

APPROACH OF ANNUAL MEETING SEASON FOR LOCAL CLUBS

Song Written for Annual Meeting of Winnetka Voters

THE annual meeting of the Winnetka League of Women Voters on Monday, April 13, will bring to a close one of the most active years in the League's existence. This work will be briefly reviewed and its achievements summed up in the various committee reports which promise to be full of stimulating suggestions for another winter's work as well as vivid records of the trials and successes of the year past, from the getting out of an 86 percent women's vote in the fall polling, to the work of the recent election. The usual board meeting will be held at 11:30 o'clock in the league headquarters at Community House, and at 12:30 luncheon will be served to members and their guests.

Luncheon is to begin merrily with a song, written for the occasion by Mrs. William A. Otis, and sung by all present. Immediately after the luncheon Mrs. Leonard Peterson, vice president of the Illinois League of Women Voters, will speak on outstanding legislative features of 1924-25. After this will come the election of officers for the coming year, the committee reports, reports of officers, and the presenting of a budget.

So far no local league has adopted a budget, and if this plan is adopted, Winnetka will be the first to take this step in efficiency. Among other new features, the budget provides for sending a delegate each year to the annual convention of the National League of Women Voters.

The strips of dimes by which the league is endeavoring to raise \$150 are to be turned in before the annual meeting, to the chairman of finance, Mrs. Austin Jenner, or left in her name at Community House. Mrs. Jenner will then be able to report at the meeting on the success of this drive.

Among other women reporting will be Mrs. Walter Benson, president; Mrs. Edwin E. Brown, vice president; Mrs. Morris Greeley, second vice president; Mrs. F. T. Crawford, corresponding secretary; Mrs. John Van derVries, recording secretary; Mrs. George S. Parker, treasurer, and the following committee chairmen: Miss Elizabeth Gemmell, citizenship and elections; Mrs. Harold S. DeLay, membership; Mrs. William Hale, state and national problems; Mrs. Charles Strong, child welfare; Mrs. Morris Greeley, efficiency in government; Mrs. W. Dow Harvey, press.

The Illinois League of Women Voters' Bulletin, a monthly periodical dealing with such phases of legislation, both state and national, in which women are particularly interested, together with the work of the state and the local leagues, is now in the Winnetka library where it is available to the entire community. It will be placed there each month as the new issues come out.

Railway Woman's Club Meets Wednesday Next

THE regular meeting of the Chicago and North Western Woman's club will be held on Wednesday, April 15, at 2 o'clock. The program will be in charge of Miss Dorothy Neill. Miss Neill, soprano, will be accompanied by Alice Johnson at the piano and Marion Emmons will play the violin. All are members of the Sigma Alpha Iota National Musical sorority. The board meeting will be held at 10:30 in the morning.

The first of the pre-nuptial parties to be given for Miss Helen Cresap took the form of a lovely luncheon and kitchen shower at one o'clock, Wednesday, at which Mrs. Irving Babcock, 229 Essex road, was the hostess. The bride-elect received many useful and practical gifts and the best wishes of her many friends.

Winnetka Woman's Club

APRIL 2 was Drama day at the Winnetka Woman's club. As it was an open meeting, an unusual number of women came as guests of members.

Mrs. Hunter, chairman of the revision committee, read the proposed amendments to the by-laws which are to be voted upon at the annual meeting on April 16. Those who cannot attend this meeting may vote by proxy, and it is hoped that a large vote will be cast. The most important consideration will be the change in day. It is proposed to change the regular club day from Thursday to Tuesday. Mrs. Aldrich, chairman of the social committee, is anxious that members make early reservations for the luncheon. Checks may be sent to her residence, 1160 Oakley avenue, or be paid to her on the day of the luncheon. Mrs. Freeman hopes for a goodly number of checks for next year's dues. Please come prepared.

Mrs. E. V. L. Brown, who has done such splendid work in the North Shore Theatre Guild, then introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Alexander Dean, director of the Guild, and professor of dramatic arts at Northwestern university.

His subject was "On Going to the Theatre." Mr. Dean very amusingly pointed out the difference between the very modern production and that which prevailed about 15 years ago, showing some of our stage favorites as being very much out of date. He pointed out that it is no longer correct for any one person to claim the center of the stage and push all others into the background, and that Europe has shown us how to produce an ensemble play, a perfect art with the Russians. Mr. Dean stated that most persons enjoy a production emotionally, but that the great joy is in intellectual understanding from the viewpoint of playwright, producer, and actors. He gave as a perfect example of a finished dramatic piece, "The Swan," and cited Duse as the greatest actress in creating illusions. He stated that a great wave of naturalism is coming into our acting and directing, as well as into our novels, and that we are getting away from the tense and tight plot. Mr. Dean is young and delightfully modern.

The program was concluded by two charming young people from the Cumnode school who gave a skit entitled "Yes, George."

Tea was served by the following hostesses: Mrs. Harve G. Bedgerow, Mrs. Laird Bell, Mrs. E. V. L. Brown, Mrs. Frederick Dickinson, Mrs. J. Williams Macy, and Mrs. Warner Robinson.

Annual Luncheon to End the Neighbors' Season

THE annual luncheon that brings to a close the season's activities for the Kenilworth Neighbors, will take place on Thursday, April 16. This is always one of the most popular affairs of the club year and always attracts a large attendance. In the afternoon the officers will read the reports of the work and progress of the club during the year past. These reports, read promptly and concisely, always prove to be of interest, and never detract from the social nature of the affair.

At this time the following nominees for new offices will be elected: Mrs.

Harry Vissering, vice president; Mrs. Walter Knoop, recording secretary; Mrs. Alfred Roy Hulbert, treasurer; Miss Barbara Erwin, chairman of the art and literature department, and Mrs. Alexander Joslyn, chairman of the philanthropy department.

Frank Speaight said to be England's greatest interpreter of Dickens, seemed to step right out of "Pickwick Papers," so vivid and inspired were his depictions of those well loved characters on the occasion of the meeting of the Neighbors on April 2. A sizable audience was most enthusiastic in its response and appreciation.

Next Wilmette Club Day on Wednesday, April 15

THE child and home department offers two interesting programs next Wednesday, April 15.

At 11 o'clock in the morning, Mr. Mendenhall of Spaulding and company will give a talk on "English Bone China." He will illustrate his talk with a large number of samples of beautiful china from all the English potteries. This will be an unusually interesting talk to lovers of beautiful china, and will be a splendid opportunity to see these rare pieces of china.

In the afternoon at 2 o'clock, Sterling McDonald of Karpen Brothers

will talk on "Practical Interior Decorating." Many will remember that Mr. McDonald was with us last year, but was unable to give us an entire afternoon. This time we hope to hear his complete lecture, which he illustrates with samples of draperies. He will also be glad to answer questions, and this should be helpful at this time when we anticipate making changes during our spring housecleaning.

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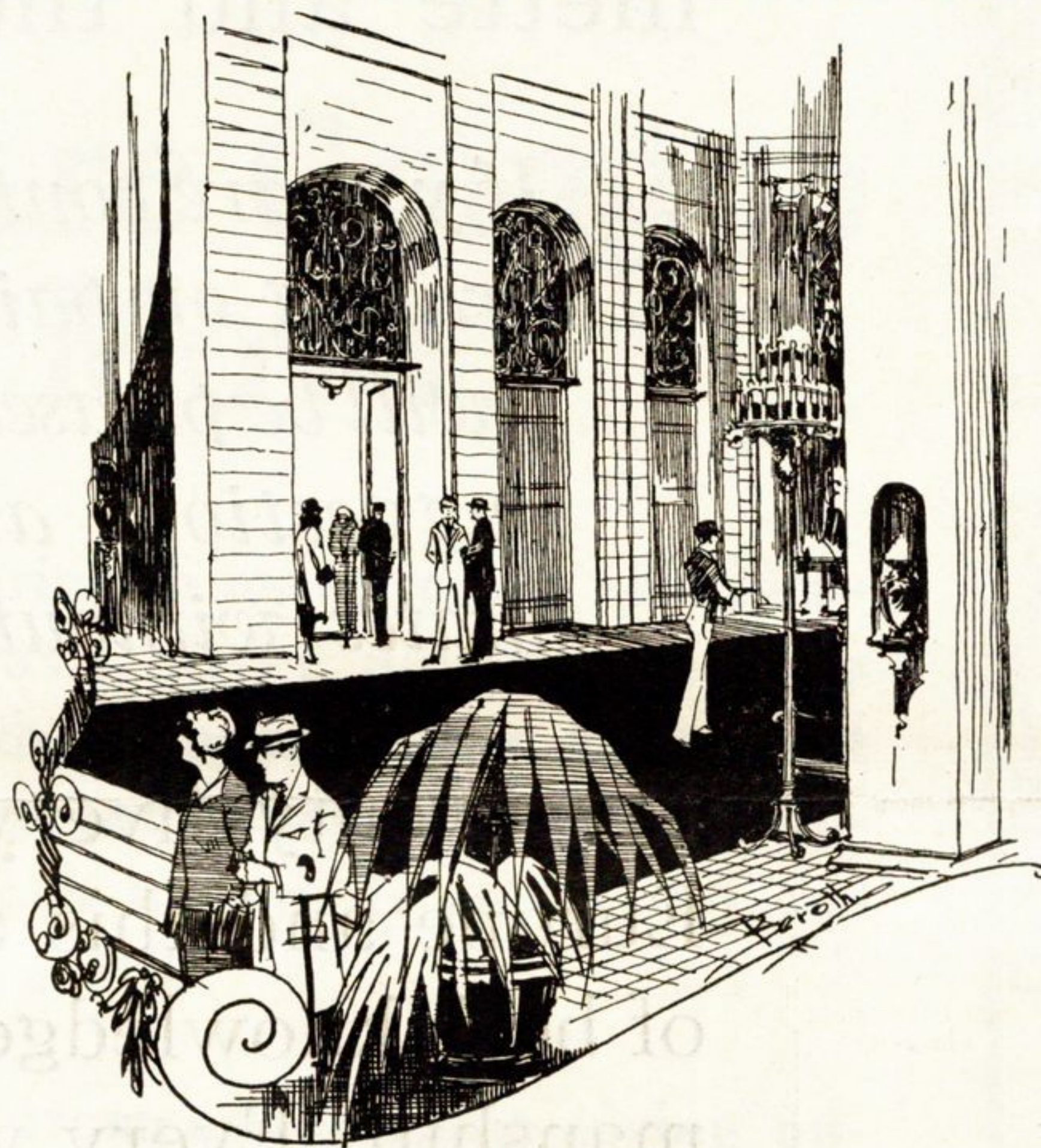
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