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AUTHORITY ON CHINA SPEAKS HERE JAN. 28

North Shore to Hear Dr. Edward H. Hume, Noted Educator and Physician

IN CHINA SINCE 1906

Speaks Next Sunday at Winnetka Community House

On Sunday evening, January 28, in the gymnasium of the Winnetka Community House, people of the north shore are to have the rare opportunity of hearing from one thoroughly in touch with far eastern problems, a talk upon the Chinese situation of today.

The speaker will be Dr. Edward H. Hume, a physician who has devoted his life to the education of young men in China and who is internationally known as the founder and head of the School of Yali (pronounced Yah-lee) or "Yale in China."

Knows His China

Having been in China, with only occasional returns to the United States, since the founding of this institution in 1906, Dr. Hume has been able to acquire an intimate knowledge of the Chinese people and a broad viewpoint of their industrial, social, economic and political problems. He is personally acquainted with President Li, present President of China; Mr. C. T. Wang, Foreign Minister and Director-General of Shantung; General Wu Pei-fu; Dr. C. H. Wang, until recently Premier of China; Mr. C. C. Nieh, one of the foremost Chinese merchants of Shanghai; and a great many others of the leading officials and business men throughout China.

China—Our Neighbor

Dr. Hume will talk about "Our Neighbor, China—a Study of Personalities and Tendencies." The day preceding his visit to Winnetka Dr. Hume is to address Chicago business men at the University club.

The high esteem in which Dr. Hume is held and the value of the work which he is doing was recently expressed at a banquet in New York at which Dr. George E. Vincent, President of the Rockefeller Foundation and Chairman of the China Medical Board, presided as toastmaster, and Admiral Joseph Strauss, U. S. N., recently commanding the Asiatic Fleet, and Thomas W. Lamont, financier, were among the speakers.

Illustrated Lecture

Stereopticon views will be shown to illustrate the lecture and a men's quartet will be included in the program.

Dr. Hume comes to tell the truth concerning a nation about which most of us know far too little. All residents of the north shore and their friends are cordially invited to attend.

Winnetka Trust and Savings Adopts 'Bigger Ad' Project

An extensive advertising program has been instituted by the Winnetka Trust and Savings Bank for the year 1923, to be conducted in the columns of the Winnetka Talk.

The bank has signed a contract for preferred advertising position in the Classified Advertisement section of the Talk, for which privilege it has agreed to pay a special rate.

The Winnetka Trust and Savings Bank advertisements have appeared in the columns of the Winnetka Talk each week over a period of many years.

By securing "Bigger Advertising" preferred position at a special rate the bank reserves the right to employ a specified place in the Talk for its advertising announcements.

Eenie, Meenie, Minie, Mo, Saith the Taxi Passenger

Things are moving so rapidly in Winnetka cabdom that it keeps a weary citizen busy figuring out which color combinations he likes best—brown and white or black and white. Well, it appears that the solution to the problem is about at hand.

The Brown and White Cab company is now under the management of Willis Erne and Edmund D. Scully and the offices are at 896 Oak street.

The Black and White Cab company, with offices in the Scully Transfer company at Prouty Annex, has purchased one of the Brown and White Cab company's brown and white cabs. Yes, we're no further along in the figuring than we were at the start.

'COME SEVEN' IS NEW GUILD DRAMA

Drama of the Negro to Be Offered Soon by North Shore Theatre Guild

SELECT FINE CAST

First Digression From Serious Drama

For its second production of the season the North Shore Theatre Guild promises a distinct novelty, "Come Seven," by Roy Octavus Cohen, whose famous negro stories are still running in the Saturday Evening Post. There are eleven characters in the play, all negroes, and the Guild is honey-combing its acting talent in order to provide the best possible cast.

"Come Seven" was selected by the directors of the theatre guild because it was felt that after three serious plays—Mixed Marriage, Jeanne D'Arc and Dear Brutus—the time was most propitious for a comedy. "Come Seven" is not only one of the funniest plays written in years, but it also has an interesting and well worked out plot. Roy Octavus Cohen's negro studies are quite as renowned, for the type they represent, as the great "Uncle Remus" yarns. Moreover, Cohen knows the negro of today as few modern writers do, so that "Come Seven," which is a dramatization of several of his stories, is really a keen and skillful portrayal of the life and characteristics of the negro as we know him.

Revolves About "Sparkler"

The story of the play revolves about a "sparkler" that is stolen and a fake diamond that takes its place. The efforts of the rightful owner to acquire the lost jewel, the ludicrous situations that are created because of the fact that everyone is trying to make some money out of the affair, and the manner in which they all reflect back against the love story of the play, cause a continuous succession of laughs. Into "Come Seven" has been placed all of the characters we have chuckled over in the stories: Rias and Elzevir Nesbit, Florian Stappay, Vistah Goins and her mother, Lithia Blevins and Semore Mashby and Lawyer and Mrs. Chew. The quaintness, trials, tribulations and joys (and now and again the desire for a lit' craps) become all the more delightful in the stage visualization of these people.

"Come Seven" was first presented at the Broadhurst Theatre in New York about a year and a half ago, with Miss Gail Kane and a rather distinguished cast. It was an immediate "hit," but for some reason the company was disbanded at the end of the New York run and the play did not reach Chicago. Its production by the guild, therefore, is its first in this vicinity. Definite dates of production and a list of the cast will be announced next week.

Cover Icy Stretches With Sand, Ashes, Village Plea

"Help make the sidewalks safe," is the appeal sent through the mails this week to Winnetka householders.

"Light snows and intermittent thaws make sidewalks icy, producing a real danger to pedestrians," the notice states. It is a physical impossibility for the Village to remedy this condition on all the sidewalks in the village and the householders are therefore asked to co-operate by covering icy stretches near their homes with sand or ashes.

(Editor's note: The element of uncertainty enters into the penning of winter stories this season. Above remarks, for instance, may not be entirely applicable should the weather continue warm as it is at this writing. However, the plea of the Village officials will do for another time, if not at this reading.)

A Nicht Wae Burns on Tab For British American Club

The North Shore British American Social club is to hold a Burn's supper for members and friends Thursday evening, January 25, at 7:30 o'clock, at Community House.

A first class program has been arranged and everything points to a most enjoyable evening.

"The making of the 'Haggis' is in the capable hands of Mrs. Bissett," it is announced, "and it is to be hoped that all who intend being present will be punctual, for, to do the puddin' justice it must be served hot."

But, Eleanor, How Could You Use Such Language?

When Edward Bremmer, proprietor of the Wilmette Bird store that was included in the destruction of the Harding block on East Railroad avenue, returned to his former place of business after daylight Sunday morning he heard a familiar voice.

"Eleanor, Eleanor," came the shrill sound from the depths of a pile of wreckage.

"Can it be possible that—?" and Bremmer dug frantically through the debris.

In a moment he lifted a piece of water-soaked canvas. There, safely encased in its shelter was Eleanor, a real, live parrot.

"Where the h— have you been Polly?" came the shrill complaint from within the cage.

SEATS GOING FAST FOR 'JOLLIES' SHOW

Mammoth Minstrel Revue Comes Jan. 29-30

The sale for reserved seats for the Indian Hill Improvement Association's Mammoth Minstrel-Musical-Revue, will commence at 7:30 o'clock, sharp, Tuesday evening at Adams Pharmacy, Winnetka. Hundreds and hundreds of tickets have been sold, therefore the advance seat sale will no doubt go with a rush, and sage advice is, "get there early and get in line so that you may procure good seats. The show is for two nights, Monday and Tuesday, January 29 and 30, but it is reported that already enough advance tickets have been sold to fill both nights at the New Trier auditorium, so again we say, "be there early if you want good seats." It is predicted the entire two nights will be sold out before Tuesday evening is over.

Bren is Jubilant

Director Joe Bren is jubilant over the way in which the show is rounding into form.

"We have some wonderful talent in Indian Hill," said Bren after last night's rehearsal, "and in all my experience in producing these shows I never saw or heard a better balanced cast of singers, dancers and comedians. Just watch those girls go through those dances; wouldn't that make Ziegfeld take a second look if he once saw them? And gaze upon those black-face end men; look at 'em prance. Isn't that a sure cure for the blues?"

While the program is still incomplete, it is practically arranged and one glance over it tells the story—the story of "why" the Indian Hill Improvement Association is so overly enthusiastic regarding the forthcoming show, the "Jollies of 1923."

Sermon on Prohibition to Be Issued in a Pamphlet

There has been such a demand for copies of the sermon preached by Rev. James A. Richards at the Winnetka Congregational Church last Sunday morning, in which he dealt with the prohibition question both nationally and locally, that the sermon will presently be printed by the church in pamphlet form for general distribution.

Turn to the Classified Page

EVERY AD IS A STORY

chuckfull of human interest for the inquiring reader. If you want to buy or sell real estate

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE!

CUT AUTO DEATHS! PLEA TO MOTORISTS

Chicago Safety Council Sounds Earnest Appeal to Every Driver of Car

HEAVY TOLL IN 1922

Motorists, Pedestrians Must Co-operate

Every motorist applying for motor vehicle license in the City of Chicago this year, will find, accompanying the license "tag," a circular calling attention to some pertinent facts relative to motor vehicle accidents and deaths, together with some sensible precautions to be taken in the interest of the preservation of life.

Death Toll Increases

"The coroner's record discloses the startling information that in 1921 motor vehicle accidents caused the death of 660 people in Cook county, of whom 243 were children. Present information indicates that the record for 1922 is even worse," says Harry J. Bell, secretary of the Chicago Safety Council, with which many north shore people are affiliated.

"Because of this unfortunate situation the suggestion is respectfully made that there be caused to be distributed with automobile licenses issued for 1923 a printed notice calling attention to this matter and urging the co-operation of everyone concerned in minimizing accidents of this character."

"Safe Drivers," is the caption of a notice given to every applicant for a motor vehicle license, and which reads as follows:

"1. 660 men, women and children were killed by automobiles in Cook county in 1921. Of this number 243 were children under 16 years of age. The record in 1922 is even worse.

"2. It is to the interest of the motorist and the entire public of Cook county that an improvement be effected in this record immediately.

"3. Experience demonstrates beyond question that 90 percent of these unfortunate casualties are preventable by:

- (a) Compliance with the law, especially with respect to speed;
- (b) Exercise of care by all concerned, including pedestrians;
- (c) Literal compliance with the admonition to stop, look and listen at all railroad crossings;
- (d) Practice of ordinary courtesy of the road;
- (e) Exhibiting towards other motorists and pedestrians the same regard as you expect them to exhibit towards you;
- (f) Remembering that the child cannot be expected to exercise the same judgment as an adult when crossing the highway or playing in the street—you must think for it!

Always Safety First

"4. The public authorities, the Chicago Safety Council, and other agencies are working earnestly to improve this situation but notwithstanding this effort the toll of the automobile continues to increase.

"5. Surely your life and the lives of those who ride with you are worth the small effort and time required to warrant safe driving under all circumstances!

"6. Safety First is humanitarian—and it pays! Your assistance and co-operation are earnestly solicited."

No Diphtheria Epidemic Here, Health Commissioner Reports

Persistent rumors to the contrary notwithstanding, health commissioner Dr. C. O. Schneider states emphatically that Winnetka is not in the throes of an epidemic of diphtheria, nor any other contagion.

Word has passed through the village in the last few weeks to the effect that many cases of diphtheria had been found here. Matter of fact, however, exactly two cases of diphtheria have been reported in the village over a period of several weeks, says Dr. Schneider.

Winnetka is enjoying excellent health, the commissioner assures.

PROHIBITION CALLED SUCCESS BY RICHARDS

Tells Congregationalists Facts Show Eighteenth Amendment Success

HOMES BENEFITED

All Must Help Stamp Out Lawlessness

Prohibition, or the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, provided the theme for a masterful sermon preached by the Rev. James A. Richards at the Winnetka Congregational church Sunday morning, January 14. The sermon was particularly appropriate in view of the fact that the anniversary of nation-wide prohibition was observed this week.

"Seeming as good as we are" was a phrase about which Mr. Richards built up a powerful message, the influence of which has reached far beyond the precincts of his parish.

Prohibition, as affecting Winnetka, Illinois and the nation was detailed for Mr. Richards' listeners. The evils attending prohibition were reviewed in forceful language, and the remedy for those evils was stated clearly and convincingly.

The sermon follows: Matthew 5:16 Even so let your light shine!

A great New York preacher was asked how he got his sermon topics "Well," he said, "I keep a lot of them stewing in a pot and when I need one I stick in my fork and find one that seems tender and ready and use that." Years back I clipped somewhere the phrase "Seeming as good as you are." Many times since I have almost thrown it away but last week I stuck in my fork and found it is just the thing I want to talk about today.

It is also just the thing that Jesus talked about in our text. It is worth while pausing long enough to be sure we understand just what he meant, for the translators have by no means always been helpful at this point. The King James' Version of the Bible was given to the world in 1611. It was a superb accomplishment, in many ways not to be surpassed. But learning did not die with the first decade of the seventeenth century. In the last decades of the nineteenth scholars are able to give us other translations, seldom superior in literary form but often superior in clarity. I am taking my morning text from one of these, the one we commonly read here, the American Standard Revision, and there are few verses which better illustrate its superior accuracy.

The King James' Version makes Jesus say, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven." How theatrical it sounds—"so that they may see!" Yea, and how far from the spirit of Him who soundly condemned those who did good works "to be seen of men." But in the American Standard "so that" gives way to "even so." The reference of the former is forwards, that of the latter is backward. Jesus has been talking of a city set on a hill and a light put on a stand. Have you ever seen such a city? It did not (Continued on Page 2)

LIFE'S REAL MEANING, MORNING CLASS TOPIC

"What is our real purpose in life?" The Men's Sunday Morning Class, meeting in the homey Neighborhood room at Community House at 9:30 sharp each Sunday, is studying and discussing some of the fundamentals.

This Sunday there will be a fifteen minute forum at 9:30 sharp on the "Christian View of Present International Relationship." The regular lesson follows, taking up Christ's larger demands of his followers. The lesson includes the outstanding Bible quotation "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?"

Laymen leadership and informal discussion is particularly interesting to the business and professional man.

RACK FROM EUROPEAN TRIP Mrs. Arthur H. Loomis and her two daughters, Elsie and Edna, of 979 Oak street, have returned to Winnetka following a six months' visit in Sweden.