

# SAYS HOME MUST KEEP PACE IN DEVELOPMENT OF CHILD

## Mrs. Gertrude Lieber Says Children Need More Home Discipline

**I**N addressing the members of the North Shore Chapter of the Alumnae association of the National Kindergarten and Elementary college at their luncheon in the Orrington Hotel, Evanston, last Saturday, Mrs. Maurice K. Lieber of Winnetka took as her topic the "Welfare of the Children of Illinois," adding, that the time has come when the welfare of the children of one state cannot help but affect the welfare of children in every state.

"We are at present facing a very grave problem in discipline, which is typified in the growing lack of respect for authority and of deference for old age," said Mrs. Lieber. "I am wondering if the home has kept pace with the rapid progress along other lines."

### Home is Foundation

"I cannot help but feel that the home should be the foundation of child welfare anywhere," she continued, "and next to the home we must place the school and the teacher. Next to motherhood come the years when we entrust the child to teachers, and we must keep the standards of teaching high in order to have teachers who will lay the foundations as they should be laid for our children. I hope to live to see the time when we shall see that those in charge of the beginning grades shall receive just as much salary and have just as much demanded of them in the way of education and preparation as is demanded of teachers in third and fourth year high school."

Mrs. Lieber stated that she believed many of the heart-breaking things which workers in the juvenile court ran up against might be corrected in the home. "However, where the mother does not mean much the teacher must be the great moulding force in the child's life."

Mrs. Lieber repeated her statement, that we are up against a grave crisis in the matter of discipline in our young people, and added that she had been delighted with the deference, the respect, for authority and the interest in the welfare of children which she had found manifested among the students of the Kindergarten college.

### Defines Citizenship

"If you believe with me that motherhood should be first, and the teacher second, you cannot help but agree that the next thing is citizenship," continued Mrs. Lieber. "Citizenship today means more than becoming twenty-one and casting a ballot. Citizenship is the sum of those qualifications that best fits a person for his place in life—best fits people to live together. As we look out on the chaotic state of our country we must feel that teaching our boys and girls to live together should be the main thing before us. In order to do that we must have the right kind of teachers from the kindergarten on."

"We are at a crisis in education. We are at a crisis as far as living together is concerned, and unless we do realize this and the problems which are ahead of us, the next generation will suffer, because we shall not live to see the solving of these problems."

"And if you do feel that citizenship is the sum of those qualifications which best fit persons to live together," concluded Mrs. Lieber, "get back of these things,—state and national education, emigration and child labor bills—and help to lay a foundation which will help us live together."

Reservations for forty were made for the luncheon, at which president Edna Dean Baker of the National Kindergarten and Elementary college, Miss Laura Hooper, national president of the Alumnae association, and Mrs. Maurice Lieber were guests of honor. Mrs. Florence Capron, president of the North Shore chapter, gave a report on the Toy Carnival held in Evanston recently, and plans for further activities were discussed.

## Many Wellesley Alumnae Attend Midwinter Tea

**A**LARGE representation of the 112 North Shore alumnae of Wellesley attended the "Wellesley play day," Tuesday afternoon at the Fortnightly club of Chicago. The guests were Miss Edith Margaret Smail of the Wellesley faculty, who gave Canadian dramatic readings and Miss Charlotte Howard Conant, alumna trustee for six years, principal of the Walnut Hill school at Natick, Mass., who brought the latest news from the college, discussing college entrant requirements and other phases of college life.

Movies of the tree day dancing, the lake and the Wellesley girls were shown. Mrs. Hubert E. Howard and Mrs. James P. Fleming, both of Winnetka, are president and corresponding secretary, respectively, of the Chicago Wellesley club.

## Discuss Community Problems at Wilmette Club

**W**HAT do you know about garbage collection and disposal? What are our own particular problems in this matter? How can we cooperate with our village officers in this very difficult department of village administration?

All these things and more will be discussed by Mr. Samuel A. Greeley of Winnetka, member of the firm of Pearce, Greeley and Hansen, consulting engineers, at a joint meeting of the Wilmette Chapter of the American Association of Engineers and the Woman's Club of Wilmette at the clubhouse Friday, February 15, at 8 P. M. Mr. Greeley is making a survey of four north shore towns and has for years made a study of the garbage question. He is especially interested in the collection end of it, which is, of course, the one touching us most closely as housewives.

The village trustees have labored long and faithfully with the garbage problem, and are most happy to have cooperation of the Engineers and the Woman's Club in trying to find the best solution. Garbage disposal is one of the public utility services least understood by the average citizen, and one of the few that by force of circumstances are put into the hands of people not qualified by special study or training to handle it.

Mr. Greeley will be followed by Mr. Charles N. Roberts, City Engineer, who will speak on the physical aspects of the Annexation of Gross Point. By means of maps he will show the feasibility or impossibility of putting in the water, sewers and other public utilities.

The Annexation from the view point of a city planner will be given by Mr. Myron H. West, President of the American Park Builders. Mr. West has made city plans for San Antonio, Texas, Kenosha, Alliance, Ohio, Lincoln, Nebraska, Rockford, Decatur, DeKalb, Beloit, St. Augustine, Springfield, and is now engaged in plans for Jacksonville, Danville, and Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

His firm has planned and built parks, playgrounds, college campuses, resorts, subdivisions and golf courses over the entire country.

Mr. Greeley, Mr. Roberts and Mr. West will be glad to answer questions. These problems are before us, they affect us very definitely. We welcome the opportunity to hear them discussed by men who speak with authority.

## Art Institute to Hold Mardi Gras Ball Feb. 18

**T**HE students of the art institute expect to make their twenty-ninth annual Mardi gras ball at the Trianon ballroom, February 18, the most elaborate affair they have ever attempted. Dancing will begin at 9:30 o'clock and the pageant will be held at 10:30, with 800 students participating. Gorgeous costumes and colorful settings will be used in the pageant, written by Frederick Cooper, a student. It is the story of Love triumphant over Wealth, and will comprise groups representing dreams, fairy tales, mythology, and such characters as Persian fans, stars, rag dolls, a Greek frieze and bubbles. It will be a riot of color and imagination, according to the committee in charge.

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**A**MUSICAL program arranged by Mrs. William Dooley and Mrs. H. E. Mills will be a feature of the meeting of the North Shore Catholic Woman's league next Thursday afternoon, February 14, in the Winnetka Woman's clubhouse. A change in the program for the meeting on March 13 is announced. Instead of the "Home Inspiration Day" there will be an illustrated lecture given by the Chicago Plan Commission. Being of vital interest to all, members are requested to bring guests to take advantage of this splendid opportunity offered by the Commission.

### KENTUCKY CLUB

The Kentucky Club met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Arthur Turner at her residence, 917 Forest avenue, Evanston. Mrs. Harry C. Bean was the assisting hostess.

### READING ON LINCOLN

Prof. Lardner of Northwestern university will give a reading before the

Epworth league of the Wilmette Parish Methodist church Sunday evening, February 10 on the subject, "He Knew

Lincoln." The public is invited to hear this presentation which will be given in the church auditorium.



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