

LOCAL CLUBS HOLD ANNUAL MEETINGS AND ELECTIONS

Benefit Party To Raise Funds For Club's New Home

MISS EDNA SENG, 401 Lake avenue, Wilmette, is president of the Auxiliary of the Wilmette Catholic Woman's club, all the members of which are deeply interested in the welfare of the girls entrusted to the care of St. Catherine's club, a home for dependent girls at 901 Addison street, Chicago.

Mrs. Wendelin P. Seng, mother of Miss Edna Seng, is Welfare chairman of this club, which is not an institution, but a real home for dependent, not delinquent girls. Its wards, girls from eight to eighteen, are received from the Juvenile court.

They are guilty of no offense against



Miss Edna Seng

the moral or civil law, but are victims of misfortune, improper environment or neglect.

The court removes them from surroundings which threaten their moral and physical safety.

Through its court chairman, St. Catherine's club saves these girls from being mingled with the delinquent group.

St. Catherine's is an opportunity home for the less privileged child and residence therein does not attach any stigma to her young womanhood.

The club seeks to give each little girl her fundamental right to normal childhood. Physical needs are cared for first and the rudiments of hygiene taught. The children are sent to school, also receiving instruction for one hour a day in practical housekeeping; most important of all, spiritual guidance and training are provided.

The club has been approved and blessed by His Eminence, Cardinal Mundelein and has been endorsed by Judge Arnold and Judge Bartleme.

Through its efforts, in little more than three years, over two hundred and seventy-five girls have been rehabilitated, made self-supporting or placed in permanent homes.

Prevention is the watch-word of the Club. It believes that the saving of these girls at this critical period, guarding them and preparing them for normal happy young womanhood, fortifying them against the dangers they may encounter, is an excellent investment for the community as well as splendidly humanitarian work.

The club operates on the Cottage plan, which is advocated by the most eminent of the students of social problems.

Each child receives individual attention in an atmosphere of love.

The club is maintained almost entirely by voluntary gifts and membership dues. Membership is open to any one who believes that one preventorium is better than many reformatories. Ninety percent of the receipts go directly to the maintenance of the home.

St. Catherine's strives to follow through as all efficient welfare work must do.

The club offers a refuge for the girls in case of need; a place to return to for advice, direction and recreation. It has proved a magnet which draws the girls back to it at holiday time, just as any true home draws its daughters.

Because of lack of facilities the club has been able to care for only a portion of the girls who so urgently need its protection and wholesome influence.

To provide funds for a more commodious home, a card party will be held in the gymnasium of Loyola university, Saturday, April 26, at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. James McAlear, 448 Surf street, is general chairman for this affair, Mrs. Wm. Kinsella, chairman of arrangements.

The long list of patronesses contains names of women from all parts of the city.

Mrs. James R. Bremner, is the founder and president of the club. She is supported by a large and ever increasing group of earnest women.

Winnetka Club Elects Next Year's Officers

THE annual meeting and election of officers of the Winnetka Woman's club was held Thurs-

day, April 17, luncheon being served in the club parlors to 150 members. Mrs. Walling, the president, was presented with a basket of spring flowers at the luncheon, as an expression of appreciation by the club members of their president's interest and faithfulness in her duties of office.

After luncheon the meeting was called to order in the usual manner, minutes of the previous meeting being read by Mrs. Dallas.

The recommendations of the nominating committee were in order and read by Mrs. Montgomery, tellers appointed, polls opened, and ballots cast. While tellers were counting the ballots, the president called for reports of the year's work from the various chairmen, which were given in following order:

Recording secretary, Mrs. Dallas; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Snyder; treasurer, Mrs. Freeman; finance committee, Mrs. Parker; house committee, Mrs. Otis; membership committee, Miss Matz; press committee, Mrs. McCaulley; art and literature committee, Mrs. Vennema; drama study, Mrs. E. V. L. Brown; education committee, Mrs. Gottlieb; French committee, Mrs. Aldrich; civics and philanthropy, Mrs. Cushman; music committee, Mrs. Norman Harris; social committee, Mrs. Woodward.

Mrs. Goble, chairman of the revision committee, proposed two changes in the by-laws. One important change was the increase in club dues. This called for an interesting discussion from the floor. The treasurer, Mrs. Alfred G. Freeman, stated very specific and convincing reasons for this increase, and when the motion was brought to vote, it was carried by a majority.

Returns of the election were then read, the entire ticket being elected unanimously and the new president and her board for the ensuing year announced.

President, Miss Ruth H. Matz; first vice-president, Mrs. Arthur W. Cushman; second vice-president, Mrs. Heyliger A. deWindt; recording secretary, Mrs. Walter A. Strong; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Ayres Boal; treasurer, Mrs. Alfred G. Freeman; member-at-large, Mrs. George M. Pearse. Chairmen of Committee: art and literature, Mrs. George Frazer; education, Mrs. John M. Olmstead, civics and philanthropy, Mrs. Charles T. Moon; house, Mrs. William A. Otis; social, Mrs. Sherman Aldrich, music, Mrs. Norman W. Harris; finance and auditing, Mrs. Dudley K. French.

Before introducing the in-coming president, Mrs. Walling in her usual warm gracious manner, thanked her board and members of the club for their cooperation during her term of office and expressed a desire that the same spirit prevail toward the new president, Miss Matz, whom she introduced at this time.

Miss Matz in her inaugural address, expressed a sincere desire to know each member of the club and hoped that a spirit of friendliness and good fellowship would prevail throughout the membership. She then requested

her board to come forward so all present might know the officers and various chairmen that would be working with her and for the club's interest during the coming year.

A rising vote of thanks was given the retiring president for her loyal and untiring efforts in the club's behalf during her tenure of office. All business being finished, the meeting was then turned over to the program of the afternoon, the Attic Puppets, whose delightful dramatization of Dr. Dolittle was given.

Mrs. Sebastian Hinton gave a short introductory talk about the history of the Attic Puppets. They are the outcome of a desire on the part of several mothers to do this for the pleasure of their children. It was decided at the beginning that everything was to be of their own production. Rag bags were emptied in search of costumes. Discarded dolls were put to use, and so on through the various needs. Several plays have been given and many changes made. New and better puppets were made and much improvement in scenery, until the present production of "Dr. Dolittle." This was given in a very professional manner. Most descriptive music which has been composed by Mrs. Harris was played by her at this program.

An important announcement was made by Mrs. Porter for the international summer school in connection with the fourth congress of Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. This will be held in Chicago, May 17 to May 31, 1924. Headquarters for the school are at Room 1010, Fine Arts building, Michigan boulevard. All applications for registration should be directed here. These schools have always been conducted in French, German, and English, but because the delegates to the Washington congress largely speak English, the Sixth Summer school at Chicago, with several exceptions, will be conducted in one language.

The meeting adjourned at 4 o'clock with a very happy spirit lingering in the memory of the club members.

North Shore Polygon A New Organization

THE first annual meeting of the North Shore Polygon will take place on Monday, April 28, at the First Baptist Church house situated in Evanston at the northwest corner of Chicago avenue and Lake street. After the business meeting which will commence at 3:30 o'clock, tea will be served.

The North Shore Polygon is an outgrowth of Petticoat Lane, the four college benefit given with very great success at the Evanston Country club a year ago last November. The north shore clubs of Wellesley, Vassar, Wells, and Goucher are joining together to form a permanent organization for the purpose of doing some sort of Educational work for women. The alumnae of these four colleges will attend the first annual meeting to adopt the constitution and to elect officers.

Wilmette and Kenilworth Clubs Select Officers

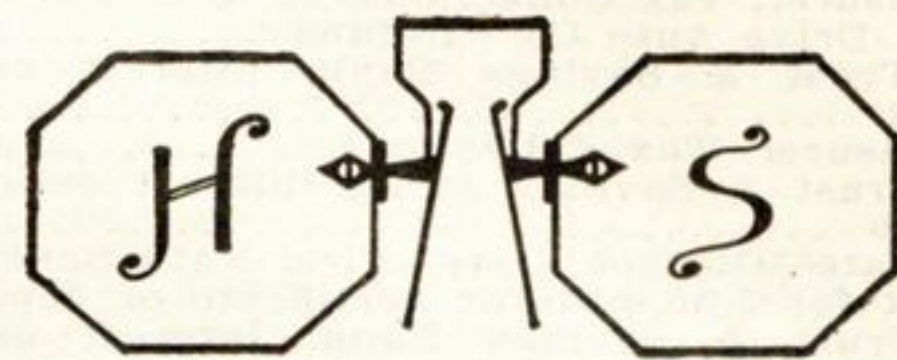
DURING this week two Wilmette clubs, the Woman's club and the Catholic Woman's club have held their annual meetings, and have elected their officers for the coming year, but the names of the new officials were not available at press time. The Wilmette Woman's club is having its annual luncheon in May, notice of which will be made in the next issue of the Life.

The Woman's club of Kenilworth,

met last week, and elected the following officers to direct the work of that organization next year: Mrs. John Howard Jones, president; Mrs. Edgar Stevens, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Charles Howard Bent, chairman of education department, and Mrs. E. H. Fleishman, chairman of the music committee.

It still remains for the Glencoe Woman's Library club to have its final meeting which will take place early in May.

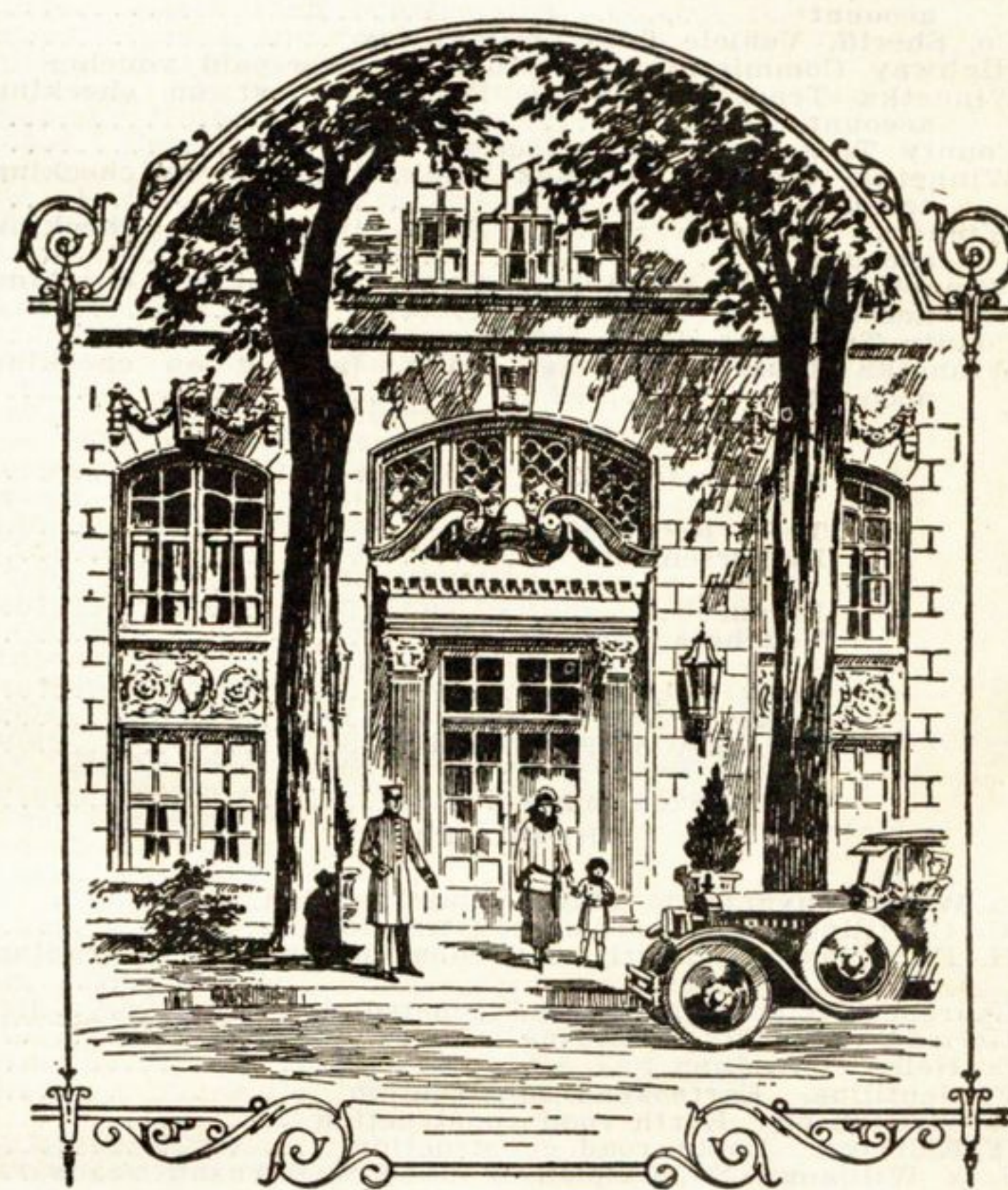
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