

GET HINTS FOR FINER WINNETKA

Well Known City Planner Gives Some Advice to Indian Hill Association

CITES "BAD" SPOTS

Suggests More Lake Frontage for Parks

At a well-attended meeting of the Indian Hill Improvement association, held Monday evening, December 3, at the Greeley school, Myron H. West, city planner, gave an interesting discussion of the importance of looking ahead and planning for the future in the development of communities in general and of north shore towns in particular.

Mr. West made a number of specific recommendations applicable to the Indian Hill section of Winnetka, the most important of which were:—

The Improvement and Beautification of the Station Facilities—Mr. West designated the station as the community's "front door," and stressed the importance of providing, at an early date, facilities which will be not only safe and adequate for future needs, but which will also provide a beauty spot in keeping with the recently installed station park at Indian Hill.

Should Care for Trees

More Attention to the Care and Planting of Trees in the Parkways—“The care of trees in the parkways and the planting of additional trees,” said Mr. West, “should be a community undertaking and not left to the individual. The trees in Indian Hill give evidence of lack of care and of planning for the future. This is doubtless due to an inadequate appropriation, though a large appropriation is not necessary, and the importance of the subject to a residential community such as Winnetka warrants more attention. Mr. West then cited the experience of Buffalo, which, on a comparatively small outlay, has, over a period of ten years, improved its trees until they are now regarded as a priceless asset.

Need More Lake Frontage

Increased Lake Frontage—Mr. West pointed out that Winnetka at present has only about 1,000 feet of lake frontage for public usage. Drawing on his experience in other communities, he stated that, while this may appear adequate for the present, the future need of the Village justifies immediate consideration, while space is available, to the question of obtaining additional frontage.

Improving School Grounds—While stressing the good fortune of the neighborhood in its splendid school grounds, allowing, as they do, for large future growth, Mr. West pointed out their rather unsightly appearance and stressed the importance, from a standpoint of beautification, of more thought toward improved landscaping of these grounds.

Supervision of New Real Estate Developments—The speaker stressed

strongly the necessity for careful supervision of all new real estate subdivisions and developments, even though these might be on the fringe or even outside of the village limits. He cited the fact that Illinois statutes provide for the approval of street platting outside village limits where no other incorporated communities are encountered. The lack of such supervision, Mr. West stated, has been largely responsible for the hit or miss developments all too frequently found in territory adjoining, and often within, the average American community.

Lauds Sunset Park

Sunset Road Park—The center park in Sunset road offers a splendid opportunity, Mr. West pointed out, for an additional beauty spot in South Winnetka. “Control of this park should, however, rest with the village, rather than with the abutting property owners,” stated Mr. West, substantiating his viewpoint with the experience of other communities in dealing with similar situations.

Following Mr. West's talk, the regular business session of the association was held, during which a number of important matters were discussed. Among these were—improved train service, investigation of the proposed building project on the south side of Winnetka avenue, and plans for an entertainment at a latter date.

Following the business, the entertainment and refreshment committee contributed toward making the social side of the evening a great success.

Friendship Circle Holds Annual Dance on Tuesday

Tuesday evening, December 11, is the date of Friendship Circle's annual dance at Community House. The affair will be held in the gymnasium beginning at 8:30 o'clock, with the well known Vagabond Dance orchestra furnishing the harmony.

Chaperones for the event will include Mrs. Eloise W. Wortley, Mrs. Charles Kreger, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Jaedecke, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Sauer, Jr.

Every resident of the village is invited to this dance which is a benefit for the circle comprising girls employed in Winnetka homes.

Wilmette Optimist Club Gets Charter Next Week

Members of the newly organized Optimist club of Wilmette are to observe Charter Night Thursday evening, December 13. James W. Chilton, of St. Louis, president of the Optimist International, will be the speaker and make formal presentation of the charter.

The Optimist club is a luncheon organization for business and professional men.

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Mrs. Jessie E. Fugate Dies at Winnetka Home

Mrs. Jessie E. Fugate, mother of Mrs. Harvey Brewer, passed away at her home, 1077 Fig street, Monday, December 3. Services were held from the residence Wednesday afternoon, December 5, Rev. J. W. Davies, associate pastor of the Winnetka Congregational church officiating. Burial was at Mount Hope.

Mrs. Burton Atwood, Mrs. Asa Cooley and Mrs. Sidney Bartlett assisted in the services with several musical selections.

Mrs. Fugate was a Winnetka resident for many years and enjoyed a wide circle of friends in the village.

Accessory Stations Get Fine Christmas Displays

The Yuletide spirit is effectively emphasized in the display windows of the

accessory departments of the Wersted garage and the Winnetka garage, located on Lincoln avenue.

Expert window trimmers were ushered into service at those places of business this week and the result of their artistic labors are some very inviting displays and suggestions for persons who want to brighten the Christmastide for the motorist.

Legion to Enjoy Music Program Tuesday Night

A special program combined with several interesting talks on civic matters is being arranged for the next meeting of the Winnetka Post of the American Legion to be held at headquarters in the Women's club building Tuesday, December 11.

The latest state bonus number in the auditor's hands is 137,000 and it is announced that at the next meeting further information will be given

in regards to the national bonus and the financial condition of the state department.

All members are urged to be at the next meeting and to bring a new member with them, and also to remember the donation for the disabled men at Great Lakes hospital.

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