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TWO TICKETS IN VILLAGE BALLOT FIELD

RELIEF AND AID ISSUES REPORT

Booklets Tell of Splendid Welfare Work Conducted in the Community

DOES NOT TELL ALL

Human Element Eliminated from Cold Facts

The annual report of the Winnetka Relief and Aid society, one of the oldest organizations in the village, has recently been placed in the hands of the residents in attractive booklet form and its contents are attracting communitywide interest.

The society came into being in 1890 under the leadership of two generous and public spirited men, R. S. Moth and James A. Hunt, who saw the need in one or two families for assistance over the rough places in life.

Soon the demands became greater than the two men could handle and, in 1893, a society was organized on a more businesslike basis and given the name, Winnetka Relief and Aid society. Its first president was Charles Weeks and on its board of directors appeared the names of a number of men and but two or three women.

Women Take Charge
This association, after a few years, possibly for lack of cases, or more likely because the men had insufficient time for the work, seemed to become less active until, in 1908, it was found necessary to revamp the organization and put it on a still more systematic operating basis. A general reorganization was effected, the name retained, and Mrs. Ira Couch Wood made president.

There has been no let-up in the work of the society since that date but, on the contrary, the activities and scope of the enterprise have increased, year by year, as the village expanded and its population increased.

And, yet, it is not uncommon to hear persons remark: "Why a Winnetka Relief and Aid Society? Surely, there is no need for charity in our community. It cannot be possible that there are poor and needy families in Winnetka."

Need is Continuous
If they could only know a few of the problems that the board of the society must solve, these doubtful ones would soon be disillusioned. If they but realized what a splendid work is being done every year—constantly throughout the year—and how numbers of people are helped through times of sickness, poverty and other distressing circumstances, they would have cause to change their views.

The society can cite numbers of concrete examples of help that has come to villagers just in time to avoid destitution. It nurses the sick and keeps the wolf away from the door, when the clouds of misfortune gather about the households.

Winnetka's poor people are generally not the kind who wish their poverty to be exploited and the society is very careful not to make public the help which has been given. This assistance is often temporary and funds advanced

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MILLER TO ADDRESS C. OF C. MEETING

Village President John S. Miller, Jr., will address the meeting to be held by the Winnetka Chamber of Commerce Monday evening, March 23, at Community House. The meeting was originally scheduled for March 12, but, because the Community House was not available on that date, it was postponed until the later time.

Mr. Miller will talk on village affairs, which will prove especially interesting to the business men. George Park will then give a report on the Illinois Products Exposition, after which there will be an entertainment.

The Chamber of Commerce has been considering a proposal to take a booth at the Exposition, and a committee was appointed at the meeting of February 18 to investigate the possibilities and to confer with other village organizations in regard to the matter. The results of this committee's work will be made public Monday evening.

RADIO STARS IN RETURN EVENT

Aggregation to Appear at High School

Jubilant over the complete success of their program at Jane Kuppenheimer Memorial hall, Winnetka, last Monday, the Chicago Radio Stars are eagerly awaiting the gong that will sound the return engagement at New Trier high school auditorium Monday evening, March 23.

Frint George, the north shore's own impresario and entertainment-manufacturer de luxe, brought out the artists of the air to Winnetka this week in a benefit performance for the Winnetka Temple association. They played to a packed house and exceeded in every respect the anticipations of local radio fans.

This Monday a group of some 25 stars will appear at New Trier under auspices of the Radio club of the school, thus affording those fans who were unable to attend last Monday's activities to get in on the repeat performance.

In calling it a repeat performance one is hitting a bit wide of the mark, for Mr. George promises to have some changes in talent to vary the program. For instance, he is to bring along the famous four Cambridge Sisters and several other acts which did not appear on the bill at Kuppenheimer hall. This new array will include the Three Musketeers, perpetrators of harmony and patter, who also carry along a most amazingly interesting one-string fiddle.

If you missed the March 16 performance of the Radio stars, there will still be a chance to see them this Monday. The affair will boost the funds of the Radio club which is interested in promoting an interest in all branches of radio activity among the students at the high school. The club is just getting on its feet and needs plenty of help.

Included on Monday's bill will be such well known artists as Jerry Sullivan, announcer at WQJ; Harry Geise, original How-do-you-do man; Axel Christensen, pianist and impersonator extraordinary; Grace Wilson, contralto, of WLS; the Langdon Brothers of WEBH; Clyde Hagar, street fakir impersonator and monologist; the Three Musketeers; the Four Cambridge Sisters, and the Emanon Eight, syncopators, as well as other notable stars of the microphone.

This is not a radio program, but an actual variety show given by radio stars in person.

Little Theatre Actors to Give Play in Dallas

Mrs. R. E. L. Knight of Dallas, Texas was a recent visitor in Winnetka. Mrs. Knight will be remembered as "Isobel" by those who saw the North Shore Theatre Guild production of "The Truth About Blayds" a few years ago.

As president of the Dallas Little Theatre Mrs. Knight has been making a most unique tour of the country selecting representatives from various Little Theatres in America to play in "Outward Bound," which will be given at Dallas in April.

Delegates from Pasadena, Cleveland, Chapel Hill, N. C., Washington, D. C., St. Louis and New Orleans, will present the play. Each actor is to have his part memorized before going to Dallas and the play will then be staged after one week of intensive rehearsal.

J. Williams Macy will represent the North Shore Theatre Guild in this "All-star American" production and will play the same part that he is playing in the production here on March 28 and 30.

Blaze Threatens Flat at 566 Center Street

George Parks and his family were routed from their apartment at 566 Center street early Thursday morning when an overheated chimney set fire to woodwork in the attic. An oil-burner salesroom on the first floor of the building had left a furnace burning and the high wind was thought to have caused too heavy a draft, overheating the chimney. The fire was extinguished with a loss of about \$200.

Help Tornado Sufferers!

In response to an urgent request from State Commander Howard P. Savage of the American Legion for prompt relief for the stricken communities in southern Illinois and Indiana, where, on Wednesday, entire cities were devastated and hundreds of people killed by a terrific tornado, Winnetka Post of the war veterans' organization immediately contributed \$25.

Augmenting the post contribution, Commander Thomas J. Lynch added a personal donation of \$10 and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ilg also responded with a check for \$10.

Since the time is brief and the need immediate, the Winnetka Post, in cooperation with WINNETKA TALK, issues a call to all residents of the village to contribute in this emergency. Checks, made out to "Tornado Relief" may be directed to WINNETKA TALK, from whence the contributions will be forwarded to the American Red Cross.

Residents need not be urged to act promptly in this enterprise of mercy.

VERSE WINS HER \$10 BEST AD TEST AWARD

The M. L. Adams' Barber shop advertisement in last week's issue of WINNETKA TALK brought enthusiastic approval from many of the Best Ad Contest participants. To Mrs. Fred Albrecht, 760 Hibbard road, went the \$10 award for writing the best explanation of why Mr. Adams' announcement was the best in that issue.

Mrs. Albrecht summoned her muse and proceeded after this unique fashion in singing the praises of the Ad:

"Now that 'us girls' are wearing bobbed 'hair'.
We are always looking for a good looking 'chair'.
Skill, speed and 'care' is the Ad that is 'there'.
M. L. Adams' Barber Shop has a good looking 'air'."

And with this Mister Inx closes the Best Ad Contest and will seek out some quiet country place that he may recuperate from the strenuous activity of reading the heaps of letters. It has been a delightful, though burdensome task and the dear man needs a complete rest.

SCHOOLS HAVE VACATION SOON

Spring vacation will begin for the Winnetka schools when they close their doors Friday afternoon, April 3. The vacation will continue until Monday morning, April 13, according to an announcement issued by Carleton W. Washburne this week.

Are You Making Money?

In either case here's an opening

FOR RENT — A FULLY equipped filling station at Northbrook; finest corner on Waukegan Rd. Wyatt & Coons. Phones Northbrook 104 and Glenview 81.

Fill Your Pocket at a Want Ad Station

WANT AD DEAD LINE THURSDAY NOON



TAX PAYERS' BODY HAS OWN NOMINEES

Opposition to "Section Eight" in Now Famous Caucus Resolution Brings Meeting of Protest and Decision to Fight Park Issue

Opposition to the sentiment expressed at the village caucus held last week at the Community House, and to the much discussed "Section Eight" of the platform adopted at the caucus and the Park board commissioners nominated at that meeting, crystallized Wednesday evening of this week at a meeting of the Winnetka Tax Payers' League, at which the following ticket was nominated:

For president, John S. Miller, Jr.; for Village trustees, Justus Chancellor, Jr., J. E. Replogle and P. G. Johansen; for Village treasurer, A. M. Kloefer; for Marshal and Collector, George F. Batten; for Park Commissioners, Carl Neimann and B. E. Hobart. The league was satisfied with the library trustees and police magistrate nominated at the caucus.

Fight "Section Eight"

The league also adopted the platform of the Village ticket, with the exception of Section Eight. The sentiments of its members were further expressed by the inclusion in its platform of the following planks:

"Economy in village affairs with a view to reduction of taxes, and no special assessments amounting to more than \$50,000 shall be levied unless a vote be taken of the resident property owners concerned and a majority of the same are in favor of it."

The meeting was addressed by several members of the league who were against the plan of the Park board to acquire park lands in the Skokie, among them Mr. Replogle and Mr. Niemann.

As explained by Mr. Neimann, the sentiment of the league is against the acquisition of the park by means of special assessment against the property owners in the vicinity. He contended that the majority of the residents of the village are with the league in this matter and that many east side residents are included in this number.

Called Public Benefit

"We are not satisfied that anything for the good of all Winnetka should be assessed against a small portion of the taxpayers," said Mr. Niemann. "They hold up the Indian Hill station park as an example to us, showing that the same thing has been done before, but that isn't the same thing. That is a local affair, and involves a much smaller portion of ground."

"The proposed new park will be equipped with a golf links, tennis courts, baseball diamonds, skating ponds, and so forth. It will be of use to and used by the whole village. We can't see why we should have to pay for something that is of benefit to the whole village. We have always been in the majority but have never been given a fair hearing."

Doubts Board's Sincerity

"In the beginning, the petition asking for the park, which was circulated by the West Winnetka Improvement association gained many of its signatures under what were really false pretenses. The petition was so worded as to give the impression that only 40 acres were to be bought. Later we found out that the size of the tract of land to be bought was 100 acres. Then, again, those in favor of the park say that the land can be bought for \$3,000 an acre. How can that be done when 12½ acres just across the road, which belonged to L. B. Kuppenheimer, recently was sold for \$100,000? Also, some land directly to the south of the tract that they propose to buy was sold for \$9,000 an acre. No court would condemn land to be sold at \$3,000 an acre when other tracts all around it are bringing three times as much."

Want Park Bonded

"We have no objections to the park if it is bonded to the whole village, in the event that the residents want it. In that case we should fall in line with the rest of them, I suppose. We think the people on the other ticket are nice people, but so are the people on our ticket, only we have different views."

"We are in the majority and we could have attended the caucus and outvoted the other faction there, but we didn't know just what was going to come up and, although we mailed out cards to members of the league and

others in sympathy with our views, they were not delivered in time for us to get concerted action. Besides, we felt that it was not our meeting."

About 150 persons attended the meeting of the Tax Payers' league, according to Mr. Niemann, and 123 signatures to the ticket nominated were secured. The league is planning further action before the coming village election, to be held Tuesday, April 7.

Here's Caucus Ticket

The ticket endorsed at the recent Village caucus has John S. Miller, Jr. for president; John D. Pierce, H. D. Raclin and Walter Strong for Village trustees; William E. Davis, for Village treasurer; C. T. Northrop, for police magistrate; Theodore Flynn for Village marshal and collector; Mrs. Carrie B. Prouty and Walter Fisher, or library trustees. All the candidates on this ticket are incumbents, with the exception of Mrs. Prouty, who is candidate to succeed Roswell Mason, resigned.

Candidates for the positions of Park commissioners, against whom the Tax Payers' league battle seems to be directed are Arlan W. Converse and Sidney Wellbeloved.

MEN'S CLASS TO HEAR DR. N. E. RICHARDSON

By CLASS MEMBER

The Men's Class of Winnetka Congregational church enjoyed a most interesting meeting last Sunday morning with Dr. Ralph C. Hamill as speaker.

Dr. Hamill's subject was "The Psychology of Religion" and in his delightfully informal way, he brought out a fund of information that showed deep study, and quite naturally kept his audience on its collective toes. A discussion followed, which was decidedly lively, and it was generally regretted that more time was not available for its continuation.

On account of the widespread interest in the talks given by Dr. Norman E. Richardson of Northwestern university at the Men's Class and at the Wednesday evening meeting, he has been asked to speak to the Men's class again next Sunday morning.

His subject will be somewhat in the nature of continuing his former talks, though his specific topic will be "Individual Differences in Religious Experience." In Dr. Richardson's own language, "This is a psychological study, having, I trust, very practical applications."

Men of Winnetka are cordially welcomed to these meetings which take place in the American Legion room of Community House at 9:30 o'clock every Sunday morning.

JOSEPHINE WARE DIES

Josephine Ware, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Ware, 922 Cherry street, Winnetka, died Monday, March 16. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon by Rev. James A. Richards of the Winnetka Congregational church, and the burial was at the Memorial Park cemetery. The cause of death was spinal meningitis.