its membership is made up from twenty-one denominations. Non-sectarian in spirit, the church emphasizes "not creeds but a life—the life of Jesus Christ as the answer to today's problems."

Supported Through Pledges  
That the church has an ambitious program for 1923 is evident from the fact that a budget of \$55,311.50 is being asked for 1923. The church has no endowment and has no pew rent system. The support is through voluntary pledges to be secured by an every-house canvass scheduled for Sunday, December 3.

Some of the facts with which the volunteer canvassers are to be equipped for their calls are that the church school is providing 675 young people with a practical religious background. Forty-five adult officers and teachers are giving their time to this work, under the leadership of Rev. J. W. F. Davies. Two hundred and fifty women are enlisted for service in the Woman's Society of the church. A Men's Sunday Morning class offers unusual opportunities to the men of Winnetka for practical study and discussion.

Unadvertised Service  
Many are the calls made during the year on the ministers and the church staff. It is a quiet, unadvertised service of counsel, of sympathy, of direction and of extending the hand of fellowship to newcomers. The church seeks to serve the community and in turn asks those who have no other church homes to join with it in making Winnetka a better place in which to live.

No less interesting than the work at home is the contribution the church makes to the world at large. During the year closing Rev. and Mrs. Clarence E. Wolsted went out as representatives of the church to do a very practical work in backward India. With a grounding of American agricultural experience the Wolsteds hope to play some part in introducing American methods as well as Christian ideals in this land of unrest.

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"NEW SOCIETY"—TOPIC  
"The New Society" by Walter Rathenau is the book on which Rev. James A. Richards will base his lecture at the Winnetka Congregational church Wednesday evening, November 29, at 8 o'clock.

### GET A COPY

The widespread interest in the forthcoming Referendum election on the adoption of the proposed new Illinois Constitution has prompted the Winnetka Weekly Talk to secure a number of copies of the proposed basic code of the State.

Only a limited number of these copies are available at this time but citizens desiring to make a close study of the provisions of the proposed document are invited to secure copies at the offices of the Talk, 1222 Central ave., Wilmette. The copies are for free distribution.