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BIG CLEAN-UP FOR HUBBARD WOODS

STATION ENVIRONS TO BE BEAUTIFIED

Improvement Association Outlines Program as Citizens Rally to Call for Contributions and Help; Hold Meeting Friday, March 20

If you have doubted the early approach of spring just wander up to Hubbard Woods—if you are not fortunate enough to be a resident of that vicinity—and, stopping in at the Carlson or Snider-Cazel drug stores, scan those large blue prints, the heralding signs of what Hubbard Woods, the neighborhood that, in the words of leading citizens there, is “not just for Winnetka, nor Glencoe, but for both” is about to do to make itself one of the true garden spots of the north shore.

Things are humming up that way! Some time ago the board of directors of the Hubbard Woods Improvement association, Stanley P. Farwell, president, decided that it was about time to make the approaches to the homes of that neighborhood not merely worthwhile looking at, but astonishingly and marvelously beautiful.

Plan Paradise on Earth

And it's not mere chatter—not by several jugfuls—for Hubbard Woods, through its Improvement association, is about to set out upon the most ambitious spring cleaning program ever heard tell of in these parts. And when they get through with the job, the vicinity of the Hubbard Woods railway stations will have been transformed into a veritable earthly paradise.

Present plans call for wholesale landscaping, plentiful planting of shrubs and trees, generous sowing of tons of grass seed, and a copious application of honest-to-goodness paint.

The association is literally flooding the homes with circulars, letters and all manner of publicity in the interest of imbuing every man, woman and child in the community with a sense of pride and enthusiasm in the job at hand, namely, the beautification of the Hubbard Woods commercial area. Every household is invited to contribute in money, black dirt, cinders, paint, seeds, shrubs, saplings, bulbs or other items that, ensemble, contribute to rendering attractive that which is drab and unsightly.

Folder Tells Story

Standing out among these invitations to join in the good work is a four-page folder comprising a pertinent letter over the signatures of the Parks and Landscape committee of the association—Orval Simpson, Ralph Batten, Roy West, Fred J. Hagen and William Merriman—a double-page reproduction of a landscape drawing of the proposed transformation of the Hubbard Woods Station Park area, and a long list of suggestions and appeals for suggestions regarding the projected improvement. It is what our friends of the theater would label a “Wow” of a program, and Hubbard Woods is determined to put it through without undue delay and while spring is in the air.

Just to start matters off in proper style the association has arranged its annual meeting for Friday evening, March 20, at 8 o'clock, and at the Hubbard Woods school, where no less a personage than Prof. William L. Bailey, the man who recently declared Winnetka to be the ideal suburban community of the United States, will be the principal speaker, and Mrs. Asa B. Cooley, well known local artist, will favor with several vocal selections. Prof. Bailey's subject will be, “The Making of an Ideal American Community.”

Community Expert

Professor Bailey is head of the department of sociology at Northwestern and a recognized expert on community life, whether it be urban, suburban or (Continued on page 4)

CAUCUS BRINGS VERBAL BATTLE

Park Board is Stormy Petrel as Foes Decry Purchase of Skokie Tract

RESOLUTION IS ISSUE

Body Endorses Nominees for Village Offices

In the course of a short but heated session of the annual Village caucus, held at the Community House Wednesday evening of this week, resolutions endorsing the policies of the present village administration and a ticket composed of the present officers as its choice for the election to be held in April, were adopted. The only change made was the substitution of Mrs. Carrie B. Prouty for Roswell Mason, retiring Library trustee.

At the close of the meeting the petition to nominate the village officers for reelection with the exception of the Park Commissioners, was signed by those present. The present Park Commissioners were endorsed by the caucus however.

Fight on 8th Article

The amendment to the resolution, which caused some spirited arguments on both sides of the question, was the eighth article, about which all the village is talking since the caucus.

Seemingly there is nothing in it to call forth much opposition or discussion, but actually it is the crux of the whole political situation in Winnetka. It reads as follows:

“8. This caucus endorses the present Park Board and approves its program for extension of the park system along the western boundaries of the village.”

Seemingly harmless, a mere matter of form, it is in fact the rock on which two factions in the village split. Those who want more parks wished to include it in the resolution. Those who don't want them wished to have it removed from the resolution before it was passed by the caucus.

Motion Is Tabled

The opposition, which formed only a small group in comparison with the others, was led by Robert F. Kolb, 224 Ridge avenue. Mr. Kolb moved that the eighth article be stricken out of the resolution, but his motion was tabled and the resolution passed with the amendment in it.

Mr. Kolb represented a faction which has consistently opposed the acquisition by the Park district of a large tract of land in the Skokie for park purposes. He declared that the citizens opposed to the procedure had never been given a fair opportunity to be heard in the matter, even though the majority of them were property owners who would be seriously affected in the cost of the acquisition.

District Voted Purchase

The Park district several months ago voted to purchase the tract in the Skokie after several public hearings in the matter had been held and the citizens' views obtained.

Those on the ticket endorsed by the caucus are John S. Miller, for president; John D. Pierce, H. L. Raclin, and Walter Strong for village trustees; Wil-

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YOUR TAXES

The tax office in the Winnetka State Bank building will be open through next week, according to township collector Sanborn Hale.

Property owners in the township who have not as yet received their tax bills may secure them by application at the Winnetka State Bank. They should bring with them the description of their property.

The Winnetka State Bank is located on Elm street, near Lincoln avenue, Winnetka.

Movie Aspirants, Bound for Fame, But Cops Demur

Hollywood, Cal., isn't very close to Kenosha, Wis., and it isn't much closer to Winnetka. But Virginia Rockfist, 19 years old, and Mary Slivon, 20 years old, both of Kenosha, felt quite satisfied with their day's progress toward the Mecca of the film folk when they arrived in our village late Wednesday evening.

They were on their way to become movie actresses, they told Patrolman Edward Cummings, who found them asleep on the benches in the ladies rest room of the Chicago and North Western railroad station. Ed felt a bit bashful about entering their boudoir, as they had removed their shoes and hats and otherwise made themselves comfortable for the night, but duty is duty, and he was forced to roust them out and take them to the police station. The railroad station is no lodging house, he was forced to contend.

As the police could not comprehend how the girls could get to Hollywood on 75 cents, a powder-puff and a lipstick, they communicated with the Kenosha authorities, and the two fair travelers were shipped back to their native town on the last North Shore line electric train of the evening. The Kenosha police promised to greet them upon arrival with a brass band and a reception committee.

MEASLES RUN RAMPANT HERE

One Case of Carelessness Causes Epidemic

Just as Health Officer Dr. C. O. Schneider and his associates in the village offices were rejoicing over the excellent health of our community during the month of February—when there were but 17 cases of contagion in one of the most dangerous months of the year—there came a crash of their hopes for a healthful spring when an act of criminal carelessness spread some 40 cases of measles over the village.

There were just two cases of measles in Winnetka in February. One case was properly quarantined and cared for. The other was permitted, in its early stages, to run rampant in the Hubbard Woods school section, with the result that wholesale contacts were made and, at last reports, 40 well-developed cases in 35 families reported to the health board.

This epidemic is definitely traced to one of the February measles cases. A small child, suffering with a severe cold and having all the early symptoms of measles was not only permitted to attend school, but, according to Dr. Schneider, actually taken to school by its father who assured the teacher the youngster was quite well and need not miss classes.

“From the case we now have 40 cases of measles and, with such a start, the contagion must run its course with all the children in the 35 families, and possibly others, exposed to the ailment. It cannot be too strongly emphasized in this connection that children suffering even the slightest touch of cold must be kept at home and, by all means, not permitted to attend school sessions. The source of the current epidemic is an instance of sheer neglect and indicates an absolute disregard for the health of the community. It is positively criminal.”

Work on New Lighting System Well Advanced

Work on the new ornamental lighting system in the Elm street business section is progressing rapidly with the arrival of favorable weather.

Most of the standards have been distributed and many of them have been set up in place. Workmen are now engaged in laying the conduits.

H. L. Woolhiser, village manager, stated this week that the work would be completed in three weeks.

NEXT WEEK IN WINNETKA

(As recorded in the office of Community House)

Monday, March 16

Afternoon—North Shore Catholic Woman's league at Winnetka Woman's club.

Evening—Indian Hill Improvement association, New Trier high school.

Tuesday, March 17

Evening—Winnetka Choral society concert, Winnetka Woman's club.

Wednesday, March 18

All Day meeting Woman's society Congregational church.

Thursday, March 19

Winnetka Woman's club meeting at Club House. Civics and Philanthropy committee and League of Women Voters.

Friday, March 20

Noon—Rotary club luncheon—Community House Evening; “Wizard of Oz”—Play at Skokie. North Shore Congregation—Hubbard Woods school.

Saturday, March 21

Evening—“Wizard of Oz,” at Skokie.

Show Radio Pictures to Sunday Evening Club

The Winnetka Sunday Evening club enjoyed a rare treat last Sunday, when Mrs. Frances Murray, supervisor of dramatics at the Skokie school, read Oliphant's play, “The Maker of Dreams.” It is a charming little fantasy, full of poetry and whimsical humor, and Mrs. Murray's rendition of it left nothing to be desired.

The club's next program will be in striking contrast. Walter Niemann has kindly consented to show two films depicting some interesting new developments in radio, and will also give an explanatory lecture.

Supper will be served in the Camp Fire Girls' room of Community House at 6:30 o'clock.

Will Amend Zoning Law to Meet New Decision

Following the decision of the State Supreme court at Aurora about a month ago that, if in a zoned district there is one building which is not of the class for which the district is zoned, other buildings of a similar type cannot be kept out, the Board of Appeals and the Village council are considering amendments to the zoning ordinance which will make it conform with the new decision.

H. L. Woolhiser, village manager, pointed out, however, that this decision does not affect the basic principles of the law, but simply its application to certain districts.

PRESENT PLAY TONIGHT

The senior class at the North Shore Country Day school will present Arnold Bennett's four-act play, “What the Public Wants,” this evening in the auditorium of the school. A large attendance of residents is anticipated for this performance.

Homeless?

If you're without a home, why not ask Schaefer about these two advertised below?

FOR SALE—BUNGALOW, hot water heat, 2 acres of ground, 3 car garage, chicken house, fruit trees. Terms. \$14,500.

FOR SALE—8 ROOM frame house, furnace heat, garage, Lot 50x177. Bargain. \$8,500. J. H. SCHAEFER & CO., Ridge and Lake Aves. Phone Wilmette 364.

YOU CAN ALWAYS find a home IN OUR WANT ADS

WANT AD DEAD LINE THURSDAY NOON



Change Polling Place in Election District 9

Voters in Election District No. 9 are informed by election officials that the polling place in the district has been changed from the Masonic temple at 708 Elm street, to the Parr and Powell Electric Shop at 748 Elm street. This change is effective at the Village election on April 7, next.

District No. 9 is bounded as follows: beginning at the shore of Lake Michigan and the center line of Elm street; thence west along the center line of Elm street to the Chicago and North Western railroad; thence southwesterly along the Chicago and North Western railroad to the center line of Willow street; thence east along the center line of Willow street to the shore line of Lake Michigan; thence north along the shore line of Lake Michigan to the center line of Elm street.

RADIO FANS!

Don't overlook the big program to be given by the foremost Chicago Radio stars Monday evening, March 16, at the Jane Kuppenheimer Memorial hall, Skokie school. It is under auspices of the Winnetka Temple association. You'll have an opportunity to hear request numbers. Twenty-five stars will be on the job to provide a bang-up time. You can't tune in to hear this program. You'll have to be there. See story on Page 19 of this issue.