

NEW TRIER READY FOR SWIM MEETS

Will Have to Fight Evanston for Honors

Indications are Evanston and New Trier High School swimmers will fight it out again this year for the Suburban league swim championship.

Suburban league swim meets are scheduled to begin January 8. Evanston and New Trier clash on January 10. New Trier recently amassed 18 points for second honors in the interscholastic events at the Illinois Athletic club in which swimmers of Chicago and suburban high schools competed.

The league championship will be decided, as it was last year, with each team meeting the other twice during the season. The meets must be held during the week following the schedule as follows:

Jan. 8—Oak Park at Proviso; Deerfield at Morton; Evanston at New Trier (Jan. 10, 4 p. m.)

Jan. 15—Evanston at Oak Park; Morton at Proviso; New Trier at Deerfield.

Jan. 22—Proviso at Deerfield; Oak Park at Morton; New Trier at Proviso.

Jan. 29—Deerfield at Evanston; Oak Park at New Trier; Morton at Proviso.

Feb. 12—Proviso at Oak Park; Morton at Deerfield; New Trier at Evanston (Feb. 17, 2:30 p. m.)

Feb. 19—Oak Park at Evanston; Proviso at Morton; Deerfield at New Trier.

Feb. 26—Deerfield at Proviso; New Trier at Oak Park; Evanston at Oak Park.

March 5—Evanston at Deerfield; Morton at Oak Park; Proviso at New Trier.

March 12—Oak Park at Deerfield; Evanston at Proviso; Morton at New Trier.

500 CITIZENS ATTEND XMAS CAROL SONGFEST

Winnetka last Sunday evening enjoyed the most successful Christmas Carol sing in the history of that community enterprise. It was estimated that nearly 500 citizens participated in the simple but impressive Yuletide ceremony.

However, the carol singing did not stop with the service at the Community Tree on the Village Green. With the spirit of song thoroughly aroused, groups of carolers journeyed from the Green into every section of the village singing for the benefit of those who had not attended the community observance.

The Christmas Eve Carol service is sponsored and financed by the Village Improvement association. A committee of the association, which has as its duty the furtherance of art, and music in the village, has charge of the service each year. The custom was established in Winnetka eight years ago.

Biggest Christmas Mail Handled Efficiently Here

At dinner time Christmas Day Postmaster Elmer E. Adams and his diligent corps of assistants had Winnetka's Christmas packages cleared out of the postoffice and deposited in the various homes. The Christmas mail business was cleared away before the force partook of its holiday turkey.

"It was the biggest Christmas in the history of this or, I guess, most any postoffice in the country," Mr. Adams reports. "A conservative estimate shows that more than 2,000 parcel post packages passed through the local office daily, and that approximately 31,000 letters and cards were handled, each day over a period of five days beginning Wednesday, December 20.

"The largest number of pieces delivered to a single household was 97.

"If there was delay in receiving Christmas mail it was not the fault of the local office," Mr. Adams states. "Delays in most instances were due to insufficient addresses on packages and letters."

Postmaster Adams is receiving many expressions of appreciation from Winnetkans for the efficient manner in which the Christmas mails were handled at the local office.

OLD GAS BILL

Fifteen dollars per thousand cubic feet! That's what gas sold for in San Francisco sixty-four years ago.

An old bill of the San Francisco Gas Company, dated March 14, 1858, was discovered recently. It shows that the consumer paid \$24.38 for 1,625 cubic feet of gas used from March 7 to March 14.

Utility rates have changed a lot since then.

Book Reviews

By John Philip Morris

I do not believe that ever before have three books, all written by men connected with the Chicago Daily Press been published almost simultaneously. To make the coincidence even more striking, two of the men are with the same paper, The Daily News.

I have already reviewed Ben Hecht's "1001 Afternoons," so that I can devote my space to Henry Justin Smith's "Deadlines" and Hi Simon's "Orioles and Blackbirds."

As news editor of the News for many years, Mr. Smith is well qualified to write a real book on the daily routine of a paper and the many varied human types that make up that most impersonal thing, a newspaper.

"Deadlines" is just that and nothing more. But it is in every respect a true photograph, untouched and lacking the lurid lights and colors usually painted into a newspaper story or play. Not only are the people in his picture real, but we can even clearly recognize the likenesses of Ben Hecht, Carl Sandburg and the other shining lights of which we can commonly see only such subdued shadows as the opaqueness of the policy of the paper and its puritanical censorship allow.

Given Utopian conditions (I am just reading Mumford) what a paper could Mr. Smith's group produce!

Mr. Smith writes with restraint and seems constantly striving to keep from fine writing and to write down to the reportorial standard. Occasionally the Hechtian influence is felt and we get a splendid bit, but such passages are all too few.

He is a modest, retiring chap and his writing mirrors the man, but the book can stand forth boldly and claim prestige and place. Covici & McGee, the publishers, are doing work that may some day make them money, but which must daily bring the pleasure that comes from the achieving of fine things and the creation of the beautiful and the worth while.

Indeed New York has had a monopoly of the fine arts too long and now that our authors have come to be the leaders of our literature there is no reason why Chicago should not develop the machinery for the marketing and publishing of their wares. Will Ransom, as well as Covici and McGee, are doing their best to answer this question.

"Orioles and Blackbirds" is the third book from Will's private press and artistically and mechanically it is up to standard.

Hi Simons, the author, is city editor of the Journal of Commerce, but none of the austerity of that sheet has crept into his poems, which are emphatically of the Monroe school, in fact, most of them were born in that select maternity hospital of verse, Poetry.

Outside of the poems inspired by Mr. Simons' incarceration as a conscientious objector they follow the usual Monroian doctrine. They show imagination, humor and all the rhythm that free verse permits. They have been written to bring peace to the mind of Mr. Simons and being read may bring pleasure to you.

And now we have reached the frayed end of that cord of time that was the year nineteen twenty-two. Those of us in whom the love of books is a great passion through that love are bound together into a lodge whose unspoken oath is more binding and less breakable than that of Mason or Klan. Our unwritten ritual affects our lives more than creed of church or laws of state. We, who are all fellow citizens of the Utopia of Make Believe, that mightiest of kingdoms whose constitution begins "Once upon a time."

I, a simple citizen of the empire, take this the season of greetings, and thanks as an opportunity of saying to our rulers, The Authors, who live in flesh and in spirit, and to my many fellow citizens, the readers, Greetings! and may nineteen twenty-three give you good eyes to read with, good books on which to use your good eyes and the happiness and joy that comes out of good books. And thus we may find charity and tolerance and peace—that peace on earth that comes to all men and women of good will and so farewell. Hiro!

JOHN PHILIP MORRIS.

Former Wilmette Pastor May Have Chicago Charge

Word has been received that Rev. Frank E. Wilson, former rector of St. Augustine's Episcopal church, Wilmette, will be the probable selection for the pastorate of St. James Episcopal church, Chicago, recently vacated by the resignation of Rev. James Stone.

Mr. Wilson was rector of St. Augustine's prior to the World War, leaving his work here to enter the service as a chaplain in the army.

Since the war he has been rector of Christ church, Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

He is the son of the Rev. White Wilson, formerly pastor of St. Mark's Episcopal church, Chicago.

DEMAND GOOD BRAKES TO CURTAIL MISHAPS

The constantly increasing number of accidents due to faulty brakes or defective brake lining, has aroused many state and county officials to action in an effort to afford greater protection to motorists and all users of the highways and streets.

In Massachusetts, the State Registrar of Motor Vehicles, Frank A. Goodwin, has announced that he will adopt drastic measures in handling cases of carelessness due to defective brakes or brake lining. He will also revoke the license of any driver whose brakes are not in proper condition. Other states are contemplating similar action.

It is plainly evident, therefore, that officials are awake to the necessity for adequate brake protection, realizing that life and property depend upon the ability of the brakes to meet any emergency which may arise.

Appropos of this increased interest in safety factors, Dominion Asbestos & Rubber Company of New York (manufacturers of Dominion Asbestos Brake Lining, have devised a plan which, it is believed, will be of interest to motorists in this vicinity. It seems that this company not only guarantees its brake lining for one year, but likewise guarantees the workmanship of the service station that installs the lining. The car owner minion Service stations: Hubbard

also has the privilege of having his brakes inspected and adjusted without charge during the period of twelve months. Quite naturally the Dominion Asbestos & Rubber Company must select its authorized service stations with a great deal of care in order to be able to so emphatically protect the owner not only with the guarantee as to the lining itself, but with the integrity of the service man who applies the lining.

In addition, there is a service card bearing a serial number issued by all Dominion Service stations in the

name of the owner, thus assuring him continuous service regardless how far he drives or where. It will be immediately recognized that this sort of co-operation between the service station and the manufacturer of the brake lining itself, will be very beneficial to the owner and afford him the most reliable brake equipment obtainable.

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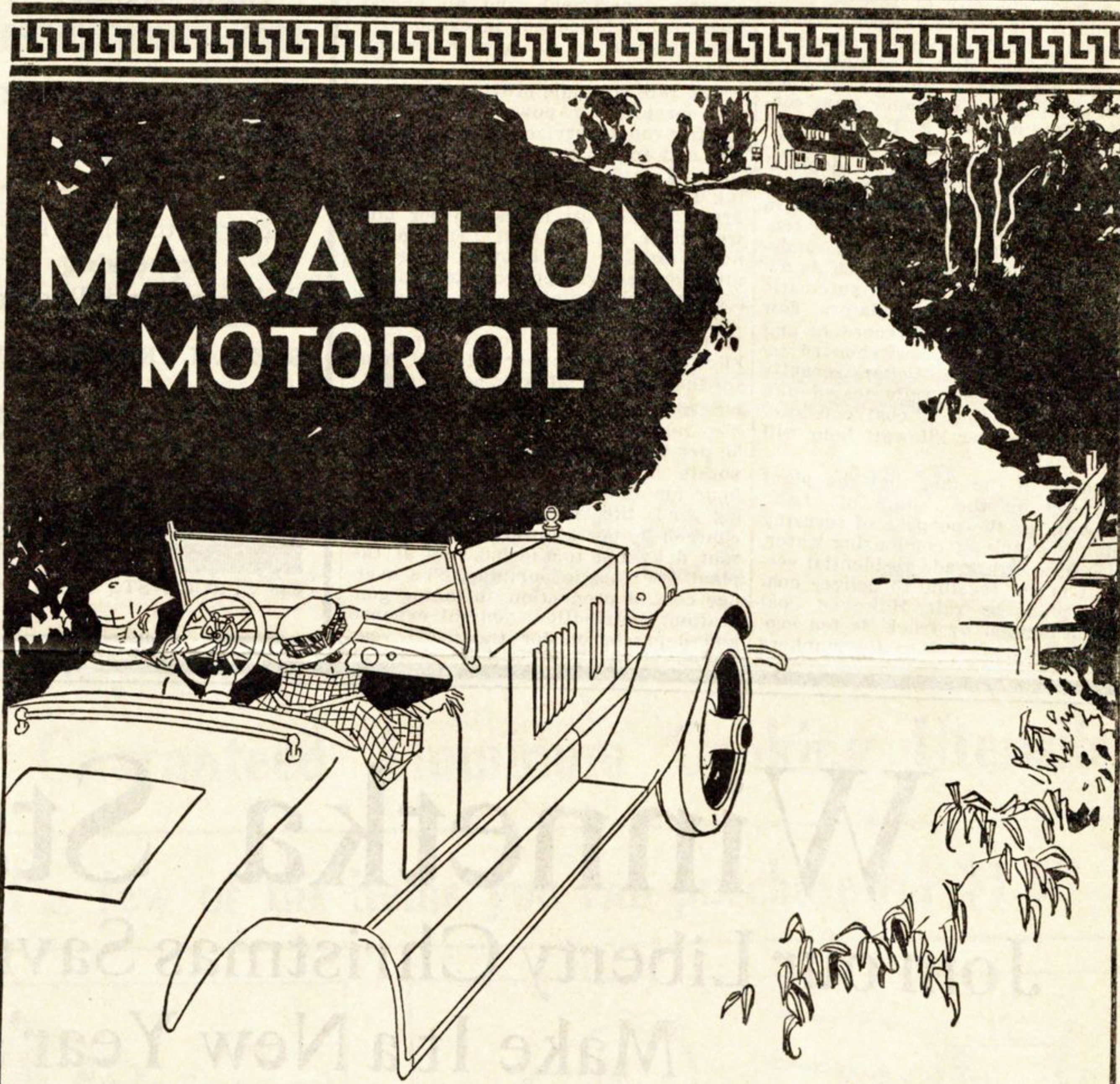
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