

CHILDREN FACE CONCERT LOSS

Regrettable Lack of Interest
Shown in Symphony
Afternoon Concerts

PLEAD WITH PARENTS

Supervisors Launch Drive
to Save Venture

Is it going to be necessary to abandon the Little Symphony afternoon children's concerts in New Trier township this season?

This is the question that has set every music lover in the four villages of the township "by the ears" this week. From an outstanding position in the entire United States, due to the heretofore great popularity of the children's music movement, the villages have slumped until now the promoters of these concerts are desperately making every endeavor to arouse parents to the danger of losing all the ground that has been made in the past three years.

Last week Mrs. Homer E. Cotton, supervisor of music at New Trier high school, addressed the Wilmette Woman's club on the absolute necessity of parent cooperation with the movement if it is to be kept alive. Last Monday she addressed the Glencoe Parent-Teacher association on the same subject. Tuesday Mrs. Stella Maher, supervisor of music of the Wilmette public schools, met with the two Parent-Teacher associations of Wilmette, who volunteered workers to canvass the parents of the children in every school room in Wilmette. Similar action is planned in other villages.

Need Parents' Help

Thus far the soliciting for the sale of afternoon tickets has devolved entirely upon the music supervisors. Without adequate assistance, they have not been able to secure even one-third the necessary number of subscribers to carry out the contract made with the Little Symphony. The contracts for both afternoon and evening concerts have always been made with the two series taken as a unit, and on the assumption that the capacity of the high school auditorium would be sold out for both series. The evening concerts have been so popular that every seat is taken again for this season. But such a great amount of talent is given at these evening concerts that there is no surplus in the treasury to support the afternoon concerts without an adequate sale of tickets. For some unknown reason, the children, left to their own initiative have not purchased. Hence the danger of losing the afternoon series entirely.

From the point of view of the music supervisors and of the officers of the New Trier Township Orchestral association, any such eventuality would be a calamity.

Since the concerts were begun, four prizes have been won in the township in the celebrated music memory contests. Moreover the interest by pupils in the school bands and orchestra has mounted greatly. What is most important—a real start has been achieved in the appreciation of fine orchestral music.

Before the supervisors started the present movement, only a small squad of pupils from the several villages went into the city to attend the children's concerts given by the Chicago Symphony orchestra. In all perhaps, there were not 250 children from the township. It was a long trip, especially hard in inclement winter weather. When the players were brought to our doors the first year it was a genuine accomplishment hailed by parents with delight. That first year 1100 children enjoyed the concerts. The price then, as now, was only \$1.50 for the season of five concerts.

There is still a good chance to save the day, if the parents in the villages will come forward and assist. But the date of the first concert scheduled for Monday afternoon, November 3, is awaited with great concern.

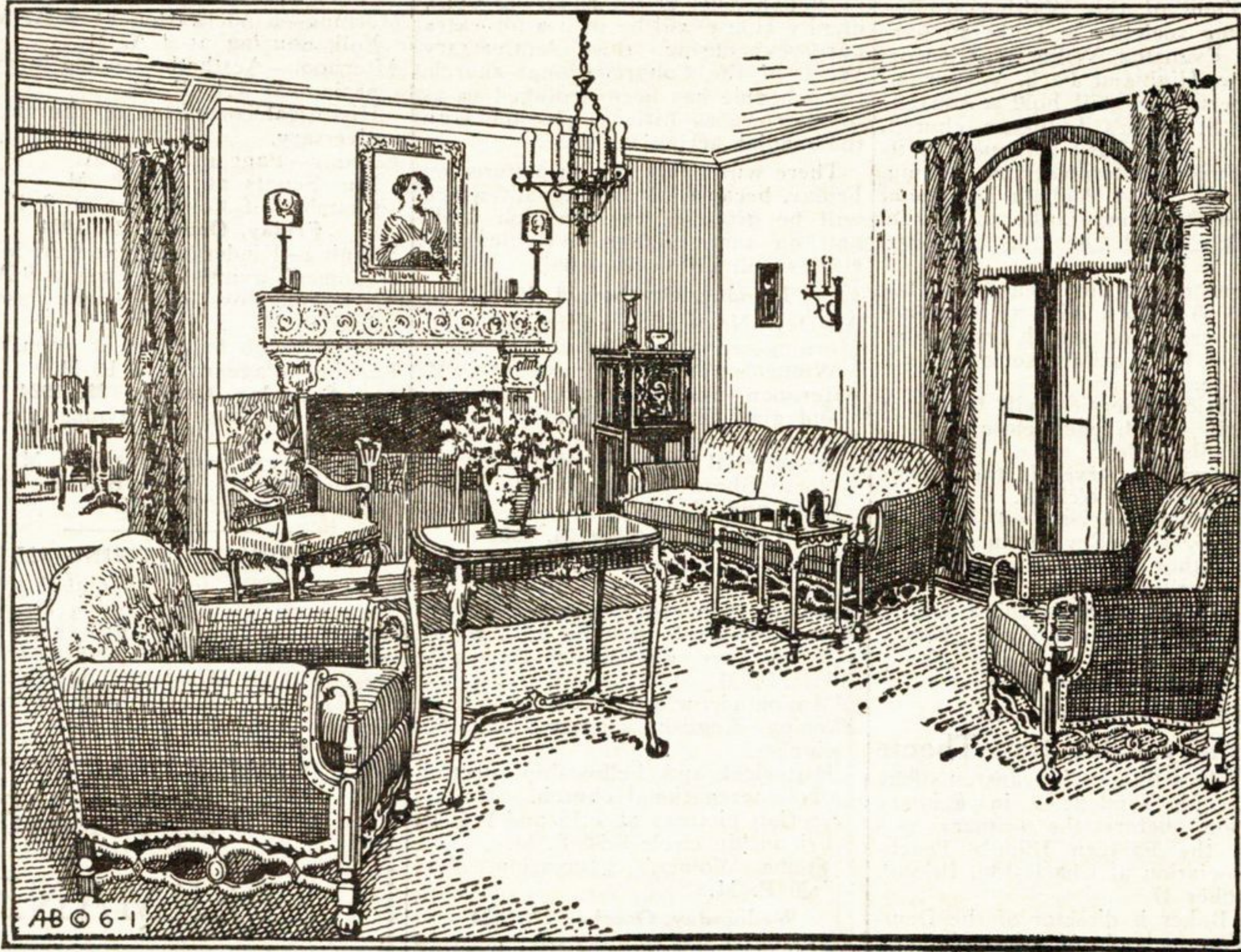
Skokie Football Men to Face Test Encounters

Football players of the Skokie school will have their first tests of the season next week. Harry Clarke, athletic director, has scheduled three games, two with teams from the North Shore Country Day school and the third between two Skokie teams.

The Skokie school teams have been placed under the direction of teachers in the school. The teams which have the Skokie name are in personal charge of Mr. Clarke.

The Skokie middleweights will meet the North Shore Country Day school middleweights Tuesday afternoon on the North Shore school field; Bailey's lightweights will line up against the North Shore Country Day school lightweights Thursday afternoon at the North Shore school grounds; the Skokie school middleweight second team will face Siple's lightweight squad Friday afternoon on the Skokie school field.

Refined Taste in the Living Room



Plenty of Comfort With Nothing Overdone

WANT HIGHWAY POLICE TO "SHOW" AUTHORITY

Announcement was made this week that the Chicago Motor club has endorsed a policy adopted by the American Automobile association, calling attention to the necessity for having all police officers and sheriffs plainly designated by uniform or badge and of warning motorists of the hazards involved in tolerating the placing of firearms in the hands of irresponsible men with authority to detain drivers for inconsequential infractions of the motor vehicle laws.

This action is said to be the result of a recent Illinois fatality which resulted from the shooting of an automobile driver who failed to stop when held up by the assistant superintendent of mails at Peoria who wore no official uniform or badge visible to the motorist.

The matter has attracted the attention of motorists throughout the country and it is believed that organized car owners will welcome the action taken by the Legislative Board of the A. A. A. in seeking the cooperation of motor vehicle departments in forestalling similar fatalities.

The motorist in the case referred to gave every evidence of having presumed that he was being held up by a highwayman when the postal official overstepped his authority by shooting at the tires when the driver failed to stop. "Every sane motorist wants law enforcement," declares Charles M. Hayes, president of the club, "but such enforcement must be above board to be effective—and safe. We cannot afford to tolerate unsafe law enforcement at this stage of motoring, and the 'special' officer must be shown that he cannot get away with manslaughter under guise of the law."

GARAGES TAKE LEAD IN BUILDING GRANTS

More than half of the 19 building permits issued at the Winnetka Village hall during the past week, were for garages. The list includes two dwellings and several alterations and additions.

Ralph M. Gately will build a frame dwelling and garage at 433 Willow street for \$17,000; Mary Thorsen, frame residence, 903 Willow street, \$2,500; Mrs. M. S. Voltz, brick addition to apartment building, 814 Elm street, \$5,000; Arthur Barrett, alteration to residence, 530 Cherry street, \$4,000; Mrs. Victor L. Cunningham, frame porch addition, 710 Linden avenue, \$1,800; A. S. Webbe, alteration to frame residence, 1171 Oakley street, \$1,500.

Other permits granted were to Carlton Prouty to build a brick garage at 564 Arbor Vitae for \$800; A. G. Maynard, brick garage, 1039 Pine street, \$800; Mrs. Mary Coure, enclosed porch, 989 Spruce street, \$800; Herman Anderson, addition to residence, 926 Ash street, \$500; Hugo Layer, enclosed porch, 436 Linden street, \$400; R. H. Schell, frame garage, 887 Elm street, \$400; Nelson Brothers, frame garage, 806 Elm street, \$400; C. R. Small, stucco garage addition, 42 Abbottsford road, \$300; Albert G. Kieson, frame garage, 839 Ash street, \$300; C. C. Kidd, frame garage, 1005 Fig street, \$300; Ralph Renwick, frame garage, 1457 Asbury avenue, \$200; Joseph Domenick, frame porch, 1443 Asbury avenue, \$200; P. J. Benz, frame addition to garage, 876 Pine street, \$100.

DEATHS FROM DIABETES HIGH

Jump 400 Percent Within Twenty Years

Fat folks and the lovers of ease and luxury have been heard from again. This time it is a warning from their old enemy diabetes. During the past 20 years diabetes has jumped from twenty-fifth to eleventh place among the important causes of mortality in Illinois. The number of deaths from this disease increased 400 percent in the state while the mortality rate per 100,000 people rose 300 per cent. The cause of this phenomenon lies chiefly in too much food with too little exercise on the part of the adult, according to Dr. Isaac D. Rawlings, state health commissioner.

"Diabetes killed 342 people in Illinois in 1902; last year it killed 1366," said Dr. Rawlings.

"The rise in mortality from this cause is phenomenal. It has resulted from over-eating and underworking, from the standpoint of muscular effort. Too many miles on wheels with too few on foot and too many square meals per day with too little sweating of the brow has caused nature to rebel and nature has manifested herself in the form of diabetes.

"Twenty years ago when old dobbin was still in favor, when money was relatively scarce, when a fellow did not feel he was cursed by fate if he had to walk to work and the housewife felt that the family wash was a righteous part of her weekly duty, diabetes was almost insignificant as a cause of mortality, accounting for fewer deaths than either typhoid fever, whooping cough, scarlet fever, diphtheria or any of a long list of others. Now diabetes outranks all of these and bids fair to go still higher unless people mend their ways.

"Diabetes is more fatal to fat folks than to thin; it kills more city people than rural, more women than men and more people over 40 than younger. Jews suffer worse than gentiles while negroes escape better than whites. These things are explained by the fact that obese people usually eat considerably more than necessary and take too little exercise, city life is conducive to luxury and ease and women find more time to avoid exercise and put on superfluous flesh than do men. Jews have always been the merchants of the world while negroes have always found it necessary to do more manual labor, as a race, than the white.

"Insulin gave many people the hope of an easy way out but that drug is not used in treating diabetes without a strict dietary schedule while it has no place whatever in the preventing of the disease. A well balanced, reasonable diet with more sweat and less gas will go a long way toward preventing more ills than diabetes and it is about the only program that gives promise of checking that disease."

A rummage sale will take place Thursday and Friday, October 23 and 24, at the Economy shop on Greenleaf avenue, near the Wilmette avenue station of the North Shore electric road. The sale will be given by the North End circle of the Wilmette Congregational church.

NOTED PIANIST WILL HELP CAMP VENTURE

"Help the children who most need help."

This is the slogan of the Alpha Gamma Delta sorority of Northwestern university, seeking to raise funds for undernourished children between the ages of three and ten, gathered from all parts of the country for their summer camp at Crispell Lake, near Jackson, Mich. Over 1000 little ones have been cared for by the sorority in the past five years and some of them were given their first glimpse of country life.

Ossip Gabrilowitsch, famed Russian pianist, will devote his first performance in Chicago this season in the aid of this philanthropic project sponsored by this group of girls at Northwestern at a benefit concert at Orchestra hall, Tuesday evening, October 21. Miss Ann Burmeister, soloist soprano of the Fourth Presbyterian church, and Frederick Schauwecker, her accompanist, are scheduled on the program.

Among the young women who are working hard for the success of this event are Miss Helen Hartsook, president of the active chapter of the Alpha Delta sorority; Miss Helen Heggie, vice-president; Miss Evelyn Ewert, president of the alumni chapter; Miss Katharyn Wilson, junior delegate of the A. G. D. to Pan Hellenic council; Miss Marie Dostal, historian; Miss Florence Hook, Eleanor Rice, Mildred Tell, Elsie Goodman, Viola Michel and Mrs. Ruth Vieler.

Mrs. Orval Simpson, 932 Tower road, Hubbard Woods, heads the finance committee, with Miss Katherine Wilson and Miss Lucile Ridgeway of Evanston as associates.

"ENCHANTED COTTAGE" NEXT COMMUNITY FILM

Tuesday, October 21, Richard Barthelmess comes to Community House in a picturization of Arthur Wing Pinero's "The Enchanted Cottage." Of this picture The Educational Screen, a magazine devoted to the new influence in education, says,

"There is a charm about the spoken or written word that is frequently too elusive to be caught by the camera, and in its efforts to make things clear, too often the screen makes them merely clumsy. There was danger of such a result in filming this whimsy of Pinero's, but the direction of John S. Robertson, and the understanding portrayals of May McAvoy and Richard Barthelmess have in a large measure preserved its delicacy. It is only the story of two homely people, who because they loved each other, became beautiful in each other's sight, and in spite of literal-minded folk who scoffed at them, accepted this inward sight as an outward miracle, and so were happy."

Next Thursday and Friday evenings "Soul Of Man," a pageant commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the Winnetka Congregational church will be presented at 8 o'clock with no admission charge. This program will replace the usual showing of pictures.

Announcement is made of the marriage of Mrs. Mary Dennick and A. Vickery on Saturday evening, October 11, at the bride's home, 759 Center street.

SEE IMPORTANCE IN BACKGROUNDS

Coloring of Walls Brings
Out Beauty

PICTURES DECORATE

Find Pictures are often a
Desecration in Home

By GAYNE T. K. NORTON

The number of homes in which pictures are desecrations rather than decorations is alarming. Many people seem to regard pictures, like gilt chairs, as necessary details to make an interior complete. In the blind following of precedent the true function of pictures has become obscured; and the atrocious use made of them in our homes is a slur on good taste and culture. It is not that we do not know better. We simply have not stopped to think. Haste is our watchword and pictures along with many other things have suffered in the speed with which life is lived.

Imagine, if you will, an excellent copy of the head of Christ, the masterpiece by Leonardo da Vinci, a copy of Rembrandt's girl at a window or a copy of the charming portrait of Lady Mary Ruthven, by Van Dyke, hanging in an ornate, though dingy gilded frame against a wall covered with bold multicolored paper! Imagine the etching of his mother by Whistler, or a delicate Watteau landscape against a geometrical design or bouquets of conventionalized flowers or fruits. Imagine one of Remington's store American Indians or one of his mounted cow punchers in desert setting hung midst a blazon of classic Greek scenery. Again, visualize one of Richard's lonely sea views superimposed on an arabesque of swastikas and other esoteric symbols.

Walls Accentuate Pictures

The inappropriateness of such use of pictures is obvious. Yet in almost any living room we enter we will see pictures displayed in some such manner. Not so in art museums or in private collections. In such places we find simple, dignified painted walls, finished without gloss in colors which do not in any way detract from the interest of detail or beauty of coloring of the pictures hung.

Pictures or other works of art are used as decorations because of their beauty. If they are to serve this function they must be displayed against a suitable background. If the wall is covered with pattern or brilliant colors or both, it takes attention from the picture, each one of which should be a focal point. When pictures have to battle with a wall for attention, it is better to change the wall or remove the pictures. Otherwise we lay ourselves open to criticism and exhibit poor taste to a marked degree.

This does not mean that a use of pictures in home decoration necessitates flat uninteresting walls of gray or cream. While a plain wall, done in a sanitary washable flat wall paint is always in good taste, a fact clearly shown by the very general use of such finishes in our finest homes, it may be embellished with panels or simple stencil designs. An enameled chair rail and simple cornice may be used to add interest if such addition seems necessary. Or again, a finely done two-tone effect rendered in different tints of the same color may be used. And of course one is not limited to use of gray or ivory or cream. Any favored hue is quite all right so long as the dominating color note in rugs, hangings and pictures harmonize with it.

No Let up Here in War Against Speed Gentry

Although Chief of Police Morgan Collins of Chicago made the statement that the enforcement of the traffic regulations campaign there had been a failure, Chief W. M. Peterson and his local motorcycle squad are not easing up one mite in their campaign against speeders and automobile regulation violators in Winnetka. Both Magistrate C. T. Northrop and Justice B. M. Nelson are cooperating with the police department by levying heavy fines upon offenders.

Those fined for violation of the automobile laws during the past week were Otto Schultz, Glencoe, \$20 and costs for speeding; C. Fousing, Chicago, \$15 and costs, speeding; Joseph Meyers, Evanston, \$20 and costs, speeding; Jesse R. Gathercoal, Jr., Wilmette, \$5 and costs, wrong license; Elmer Murphy, \$5 and costs, no village license; John Schmidt, Chicago, \$5 and costs, speeding; David Pearson, Chicago, wrong license, \$10 and costs; R. W. Keyes, Evanston, \$5 and costs, speeding; H. S. Schwart, \$15 and costs, speeding; Wilbert Lowry, Evanston, \$5 and costs, no state license; Frank Haeger, Glencoe, \$15 and costs, speeding.

OPENS STENOGRAPHY OFFICE

Miss Teresa Nelson Traft has opened an office at Room 3, Prouty building, 746 Elm street, where she will do public stenography work, and mimeographing.