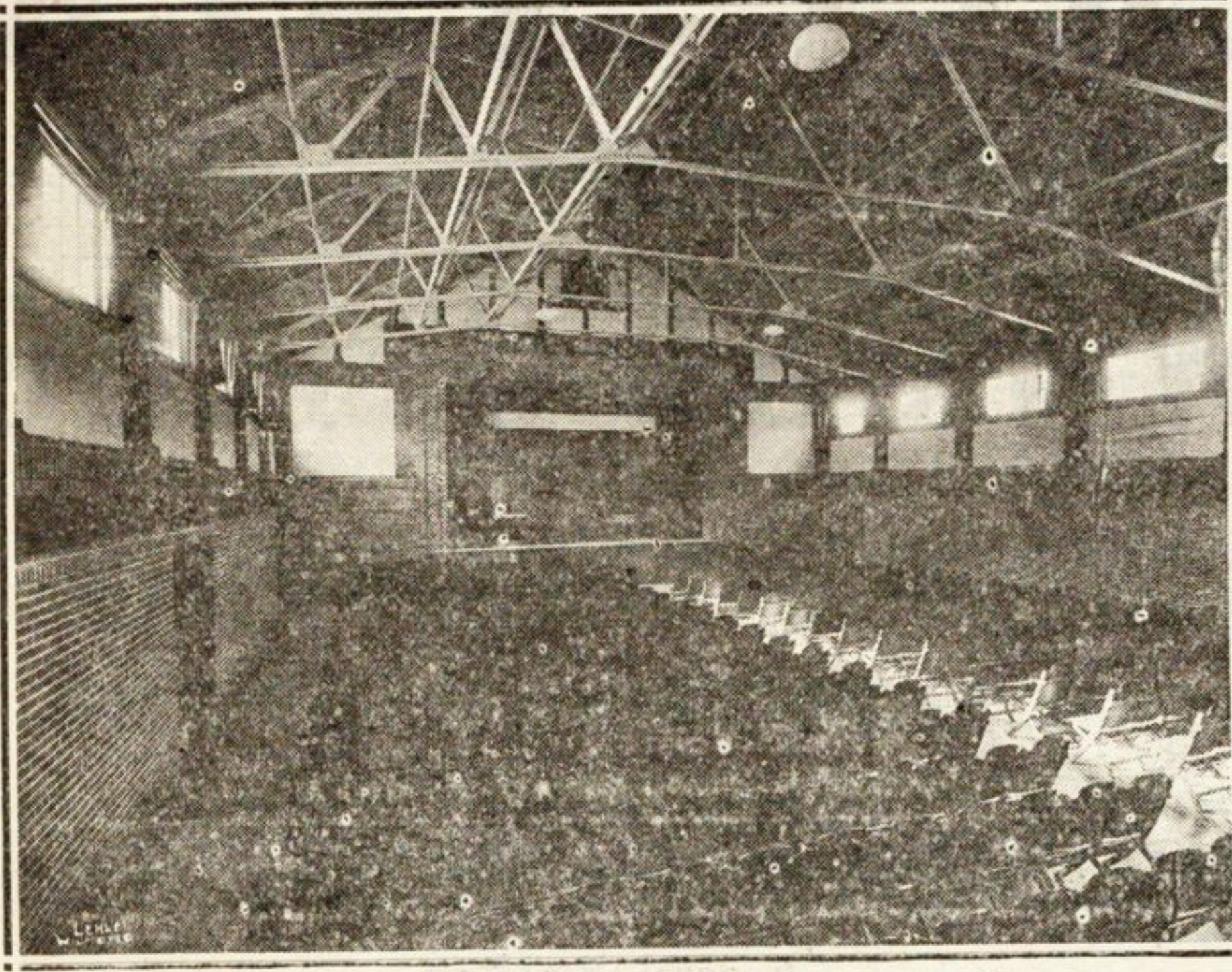


### Winnetka's Newest Auditorium



One of the most attractive features of the enlarged Community House is the spacious Center Room, which, in addition to providing Winnetka with a large auditorium, affords also the facilities for large social gatherings, dances, community drama and other enterprises. The room answers a need which has become increasingly imperative with the rapid growth of the village.

### LIFE SAVING IN RED CROSS WORK

#### Forty Thousand Members in Life Saving Service

The American Red Cross Life Saving service will celebrate its tenth anniversary, February 1.

Starting in 1914 with one member, it now has 40,000, and it is estimated that 100,000 persons throughout the United States have passed the Red Cross life saving tests.

The object of this service is:

- 1. To develop sentiment and facilities for safeguarding human life from drowning.
- 2. To teach precautions that should be observed on water, and preventive measures necessary to avoid accidents.
- 3. To prevent drowning by teaching swimming and boat-handling.
- 4. To rescue those in peril of drowning.
- 5. To resuscitate persons apparently drowned.

Up to the time of the organization of the Red Cross Life Saving Service, there had been no effort to consolidate in one national organization a country-wide program of water safety and life saving.

The Life Saving department of the Red Cross, Chicago chapter, during the year 1923, gave tests to 3,800 of whom 1,000 were accepted as members of the Red Cross life saving corps. This makes the work of one year almost equivalent to that of five previous years.

Five years ago only four camps were interested in Red Cross activities. Last year thirty-three camps made life-saving a part of the regular curriculum; and a few put in first aid work.

With the completion of the outer driveway, Chicago will have seven miles of lagoon and water front. This will make a marked increase in water sports. Preparing for this, the Chicago chapter is sending a canoe the rounds of high school and club pools, so that boys and girls will learn the limitations and the proper handling of this canoe.

Dr. H. W. Gentles, director of the life saving department, says that the growth of interest in the work is due to the swimming coaches and instructors in colleges, physical schools, "Y's" and camps. Whereas a few years ago emphasis was put on speed swimming, the youth of today learns to swim not only as a sport, but in order to be in a position to save a life. Thus swimming becomes a moral factor in a community.

### Second Talk on Child Training Next Tuesday

The second of the series of community addresses given by Prof. Norman E. Richardson, of Northwestern university on the general subject of child training, is scheduled to be held in Christ church Parish House, Tuesday evening, February 5, beginning at 8:15 o'clock.

Prof. Richardson's topic for next Tuesday will be: "The Development and Discipline of Motives."

This series of lectures, it was explained, is of a character to command the earnest consideration of every person in any way associated with the task of child development. Church and Sunday School workers, instructors in the day schools and parents are urged to avail themselves of this opportunity to hear a recognized authority discuss the important phases of child culture. The lectures are given under auspices of the vestry of Christ church in co-operation with the Winnetka Congregational church and are open to very resident of the village without charge.

## SPEAKER HITS "SPEED MANIA"

### Warns Against Mechanizing Small Children

In his address to the mid-year graduating class of the National Kindergarten and Elementary College, Dr. Louis Monin, Dean of Armour Institute, said that mankind has been likened to a group of people on a ferryboat crossing a river. Some stay on deck and enjoy life and all that is going on around them, while others sit down and read their papers and wish the time would pass more quickly. Some get across, and some cross the river. Some see the flowers, the sunshine, the green banks, but others are only anxious to reach the goal. When that goal is reached another comes in sight and they rush from one point to another, getting across. "The kindergarten philosophy," said Dr. Monin, "is endeavoring to bring to men this practical message of the wisdom of crossing the river, of taking time to live."

Dr. Monin called attention to the modern tendency to standardize things, to mechanize them. "It is necessary, perhaps, in the province of science to treat man as a mechanism, pure and simple," said he, "but to try to resolve all human life, all human activity into this mechanistic philosophy is to crush out all that is best in human life." "Here again," he pointed out, "it is the kindergarten philosophy that must help mankind to see that no person, no human being can ever be brought under a mechanical order." "The speed mania," continued Dr. Monin, "is not confined to the autoist. There is the young man who thinks he must get out and get money—and when he has reached his goal he must go after more money, and so on and on—There is the person who must have fame and then more fame. I hope you have not reached the place where you feel that the reason for attaining one goal is that you may start on faster and reach the next one. That is the real speed mania."

Let your life be so shaped that things will not be in the saddle and drive you, but you may dispose of the things and drive them. Cross the river with your ideals and vision, serenely and calmly, and let others who hurry and jostle you go ahead, and those that in the meantime you have seen at great many points that ultimately resolve themselves into the stars of life.

### High School Cagers Defeat Deerfieldians

The New Trier heavyweight cagers won their initial league game of the season with a 23-17 victory over Deerfield's five, while New Trier lightweights dropped a fast tilt to the Deerfield ponies, 28-23.

Starting out with the same team that played in the Oak Park game, the heavies piled up a 14-4 lead in the first half. Their floor work was running along so smoothly that Deerfield had a hard time stopping them. In the second half New Trier was content to hold a safe lead throughout.

"Reefy" Whitsett played a good game at forward, scoring ten points with four baskets and two free throws, while Dyer led the Deerfield shooters with the same number.

The Deerfield lights proved too fast for New Trier, the locals never being able to stop the opposition's accurate passing and shooting. New Trier had a lead of 5-4 for a short while in the first period, but Deerfield held the upper hand at the end of this quarter 9-4, and from then on never lost the lead.

### New Phone Numbers At Village Hall Offices

The phone numbers at the Winnetka Village offices have been changed with the installation of a three trunk line branch exchange switchboard.

Village office numbers are Winnetka 2196-2197 and 2198. The old numbers—54 and 860—have been removed. Departments served by those numbers include, general office, village manager, village clerk, department of public works, and the distribution department including meter shop and the village yards.

Police and fire phones remain as previously, namely, Winnetka 5 for police calls and Winnetka O for fire calls.

### Team of "Has-Beens" to Organize at Kenilworth

A team of "has-been" basketball players, made up of men who formerly played on Kenilworth school teams, was scheduled to show its old form in the Community House gymnasium last night against the heavyweight team in the night gym class. Among the "has-beens" are Jack Taylor, "Hall" Halleck, Bob White and "Cookie" Cook.

The old timers have matched a game with a Y. M. C. A. team from Evanston for next Saturday night. They plan to re-organize and form a permanent team.

## Talks About Our Winnetka Schools

By CARLETON W. WASHBURNE, Superintendent, Winnetka Public Schools.

### ART IN WINNETKA SCHOOLS

There are two functions of art as taught in the Winnetka schools. These functions are quite distinct. One is to give children an opportunity to create, a chance to express themselves. The other is to train children in the ability to distinguish between things which are appropriate and beautiful and things which are inappropriate, useless and ugly.

For the creative function in our art work we want the maximum of freedom and spontaneity. In this phase of the work every child's results should be different from the results of his fellows.

The old fashioned drawing lesson consisted of placing an object in front of the room and requiring every child to draw that object. Such a lesson performs neither of the two functions which we recognize as legitimate in art instruction. Such work is certainly not creative. Neither does it give any training in recognizing the difference between the beautiful and the ugly. There is practically no work of this type in the Winnetka schools.

#### Art Work is "Free"

In the early grades the children's art work is very free. It consists of drawing pictures to illustrate stories they have read, or drawing pictures out of their own fancy, or modeling with plasticine, making villages in the sand table, cutting out figures and pasting them on sheets of paper to make scenes, and so on through a wide variety of activities.

As the children progress in the grades some of this entirely free work in art begins to give way to the preliminary training in the distinguishing of those elements of line and color harmony which are essential to the second main function of art instruction.

#### Teach Practical Art

This second function is primarily practical. We want children to be able to select their own clothes in such a way

as to yield harmonious lines and attractive colors. We want them to be able to arrange their homes with beauty and appropriateness in every article of furniture, in the decoration of their book cases and the mantle shelves, in the setting of their tables, in the placing of pictures, and in all other things that go to make their surroundings attractive.

The training that leads up to the fulfillment of this function of art instruction consists of two parts. The first relates to color, the second to lines and spacing. There are some colors which blend into each other, others which complement one another, each bringing out the other's richness. On the other hand, there are colors which kill each other. The children must learn the basic laws of color harmony.

#### Stress Creative Phase

Proper spacing and harmonious lines are the other essential aspects of beautiful surroundings. The selection of simple and appropriate furniture, the using of harmonious draperies, the hanging of pictures in fitting places—all these things are practical.

While the two purposes of art instruction—creative work and recognition of the beautiful—are distinct, they nevertheless intertwine and overlap in the actual work in the class room. For example, in the upper grades each child has to work out an attractive arrangement for a mantle shelf. The purpose here is practical. But in the selection of ornaments that will add richness and beauty to the room, that will harmonize with the lines and colors, he uses entirely free choice. Each child's arrangement is an expression of his own personality. It is therefore an exercise of the creative function of art as well as training in the useful function. It is through the combining of these two that we hope to give to the children of Winnetka an ability to make their surroundings beautiful.

## KENILWORTH SCOUTS SEEKING A CONTEST

Kenilworth Boy Scout Troop Number one is looking for competition.

Through their scoutmaster, Bob Townley, the Kenilworth scouts this week issued a sweeping challenge for a meet with any troop on the north shore. They suggest a meet that will include all regulation Scout competitive events such as: knot tying, drilling, first aid, signalling and building a fire by friction or any other events which the scoutmasters of the competing troops may decide upon.

"We think we have a pretty good outfit here," says Townley, "with due modesty, and we'd like to stack up against some of the neighboring troops, if they are willing. We will take on all comers from Evanston to Lake Forest, bar none."

The Kenilworth scouts seem well prepared to back up their challenge. This week they are concluding a hotly-contested inter-patrol and individual contest with a keen side race to see who will be the first Eagle scout. The first class scouts who are trying for the honor are: Frank Watt, Webb Baugh, "Pep" Farley, Jack Rathbone, Bob Sweet, Harry Duhsky and Wally Marx. In the individual contest Frank Watt is leading with second and third honors split between Jack Rathbone, Webb Baugh and "Pep" Farley.

In the patrol fight there are but fourteen points difference between the highest and lowest. The winners in all the contests will be determined by the end of this week.

## New Trier Swimmers Divide with Evanston

Last Wednesday afternoon the New Trier Senior swimmers advanced one more notch toward the league title by submerging Evanston, 47-12, in the home pool, but the Juniors lost their first meet of the season, the Evanstonians conquering by a 27-23 score when they won the final event, the relay race, by a foot.

In the Senior meet Evanston was unable to cop a single first place. Hudson took individual honors with eleven points, while Davis came next with eight.

The Junior affair was a nip and tuck battle all the way. New Trier took eight points in the plunge, but Evanston tied the count in the forty-yard crawl. New Trier gained a one point lead which it held until Evanston captured the relay.

## Mrs. F. D. Lake Called By Death Last Saturday

The sudden death last Saturday of Mrs. F. D. Lake, mother of Mrs. Wallace D. Rumsey, was a great shock to the many friends she has made since she came to live with her daughter last fall. The funeral services held Monday at her late residence were conducted by Rev. Ray A. Herron of Menasha, Wisconsin, assisted by Rev. James A. Richards of Winnetka.

Mrs. Lake is survived by her husband and daughter.

## Winnetka Man to Edit Methodist Periodical

The Christian Century, Chicago, announced this week the addition to its staff of Paul Hutchinson of Winnetka as managing editor.

Mr. Hutchinson has previously been in journalistic work in China, New York, and in the publicity division of the Committee on Conservation and Advance of the Methodist Episcopal church. He assumes his duties on February 1.

The Christian Century is an interdenominational church paper and is published at 508 South Dearborn street.

Mr. Hutchinson lives at 759 Burr avenue.

## Real Estate Board May Hold Sessions in City

Members of the North Shore Real Estate board held their regular January business meeting at the Morrison hotel, Chicago, Monday noon recently, where luncheon was served.

The attendance was much larger than usual and the Board is seriously considering holding its monthly meetings at noon in Chicago instead of in the evening in Winnetka, as has been their custom.

The officers for the new year were installed. There was a discussion of important changes in the classification of members and plans for the work for 1924.

## Young People's Club to View Vaudeville Stunts

The Young People's club of St. Joseph's parish will hold a business meeting at the school hall Tuesday evening, February 5. Refreshments will be served and there will be a vaudeville entertainment.

Plans are in progress for a Valentine-Bunco party to be held Thursday evening, February 14, and arrangements have been made for a dinner on Thursday evening, February 28.

## Miss Clara Ferson Dies; Burial at St. Charles

Miss Clara Ferson of 605 Lincoln avenue, passed away Monday, January 28, after a brief illness.

Dr. J. W. F. Davies of the Congregational church conducted services at her home on Wednesday and burial was at St. Charles, Ill., on Thursday.

Miss Ferson had made her home with Mrs. H. A. Harsh during the past five years. She was a native of St. Charles.

## Firemen Take It Easy; Chief Answers a Call

After two big fires last week which demanded hours of hard work in subzero weather, the Winnetka firemen rested this week with but one small blaze to call them out.

Monday evening, a defective oil burner in a furnace at the home of Arthur Adler, 834 Lincoln avenue, threatened to produce a real fire but the flames were quickly extinguished by Chief Houren without the necessity of summoning the entire department.

## WESTERN AVENUE WORK COST WAS \$636,000

More than one thousand decorated automobiles paraded over the widened section of Western avenue, Chicago, recently to the tune of bands and the flare of fireworks in celebration of its formal opening. The triumphant procession, staged under the auspices of the Central Ravenswood Business Men's association, ended at Lawrence and Western avenues, where several thousand citizens listened to speeches by John J. Sloan, president of the board of local improvements; Ald. William P. Pontow, William Hale Thompson, and Michael Faherty.

"Western avenue has now been widened between Howard and Lawrence avenue at a cost of \$636,000, which is \$200,000 under the estimated cost," declared Ald. Pontow. "It has already been widened, in addition, between 31st and 119th streets, where it joins the Dixie highway."

"We must now get together and push the improvement of the intervening stretch between Lawrence avenue and 31st street. That would make Western avenue the greatest street in Chicago—twenty-four straight miles of perfect thoroughfare."—*Illinois Motorist, Official Publication of the Illinois Automobile Club.*

## \$700 MORE WILL GET BAND SUITS

### Contributions This Week Make It \$1,290.56

The Band fund to date: Arthur B. Seibold.....\$ 25.00 Previously acknowledged, 1,265.56 Total .....\$1,290.56

Slowly but surely the New Trier High School Band Uniform fund campaign conducted by Lloyd Hollister, Inc., is approaching the goal of \$2,000 the sum necessary to fit out the 120-piece band with attractive uniforms.

A single contribution at the time of reckoning this week brought the total to within \$9.44 of the \$1,300 mark and prospects for an early realization of the goal are bright.

An illustration of the effort put forth by the high school pupils to boost the band fund in connection with the recent benefit concerts in the school auditorium is given in the instance of Harrington Mitchell, a student, who, without aid, disposed of 112 tickets for the concerts. Richard Houren, son of the Winnetka fire chief, came second with 61 tickets.

Very few of the 600 tickets sold were purchased by students, a fact which indicates that most of the contributors were fathers, mothers and friends of the students who were interested in helping the cause of the uniform campaign.

The band needs \$700 dollars to complete its uniform fund. If you have not already contributed, do the boys and girls a good turn by mailing a check for the New Trier Band Fund to

LLOYD HOLLISTER, INC., 1222 CENTRAL AVENUE, WILMETTE, ILLINOIS.

Let's clean it up for the boys and girls!

### WHERE ROOM-WANTERS MEET ROOM-OWNERS

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