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EXPERT SPEAKS ON RUHR TANGLE

Kirby Page, Author and Lecturer, to Speak at Woman's Club Tuesday

FIRST HAND FACTS

Spent Last Summer Investigating in Europe

The League of Women Voters, through the instrumentality of William Ayer McKinley of Hubbard Woods, has been fortunate in securing Kirby Page, authority on the present Franco-German crisis, to speak at a public meeting in the Winnetka Woman's club, Tuesday evening, December 11. His subject will be, "America and the Crisis between France and Germany."

As stated in last week's issue of Winnetka Talk, Mr. Page spent last summer in Europe where he made a scrutinizing investigation, particularly in the Ruhr valley, and was successful in gathering an astonishing mass of evidence, recently published under the title "War, Its Causes, Consequences and Cure."

On Experts Commission

Mr. Page was one of a group of Americans, consisting of ten college presidents and professors, ten ministers, and ten others including labor leaders, business men, writers and Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. secretaries, that studied European conditions last summer. The party was under the leadership of Dr. Sherwood Eddy and also included a few representatives from China, Japan, Germany and Czechoslovakia. They studied in a Seminar in Toynbee Hall, the famous pioneer settlement in East London, and also visited Paris, Berlin, Dresden, Prague, Vienna and Geneva.

Interviews Krupp Official

Mr. Page went through the Ruhr where he had an interview with the head of the Krupp works at Essen. In Paris receptions were given the group by the Governor of the Bank of France and by "Le Matin." In Berlin there were interviews with two members of the Cabinet, the American Ambassador, the chief associate of Hugo Stinnes, trade union officials, leaders of the Red Cross and social workers.

From this wide diversity of contacts Mr. Page brings an experience that well qualifies him to discuss the present crisis in Europe. Winnetkans are fortunate in having this opportunity of listening to one so recently from Europe with so wide a field of observations made without prejudices.

The lecture begins at 8 o'clock and every resident of the village is urged to attend.

Fig Street Opening Is Authorized by Council

The Village council, at a public hearing Tuesday evening of this week, adopted resolutions authorizing the opening of Fig street west of Rosewood avenue, providing for a 66 foot street from Rosewood avenue to Laurel avenue to connect with the 66 foot street east of Rosewood avenue and west of Laurel avenue.

No plans for paving the proposed road are contemplated at this time, it is said, since the council is of the opinion that a cinder roadway will be adequate for the present.

Tuesday's hearing was attended by a number of interested property owners and action of the council followed a lengthy discussion as to the necessity of a full width street in the location in question.

HERE'S BIGGEST WEEK FOR THAT BAND FUND

The Band Fund to Date	
Mrs. F. M. de Beers.....	\$ 5.00
Forest R. Lowrey.....	10.00
Morris Henry Hirsh.....	25.00
Miss Charlotte Erwin.....	25.00
H. E. Ames.....	10.00
Indian Hill Improvement Association.....	10.00
Total.....	85.00
Previously acknowledged.....	333.75
Total.....	\$418.75

The Indian Hill Improvement association is the second north shore civic organization to contribute its bit to the fund now being collected by Lloyd Hollister, Inc., to purchase uniforms for members of the New Trier High School Band.

Additional splendid contributions from individuals, bring the total of the fund to date to \$418.75. This week's contribution was the largest for any single week, and prospects are bright for an early subscription of the entire amount.

The band needs \$2,000 for uniforms for its 120 members. In addition to the fund collected by Lloyd Hollister, Inc., the band is planning a benefit concert for late in January, which is expected to swell the fund to its total.

Small contributions from a large number of New Trier residents will insure this fund. If you have not as yet mailed your check, do so today!

Make it out to
**NEW TRIER BAND FUND,
LLOYD HOLLISTER, INC.,
1222 CENTRAL AVENUE,
WILMETTE, ILLINOIS.**

CALL HEARING ON SUBSTATION

To Consider Plan for Plant in Village

The question of the advisability of permitting the establishment of a sub-station by the Chicago, North Shore and Milwaukee Electric railway on its property at Foxdale and Humbolt avenues, will be considered at a public hearing called by the Plats and Zoning committee of the Village council for Tuesday evening, December 18, at the Village hall council chambers.

The notice of the contemplated public hearing is set forth as follows under the signature of Mary A. Langworthy, chairman of the Plats and Zoning committee:

"The Village Council has received a petition from the Chicago, North Shore and Milwaukee railroad for permission to erect a sub-station on their property at the northeast corner of Foxdale and Humbolt avenues, described as Lot 30, Block 6, Winnetka Park Bluffs subdivision, this sub-station to be used for transforming high voltage energy for operation of the electric railroad.

"Under the provisions of the Zoning ordinance, the Village Council may, after public notice and hearing, authorize, in any location, a structure or premises to be used by a public service corporation or for public utility or municipal purposes, which it deems reasonably necessary for the public convenience and welfare.

"The Zoning committee of the Village council therefore will hold a public hearing on Tuesday evening, December 18, 1923, at 7:30 o'clock P. M., at the Village hall, for the purpose of considering this matter with interested property owners.

Camp Fire Food Sale Is On This Morning

Winnetka housewives will be seen in great numbers at Community House today, bent on taking advantage of the attractive sale of cooked foods and pastry delicacies arranged by the Winnetka Camp Fire groups.

The sale is to begin at 10:30 o'clock and will continue throughout the afternoon.

The foods and pastry demonstrate the skill of the various camp fire groups in the culinary art and each table will come under the careful scrutiny of expert judges whose decisions will bring coveted awards to the most proficient "cooks" among the girls.

The sale is an annual event during the holiday season. Each of the n.n. Camp Fire groups will have a table.

Mrs. Arthur Sterrett is general chairman of the affair.

Don't forget, the sale is on this morning!

WINNETKA GETS 1ST CLASS P. O.

Merchants to Boost Government Building

In 1924, Winnetka will boast a post office of first class rating, Elmer E. Adams, local postmaster, informed members of the Winnetka Chamber of Commerce Wednesday evening of this week.

Receipts at the Winnetka post office are now sufficient to warrant a change from second to first class rating, Mr. Adams said, and it is imperative that, with this advance, Winnetka take steps to secure a government building.

"The Winnetka Chamber of Commerce, the membership of which comprises all the progressive business men of the community, is the logical organization to sponsor such a movement," he said, "and I know there will be no hesitation here in pushing such a project to a successful conclusion."

Mr. Adams' remarks were followed by definite action in which the Chamber of Commerce expressed its determination to become the sponsor of a government building for Winnetka adequate to house a first class post office.

In accordance with its plan to bring matters of broad interest before its members, the Chamber of Commerce Wednesday secured Harry Herb, authority on chemical warfare, as the principal speaker of the evening. Mr. Herb gave a graphic portrayal of the operations and developments of chemical warfare in connection with the late war.

Robert Wallace, president of the West Winnetka Improvement association, was called upon for a few words and expressed the opinion that the question of eliminating grade crossings was the biggest problem facing the village. Such a movement may be an expensive proposition, he averred, but it is none the less Winnetka's foremost concern.

The Chamber of Commerce band provided a splendid program of music to "top off" the evening and later raised a fund sufficient to secure a bass horn for the organization.

BISHOP ANDERSON WILL SPEAK HERE TOMORROW

Members and friends of Christ church will be pleased to learn that Bishop Charles P. Anderson, of the Chicago diocese, will preach and conduct confirmation ceremonies at the morning services Sunday, December 9.

Notices went out to the members of the parish early this week to the effect that the bishop, in anticipation of having to undergo an operation, would be unable to appear at the church tomorrow. Rev. E. Ashley Gerhard, the rector, received word on Thursday, however, that Bishop Anderson had been discharged from the hospital and would officiate at the services in Christ church this Sunday.

Bishop Anderson's appearance this Sunday represents his annual visitation in the parish. His coming is always regarded as one of the outstanding events of the church year.

The public of the village is cordially invited to hear the distinguished prelate at the morning service.

Want a home in Deerfield?

OFFERED FOR IMMEDIATE sale. Nine very attractive building sites, heavily wooded and highest land in vicinity. Three blocks from Deerfield station on C. M. & St. P. R. R. Lots average 69 to 65 ft. frontage. Priced unusually low at \$15 a foot.

Find your future home in a CLASSIFIED AD

MEN'S SUNDAY CLASS TO HEAR CHICAGOAN

Providing the Men's Sunday morning class at Community House with one of its most interesting discussions, B. H. Atwood and N. R. Brooks took for their subject last Sunday, "Has National Consciousness Ceased to be Noble?"

A large and interested group of Winnetka men attended this session of the class. Several expressed themselves as having found it.

For Sunday, December 9, the class has been able to secure Prof. D. D. Luckenbill of the University of Chicago, who will talk on the "Religious Conceptions of Moses and their Origin." Professor Luckenbill is an authority and has some very decided views on his subject, which are expected to be very interesting. All Winnetka men are invited to attend at 9:30 o'clock in the morning.

WILLOW SUBWAY HEARING TOPIC

Ponder Plan to Close Street at Subway

The question of closing the Willow street subway will be the subject of discussion at an informal public hearing at the Village hall Tuesday evening, December 11, called by the Track Depression committee of the Village council.

The committee this week issued the following notice over the signature of Henry F. Tenney, chairman:

"The Track Depression committee of the Village council will hold an informal public hearing on Tuesday evening, December 11, 1923, at 8 o'clock P. M., at the Village hall, for the purpose of discussing with interested citizens the question of closing Willow street at the railroad, in connection with the track depression project and the through truck route.

"The question as to whether Willow street shall be closed at this point is one which must be decided in the near future, and arises because of the fact that to provide a subway crossing here after grade separation will cost approximately \$250,000, a substantial portion of which expense may have to be borne by the village. In addition, the construction of a through truck traffic route along the west side of the railroad presents unusually difficult engineering problems at this point, if the subway crossing is continued.

"The council committee desires to present the problem in detail to interested citizens, and to have the benefit of their point of view before making a decision in the matter."

Business Streets Get New Lights in 1924

The proposed new ornamental lighting system for Winnetka's business districts came nearer realization this week when the Water and Light committee of the Village council met with the Lighting committee of the Winnetka Chamber of Commerce to consider the selection of a certain type of lighting fixtures and standard.

As soon as a definite style of fixtures and standard are adopted, the council plans to institute special assessment proceedings for construction of the proposed improvement. It is hoped actual work will be started in the spring.

Winnetka business men, at the instance of the New Trier Commercial formally recommended an ornamental electric lighting system for the Elm street and Hubbard Woods commercial areas at meetings a year ago at which time vote was taken on the matter. Village authorities, who for some time had desired such action on the part of the business property owners, proceeded a once with a survey of the districts in question and with plans for establishing the new lighting system.

"Frontier Days," Topic for Richards' Sermon

"Frontier Days" will be Rev. James A. Richards' sermon subject at the Winnetka Congregational church Sunday morning, December 9.

The music program at the morning service will be as follows:

Quartet—"Comfort Ye My People"
..... Federation
Quartet and Girl's choir—"De Profundis."

Tenor solo—"My Hope Is In The Everlasting"
Steiner
Mr. Lawley.

CLUB ARRANGES CHRISTMAS PLAY

Players of the Community Drama Club to Present "Chimes" Play

COMMUNITY PROGRAM

Club's Annual Gift to the Village

In the past three years at Christmas time the Community Drama club has expressed the Yuletide spirit in the presentation of a play and extending an invitation to the entire village. In accordance with this custom, the Community players of the Community Drama club will again present the beautiful Christmas play, "Why the Chimes Rang." The children of the village are invited on Saturday afternoon, December 22, at 3 o'clock, and the grown-ups on Sunday evening, December 23, at 8:15, in Community House.

Excellent Program

This play is more than merely a Christmas play, it is a gift of the players of themselves. All who take part whether in the play or the beautiful music accompanying it, do it for the joy of the giving of themselves to this spirit of Christmas. It is a unique and beautiful offering. The cast includes those whose talents have been much enjoyed on previous occasions. Complete details will be published next week.

On Saturday afternoon, December 22, a group of children from the Country Day school will sing. On Sunday evening, there will be a group from the Skokie school.

Special Soloists

In addition to this, there will be special music by Mrs. Asa B. Cooley, Mr. and Mrs. Burton Atwood, and Mr. Arthur Dean. All are working diligently to make this the most beautiful production yet given. The play will be under the direction of Mrs. Sherman Goble.

A cordial invitation is extended to all residents of the village to attend, and to keep in mind the dates, December 22, and December 23.

William F. Kentnor Is Named Head of Masons

William F. Kentnor was elected worshipful master of the Winnetka Lodge U. D. A. F. and A. M. at the annual meeting held in the Masonic temple Tuesday evening of this week.

Chosen to serve with Kentnor in the ensuing year were: William F. Groene, senior warden; George F. Barbary, junior warden; E. F. Fitch, senior deacon; Sidney G. L. Wellbeloved, junior deacon; Allen T. Weinstock, treasurer, and Andrew F. Batty, secretary.

Formal installation ceremonies are to be observed Tuesday evening, December 11, in the temple.

Dally Residence Scene of Blaze on Thursday

The Winnetka Fire department arrived at the home of Norman E. Dally, 1031 Oak street, just in time to extinguish what gave promise of a serious fire on Thursday morning, December 6.

The call came into the department at about 9 o'clock in the morning and when the firemen arrived at the scene of the blaze the attic and roof of the house were in flames. The fire was under control in a very short time and the blaze confined to the upper story of the dwelling.

It was thought the fire was caused by a defective chimney.

THE HERO MEMORIAL

The question of establishing a fitting memorial for Winnetka's war heroes has been brought to the attention of readers in recent issues of Winnetka Talk.

Mrs. Carrie B. Prouty, executive secretary of the Community council, which had in charge the matter of adopting plans for a memorial, has an interesting letter in another column of this issue which should be read by every person interested in the proposition to give Winnetka a Hero Memorial.

CHRISTMAS SEALS AND FOREIGN MAIL

The Post Office department at Washington through the Second Assistant Postmaster General calls attention to the fact that Christmas seals and other non-postage stamps when used in large numbers to decorate the address side of letters, papers and parcels sent in the mails to foreign countries render this material unmailable. Some post offices maintain a very strict prohibition against affixing seals in this way while others are more lenient. The Post Office department suggests, therefore, that newspapers disseminate this information that the public may be generally informed that this is not a proper use of Christmas seals.