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## CROWDS ENJOY FOURTH EVENTS

More Than 1,000 Children March in Independence Day Flag Parade

## DEDICATION A SUCCESS

Ball Games, Water and Field Events Popular

With several thousand Winnetka residents in enthusiastic attendance, the thirty-sixth annual celebration of the most spectacular of national holidays, the Fourth of July, Wednesday, lacked nothing, say those who participated in Winnetka's community day. In spite of the fact that fireworks were taboo, Winnetka had a "safe and sane" Fourth of July, and Winnetka enjoyed it.

For weeks a large and efficient committee had been working on the details of the big day's festivities. The result of its work was clearly shown when the long line of children, more than 1000 in all, joined in the children's flag parade just after the conclusion of the afternoon program. From the opening of the golf tournament at 8:30 in the morning, through the athletic events, the program, the dedication of the Hubbard Woods park and terminating with the street dance, in the evening, every indication pointed to the fact that Winnetka was enjoying a really happy Fourth.

### Foreman Is Speaker

Major General Milton J. Foreman, commander of the 33rd. division, was the principal speaker of the afternoon program. He treated his hearers to a forceful address on patriotism.

Sitting as presiding officer of the afternoon's program was Judge Stephen A. Foster, with Thomas H. Ratcliffe as singing leader. Roswell B. Mason read the Declaration of Independence just before General Foreman gave the principal talk of the day. The afternoon program was concluded with the singing of "America", and the marching of 1000 children in the children's flag parade.

### Dedication Big Event

Another high spot in the day's celebration was the dedication of the new Hubbard Woods Station park. At 5 o'clock the crowds gathered to hear the two speakers, men of the community, Jacob M. Dickinson, Jr., and Harry Gottlieb, officially open North Winnetka gateway. Louis B. Kuppenheimer was in charge of the flag raising on the new flagpole, and Eli B. Felsenthal presided over the meeting. A concert by the Chicago Band ended the ceremonies.

Other events of interest on the day's crowded schedule were the ball games on the lake front at Skokie Playfield. In the former contest the Winnetka Post Office nine defeated the Winnetka Chamber of Commerce in an 11 to 9 encounter. At the same time at the lake front an old man's team nosed out a younger ball team with a 9 to 7 score.

Water sports under the direction of Thomas Gosner, Lucien Griffith and Fred Priestman began at 11:30 in the morning. The water events, which attracted large crowds, included all the customary swimming events for boys who were urged on by the hope of winning one of the coveted prizes.

At 8 o'clock in the evening the final stunt on the program got under way when the orchestra tuned up and those who wished to joined the crowd at the street dance on Cedar street between Elm and Oak streets. Continued from Galley 7 to galley 8

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## North Shore Players Win Plaudits at Cort Theater

The North Shore Players added to their list of honors when it recently presented "Jane Clegg" by St. John Irvine before an invited audience of professional actors and actresses at the Cort theater in Chicago. The cast was as follows: Jane Clegg, Mrs. Jessie Royce Landis; the old mother, Fanelma Schlemmer; Jane's little girl, Louise Vonesh; Jane's husband, Ben F. Carswell; Johnnie, the son, Gordon De Lay; Mr. Morrison, M. Halley Mertz; the English "bookey," W. Harlan Ware.

The Players recently presented "Jane Clegg" in Winnetka as a benefit for the Winnetka Post of the American Legion.

## CHURCH SCHOOL STARTS SUMMER SESSION JULY 8

Beginning Sunday morning, July 8, and continuing for a period of six weeks, there will be a special summer session of the Winnetka Congregational Church school for children from Kindergarten age through the Fourth grade. This session will be under the supervision of Mrs. William T. Wersted and will be held in the Assembly room. The hour is 10 o'clock.

The general subject for this session will be "The Good American," a series of lessons which aim to define and stimulate Christian citizenship in children. Mrs. Wersted will be assisted by Miss Harriet Childs, Mrs. Myron T. Harshaw, Mrs. Davies Lazear, Miss Ida Martin, Miss Margaret Sterrett, Mrs. Joseph E. Winterbotham, Mrs. Edward Wisdom, Mrs. Charles H. Wise.

The church school bus will not be in operation for this summer session.

## COUNCIL AMENDS MUNICIPAL CODE

### Passes Ordinance on Maps and Sub-Divisions

An ordinance having to do with the regulation and approval of plats and maps of sub-divisions by the village council was passed at the Tuesday meeting of the village board. Another ordinance regulating the issuance of building permits for buildings on low-lying lands was introduced at the meeting and is awaiting further action.

The first ordinance amends chapter 38 of the municipal code. It positively prohibits the approval by the council of any maps or plats of sub-divisions, within the corporate limits, unless the owners or owner provides reasonable guarantee and security that the project will be carried out. Furthermore, the maps must contain an outline of the drainage system; and the system must have obtained the approval of the superintendent of public works and the health officer of the village. This provision does not need to be adhered to if the village has already provided an adequate drainage.

Another feature that the maps and plats must contain is the plain indication of streets at least 66 feet in width, and which are in alignment with, and an extension of, the established streets of the village.

The ordinance which was introduced at the Tuesday meeting branded low, swampy, boggy and undrained lands as unfit residential lands because of the unsanitary conditions which exist there. It prohibits the issuance of permits for residential buildings on such lands unless a village ordinance is passed providing for adequate drainage, or unless a plan of a private drainage system has been deposited with the superintendent of public works and approved by him and the health officer.

### REALTOR MOVES OFFICES

E. S. Wisdom and company, real estate, recently announced a change in the location of its business office. For some time the firm has occupied offices in the Prouty building, but now new quarters have been secured at 728 Elm street. Mr. Wisdom was formerly a member of the firm of Palmer and Wisdom.

## Be your own landlord!

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## 'HAVE A HEART' TAGGERS' PLEA

July 14 Set by Village as Official Tag Day for Volunteers of America

## LEADERS BACK CAUSE

Funds go to Destitute Families of Prisoners

July 14 will be "Heart Tag Day" in Winnetka and other nearby towns for the Volunteers of America, permission having been given to a representative of that worthy institution founded many years ago by Maud Ballington Booth. Sponsors for the Winnetka enterprise are: Mrs. Victor Elting, Mrs. E. Ashley Gerhardt, Mrs. Charles Morlock, Rev. James A. Richards, Mrs. Orval Simpson, Mrs. E. A. Tilroe, with Mrs. Edgar Bernhard in charge at headquarters on the day at Community House.

### Care For Prisoners Homes

The Volunteers of America is an organization dedicated by Mrs. Booth to spiritual work among prisoners and to relieve destitute families of prisoners in state penal institutions. "More than 170,000 children in America have been saved to future good citizenship through our work," said Mrs. Booth, when she spoke recently at Joliet.

Invitations to help sell the heart tags have been sent to a number of grade girls and boys and as an incentive, as well as a reward for their efforts, five pretty and useful prizes have been generously offered by local merchants including G. L. Zick and company, The Adams Pharmacy, Winnetka Pharmacy, and Wilmette Village theatre.

### Use Funds In Illinois

The tags are to be sold, as is customary, for whatever the purchaser is willing to give to this cause. The money collected is to be used in Illinois, it is stated.

## HUBBARD WOODS PARK DEDICATED

### Community Men Speak at Holiday Ceremony

Coming near the close of a peaceful but enthusiastic celebration of the Fourth of July, the dedication of the new Hubbard Woods Station park was one of the most important events in Winnetka's program for the national holiday. A large crowd turned out to see the impressive ceremony which marked the official opening of the beauty spot.

Eli B. Felsenthal, president of the Hubbard Woods Improvement association, presided over the services which were held at 5 p. m.

Two speakers, well known in the community as community leaders, occupied the speakers' chairs. Jacob M. Dickinson, Jr., and Harry Gottlieb spoke at the gathering making the principal addresses of the occasion.

At the flag raising ceremonies, the colors were unfurled on a new flagpole placed in the park by the Winnetka Park district, Louis B. Kuppenheimer, resident of Hubbard Woods, in charge. The Chicago Band ended the dedicatory program with a concert under the direction of William Weil, conductor.

### Mr. Timberlake Makes His Periodical Rounds

M. J. Timberlake, resident of Winnetka and special representative of the Winnetka Weekly Talk, is making his periodical canvass of the homes of the community looking after the wants of Talk subscribers and offering the home paper to those new residents who have not as yet become members of the Talk family.

Mr. Timberlake recently celebrated his 81st birthday. He is a veteran of the Civil war. His health slogan is: "keep fit by working." Many householders will remember Mr. Timberlake from the time of his previous canvass of the village.

### NO FIRES ON THE FOURTH

Three fires in the month of June and none since the middle of that month! That is the record of the Winnetka fire department, which reports that the last fire to which it was called out occurred on June 19. No Fourth of July calls were received by the department.

## WINNETKA MANOR ROADS GET O. K. AT HEARING

Winnetka Manor sub-division will be paved. That was decided Tuesday night when the board of local improvements held an adjourned public hearing. At this meeting it was reported that property owners in the sub-division had made the completion of the project possible by assuming the school board's share of the expenses of paving Oak street fronting the Skokie school building.

Announcement of the intention to complete the project comes after a period of doubt as to what would be done. The school board thought that it could afford to bear its share of the assessments for the paving of Oak street. Accordingly the board of local improvements announced that it would carry through the paving if property owners in the sub-division would assume the school board's share of the Oak street expense. Agreements to this effect were brought into the meeting Tuesday night.

Only that portion of Oak street that lies between Rosewood and Glendale will not be paved. This section of road was dismissed from the proceedings because property owners on this stretch did not guarantee to bear their share of the school board's assessment. A special assessment proceeding must be started to pave this road.

## UTICA SINGERS HERE ON JULY 12

### Negro Entertainers Appear At Community House

Thursday evening, July 12, at 8 o'clock in the gymnasium of Community House, the Utica Singers of the Utica Normal and Industrial institute will give their annual concert. This is the third visit these singers have paid to Winnetka and all who heard them in previous years will, it is expected, surely wish to enjoy that pleasure again.

The Utica institute is an institution for the training of colored young men and women. The institution was started in the open air, in a forest without visible means of support in 1903, with one teacher and a few pupils. From this small beginning it has grown to be one of the leading institutions in the south. The attendance of students last year was 660, and these came from various counties in the State of Mississippi and several other Southern states. In all departments there are employed 35 teachers, instructors, and officers.

Each student is given special training in some industry, together with a good common English education. Since the founding of the institution, twenty years ago, about 1,500 young negroes have finished a full or partial course, and are doing splendid work in the South as teachers, farmers, and industrial and religious workers.

### Let Coal Contract for Water and Light Plant

Authorization for the purchase of the coal supply for the water and lighting plant for the period ending April 1, 1924, was made Tuesday at a meeting of the Winnetka council. The purchase will be made from C. M. Moderwell and Company, Chicago.

Purchase of the coal will be made at market price until Oct. 1. From the first of October to the first of April, opportunity will exist for the purchase of the coal at an option which stipulates a price of \$2 a ton F. O. B. the mines for two inch screenings. The coal that will be used will come from the Harrisburg mine of the Ogara Coal company and will have an average heating of 13,000 B. T. U.

Bids on the contract were also received from the D. C. Shoemaker Coal company and the Taylor Coal company, Chicago concerns.

### 10,000 Mile Western Trip For Mr. and Mrs. Schell

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Schell left Winnetka Saturday to tour the Western coast in company with a party traveling under the direction of the Cook County Real Estate board. Mr. Schell is the principal owner of the Schell dry goods stores located in Evanston, Wilmette, Winnetka and Glencoe.

The trip undertaken by Mr. and Mrs. Schell is a 10,000 mile journey called the "Grand Western Circle Trip." The party will stop at St. Paul, Glacier National Park, Vancouver, Seattle, Portland, San Francisco, Los Angeles, the Grand Canyon, Colorado Springs, Kansas City and intermediate points.

Mr. and Mrs. Schell expect to be home on July 29.

## PETTY THIEVERY LAID TO NEGRO

Edward A. Zimmerman, Jr., Plays Detective; Obtains Arrest of Houseman

## SECURES CONFESSION

Woman Accomplice Is Located Through Ruse

Some clever detective work by Edward A. Zimmerman, Jr., lawyer, residing at Wilmette, brought Richard Mitchell, colored, before the Wilmette police court this week on charges of having stolen a wrist-watch, revolver and miscellaneous jewelry two weeks ago from the Zimmerman home.

Mitchell was held over to the grand jury on bonds of \$1,000 by Police Magistrate Mickey in a hearing early this week in the local court.

### Blames Agency

Mitchell's services were secured by the Zimmerman family through a local employment agency. After the theft had been discovered and suspicion cast upon the negro, Mr. Zimmerman encountered serious difficulty in obtaining any definite record of the man's previous residence, or places of employment. The employment agency, he said, did not have records of any consequence that might aid in the apprehension of the suspected man. The agency knew practically nothing about him.

Eventually, Mitchell was located by Zimmerman through a local storage company, with which he had sought employment, and he was placed under arrest. Shortly afterward, by virtue of a ruse in which a mock prisoner was placed in an adjoining cell, and who soon gained the confidence of the accused negro, Mitchell made a complete confession, stating that he was in the habit of turning over his collected loot to a woman friend in Gary, Ind., named Pauline Roberts.

### Woman Arrested

Mr. Zimmerman's next step was to have the mock prisoner meet the woman at the La Salle street station at Chicago, under the pretext that he was acting as a "go-between" for Mitchell. The plan worked perfectly, local police arresting Miss Roberts as she stepped from the train. Booked as an accomplice of Mitchell, she was to have appeared for a hearing late this week.

In commenting on the theft, Mr. Zimmerman emphasized the need of more adequate laws designed to make employment agencies responsible in some degree for the people recommended to householders. An ordinance to that effect, and licensing such agencies, should be enacted by the Wilmette Village board, he suggested.

It is thought that Mitchell, who it is said had been working in various homes in the village, may have been responsible for several other reported cases of petty theft.

### "Skyland" Is Subject at Third Children's Program

The third Children's Afternoon at Ravinia, scheduled for Thursday, July 12, will be featured by Nature classes in "Skyland" conducted for the youthful visitors by Mrs. Theron Colton. These classes show the fascinating manner in which the children study the stars and play the star stories and games. Miss Bertha Iles will be the stage director.

In the cast of characters will be Nancy Poole, Encie Brees, Tom Wells, Frances Brees, Richard Mandeville, Hobart Taylor, Jane Trowbridge, Mary Ann Ruffner, Virginia Ruffner of the Lake Forest Nature class; Dorothy and Barbara Reinhart, Helen and Barbara Bersback, Billy and Mary Louise Gardner and Brent Anderson of the Winnetka Nature class.

There will be the usual selections by the Chicago Symphony orchestra and the interpretations of the numbers by Mr. and Mrs. Oberndorfer.

The afternoon's program begins promptly at 3 o'clock.

### Albert Tilroe Wins June Tournament at Playfield

Championship in the class A of the June Class tournament at Skokie Playfield was decided this week when Albert Tilroe defeated G. Fahey in the final contest. Decisions in Classes B and C have not yet been made.

The July Class tournaments are already under way. First rounds in this tournament will be played this afternoon and Sunday.