

MERCHANT SLAIN BY NEGRO THIEF

Wilmette Girls Near Scene of Shooting

Irene Vetterick and Frances Miller, 1223 and 1225 Central avenue, respectively, were near-eyewitnesses of a fatal shooting last Sunday evening when, while seated in a booth in a confectionery at Church street and Benson avenue, Evanston, they suddenly heard a shot and leaped up in time to see a man dash through the entrance and west on Church street. The girls fled from the building and notified the police who, a few moments later, found Nuncio Masculino, the proprietor lying dead behind a counter. The murderer was identified as a negro but had not been located late this week.

Robbery was ascribed as the probable motive of the shooting, though verification could not be secured, since there were no actual witnesses of the shooting. The girls declared that no audible word passed between Masculino and the negro before the shooting occurred.

Sometime after the fatal shooting in the Masculino confectionery, Patrolman Ernest Otto of the Evanston department was shot by a negro he discovered in hiding in the Northwestern station park at Davis street. Otto, suspecting the crouching figure was that of a drunken man, flashed his light. A gun flash was the response and Otto lay helpless, shot through the hip. The assailant, a negro, escaped.

Early Monday morning a negro brandishing a revolver, appeared in the Kenilworth garage, and commanded the car washer, who was on duty alone, to drive him to Chicago. Enroute, the car washer was none too gently advised that his companion had "just killed two guys in Evanston." At the south limits of Evanston the car washer was ordered to leave the car and the negro drove into the city.

The abandoned machine was located in the Chicago black belt on Wednesday.

Chief of Detectives Hughes assigned a large squad of men to scour the Chicago black belt for the murderer. Simultaneously, the Evanston police were making a scrutinizing search in the negro section of the neighboring suburb.

Nuncio Masculino, the murdered confectioner, was a brother of Sam and Gus Masculino who formerly operated a restaurant in Wilmette.

Patrolman Otto is in a precarious condition at the Evanston hospital.

Find Unusual Increase in School Enrollments

One hundred and fifty more pupils are attending the Winnetka public schools than were enrolled last year, according to figures given out by Superintendent C. W. Washburne. The enrollment last year was 1,350, this year it is 1,500, the largest in the history of the Winnetka school district.

In spite of the increased attendance, all the schools have been functioning smoothly during the week. The classes have had more a satisfactory start than has been the case in years, it was stated. The teachers' institute held during the week just prior to the opening of school, familiarized all the new teachers with Winnetka system, and gave the teachers of previous years an opportunity to become acquainted and to cooperate with the newcomers before the pupils returned to their classes.

All the customary activities of the schools are being arranged and plans and schedules are being made. Harry Clarke, athletic director, at the Skokie school, is preparing an intramural football schedule and will make a call for the girls' hockey teams next week.

Tryouts will be held Tuesday and Thursday of next week for yell leaders at Skokie. Three boys and three girls will be selected, after the tryouts, to act as cheer leaders for the year.

St. John's Church Calls To Services This Sunday

Services and meetings for Sunday in St. John's Lutheran church, Wilmette, have been announced as follows by the pastor, Rev. Herman W. Meyer:

9:30 o'clock Sunday school and Bible class.

9:45 o'clock first service and sermon.

11:00 o'clock second service and sermon.

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Thieves Enter Garage as Night Man Goes to Fire

While the night service man at the Wersted garage was giving sideline advice to our intrepid firemen engaged in extinguishing a blaze in the basement under the Community Pharmacy, Tuesday night, thieves entered the garage offices and lifted \$26 from the cash register.

The caretaker returned just in time to witness the hurried flight of one of the miscreants.

Suspicion is cast upon persons "close to home," as the police would say, since the manipulation of the cash register required the skill of someone who was "familiar with the mechanism."

The fire in the basement of the Community Pharmacy building started in a barrel of waste paper and it was though probable the thieves schemed the fire to clear the path for their operation in Wersted offices.

The portion of the basement in which the fire occurred is not connected with the Community Pharmacy.

Gas Company Keeps Office Open Until 9 P. M. Daily

The Winnetka store and offices of the North Shore Gas company, at 744 Elm street, will remain open every evening until 9 o'clock, it was announced at the general offices of the utility concern this week.

The lengthened office hours are established in the interest of increasing the service provided at the local offices and to accommodate people who are not in a position to transact business with the company during the daytime, it is explained.

Council Would Extend North Shore Franchise

An ordinance was introduced at the meeting of the Village council Tuesday night to extend the street railway franchise of the Chicago, North Shore and Milwaukee railroad for 60 days pending further negotiations in the track separation plan.

This ordinance will be given another reading at a special meeting of the trustees to be held Tuesday night, September 23.

"Reality" Is Subject at Christian Science Church

For September 21, the subject of the lesson-sermon of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, is "Reality." Services are held at Masonic temple, 708 Elm street, at 11 o'clock; Sunday school at 9:35 o'clock; Wednesday evening Testimonial meeting at 8 o'clock. The reading room at 746 Elm street is open daily except Sunday from noon to 5 o'clock and on Wednesday evening from 9 to 9:30 o'clock.

Read the Want-Ads

Local Children Entered In Unique Prize Contest

School children of this community have determined to give those of the rest of the United States and Canada a hard race for the honors of winning the \$15,000 prize model electric home which is the principal national award in the Better Home Lighting Activity contest.

The local electrical league, which is sponsoring the local contest under the supervision of the national Lighting Educational committee, reports increasing interest among school pupils over ten years of age. Many already have registered.

In addition to the national prizes offered by the Lighting Educational committee which range from the \$15,000 home to college scholarships and other lesser awards, the local electrical league has arranged a list of valuable local prizes which will go to the winners of the 600 word essay contest in this section. Only the sectional prize winners will be permitted to enroll in the national competition.

The purpose of the contest is to teach the children, as well as to direct attention of their parents, to the relationship between proper home lighting and good vision. The activity has the active support of the National Educational association and the Eye-sight Conservation Council of America and other allied organizations.

Cole Family Home From Lengthy Tour of the Continent

Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Cole and Miss Bernice Cole of Kenilworth returned last week from a ten weeks' trip in Europe, where they visited in England, Holland, Belgium, France, Switzerland and Italy. They returned on the English line steamship Ohio. Since their arrival in Kenilworth Mr. Cole has been called away on business at Detroit. Mr. Cole, Bernice and Hallett accompanied him, returning to the village on Sunday.

Mr. Starrett of Winnetka Heights, left Sunday to attend the University of Michigan.

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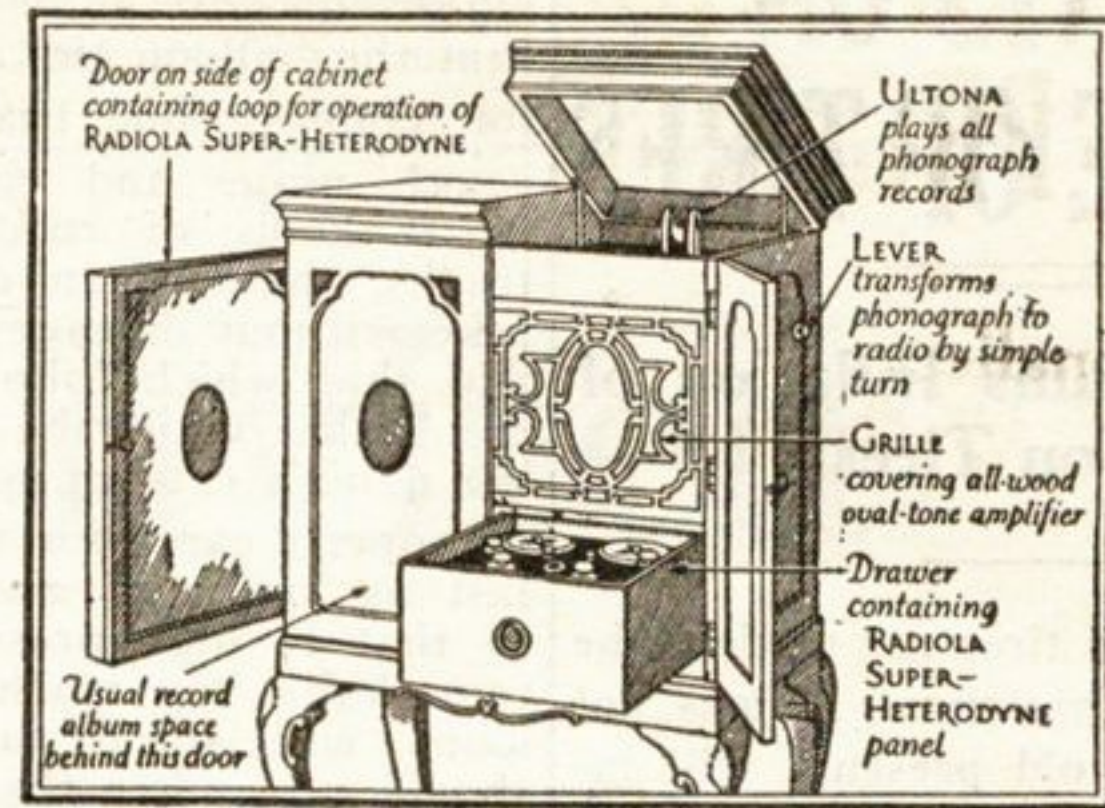
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