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MAIL EARLY! PLEA TO CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS

Postmaster Adams Announces There Will Be No Deliveries of Mail Christmas Day

Shop now and mail early! Postmaster Elmer E. Adams sent forth that laconic request to Winnetka residents this week as he prepared to take care of the largest holiday business ever experienced in the local post office.

Also, by way of a gentle hint to encourage early mailing, Mr. Adams announces that no postoffice in the United States will deliver mail on Christmas Day. In other words, if you want your gifts to reach their destination in time, get them off as early as possible or they may have to wait until after Christmas Day.

By virtue of the decision of the Post Office department at Washington, to have no deliveries on Christmas Day, postal employees will enjoy their first workless Christmas in the memory of oldest residents.

Gives Mailing Hints

Postmaster Adams accompanied his plea for early mailing with the following hints concerning the preparation and dispatching of gifts:

The post office will make every effort to handle the Christmas mails without delay, but owing to the large volume this can be done only with the cooperation of the public. Compliance with the following suggestions will greatly aid the post office and insure the prompt handling of your mail.

All parcels must be securely wrapped or packed. Use strong paper and heavy twine.

Articles easily broken or crushed must be crated or securely wrapped.

Use liberal quantities of excelsior, or like material, in, around, and between the articles and the outside container.

All articles easily broken or damaged must be marked fragile.

All parcels of a perishable nature must be plainly marked "perishable."

Articles likely to spoil within the time reasonable required for transportation and delivery will not be accepted for mailing.

Addresses should be complete, with the house number and name of street, post office box or rural route number. A return card should be placed in the upper left hand corner of every piece of mail.

No parcel may be more than 84 inches in length and girth combined. For delivery locally and in the first, second and third zones, 70 pounds is the maximum weight, in all other zones, 50 pounds.

Christmas gifts and cards addressed to points within one day's travel should be mailed not later than December 20; within two days' travel, not later than December 18; within three days' travel, not later than December 16; for more distant points not later than December 14. Parcels for local delivery should be mailed not later than December 22.

Parcels and envelopes may be indorsed "Please do not open until Christmas."

The early mailing of Christmas cards is just as important as parcels. Millions of these cards, separate and in envelopes, are mailed each Christmas, consequently, great congestion and delay occurs in large post offices. Therefore if you want your Christmas greetings to reach your relatives and friends, "mail early." Insure your parcel post mail.

The use of the 25 cent special handling stamp, in addition to the regular postage, on parcels to be mailed by parcel post, will expedite the delivery. All parcels containing this stamp will be handled the same as letter mail.

Shop now and mail early. There will be no delivery of mail throughout the United States on Christmas day.

Thanksgiving Preacher

Winnetka's Union Thanksgiving services will be held in Christ church, Sheridan road and Humboldt avenue, Thursday morning, November 26 at 10:30 o'clock. The Rev. James Austin Richards, minister of the Winnetka Congregational church, will give the sermon and the choir of Christ church will provide the program of music.



Rev. James Austin Richards

Cooperating in the Thanksgiving services will be Christ church, the Winnetka Congregational church and the First Scandinavian Evangelical church. An offering will be taken to be directed into the funds of the United Charities of Chicago. The Union Thanksgiving service is virtually the only joint gathering of the different Protestant church organizations during the year and has always attracted a large attendance. Next Thursday's observance is expected to be of especial interest, also, in view of the fact that Mr. Richards enjoys such a wide acquaintance in the community and is counted one of the most popular speakers on the north shore. A Thanksgiving sermon by him seems doubly appropriate since he brings to Winnetka a touch of the genuine New England feeling, the "stern and rockbound coast" encountered by the Pilgrim Fathers being quite as familiar to him as is his home in the Middle West. Mr. Richards' subject will be, "The Unnamed Best." The Christ choir will sing the following numbers at the service: "Te Deum in C," Lutkin; Anthem—"O Lord, Our Governor, How Excellent Is Thy Name," Gadsby.

Call Church People to Confer Regarding Associate Minister

An exceptionally important meeting of the Winnetka Congregational church will be held Monday evening, November 23, at the church at 8:30 o'clock. At this meeting the committee, which has been working for the last six months seeking an associate minister to add to the present church staff, will report that it has found just the right man and has reason to believe that the man can be obtained.

Leaders in the church have been feeling for a long time that the growth of the village and the expansion of the church life created responsibilities which the church cannot adequately discharge without finding another minister to supplement the work now being done by Mr. Richards and Dr. Davies. All this will be explained again at the meeting Monday night and a full statement will be made concerning the work it is expected that the new minister will do.

The hour is put at 8:30 o'clock in order to allow Mr. Richards to get home from his preaching appointment tomorrow in the East.

FIND FLORIDA O. K.

Dr. and Mrs. Delbert Poff, who left for Florida several weeks ago, report the southern climate at this season is all that the most optimistic boosters say for it. They are now located at Kissimmee, Fla. During Dr. Poff's absence his dental practice is in the hands of Dr. A. J. Bushey.

News pertaining to women's clubs and social group activities may be found on pages 17, 18 and 19.

URGE GIRLS TO JOIN "FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE"

Club for Working Girls Meets at Community House; Foresees Good Year

"Friendship Circle" has begun another year in Community House, and it promises to be one of the most successful the club has ever had. It is meeting, as usual, each Tuesday evening in Community House. This is a club for girls working in Winnetka homes, and is under the leadership of Mrs. Arthur F. Sterrett. The girls meet at 8:30 o'clock for a period of gymnasium work under the instruction of Miss Elizabeth Kirschner. There are games, dancing, and gymnasium activities of various kinds. After this, they go into the Neighborhood room, and have a social club hour together. This program varies. Sometimes there are social parties, with games and fun; sometimes it is a special program, given by some talented friend of Community House. Sometimes there are stunts, plays, a musical hour, a bunco party, or a dance. But more than all this, is the friendly, happy spirit of this group, which runs through all these evenings together, and makes for good times. Many a girl, after she has become acquainted with this group, has lost her lonely feelings, and found friends here.

Elect Officers

Last Tuesday evening the new officers for the year were elected, and they are enthusiastically planning some delightful meetings. Those elected are: Marguerite Steele, president; Louise Brandt, vice-president; Hattie Lundien, treasurer; Julie Ohe, secretary; Katherine Gomeran, social chairman; Ida Kettleon, publicity committee; Mabel Ruder, reception committee.

The girls are planning a Bunco party for December 8.

Many girls working in Winnetka homes are strangers here and would like to become acquainted with other girls. To all such, the girls of "Friendship Circle" extend a very cordial invitation to come and join this group.

Like to Sing? Line up With New Glee Club!

One of the most promising of the newer organizations now housed in Community House is the Hubbard Woods Glee club. Dr. Thorvald Lyngholm, who is president of the organization, announces a few vacancies in the club for those who like to sing—more tenor voices are needed.

Eligibility to charter membership in the club terminates January 1, it is stated, and it appears as though Mr. Gunn, the musical director, will have accumulated a rare collection of harmony by that time.

Charles Burkitt Co. Gets Walk Contract

Charles Burkitt and company, 746 Elm street, cement contractors, this week received the award of contract to construct sidewalks on Fernleaf avenue and Clover road, Wilmette. The award was made by the Wilmette Village board.

Czecho-Slovakian Artists to Appear Before Local Club

The Czecho-Slovakian society of Winnetka is to be entertained by two well known Chicago artists Wednesday evening, November 25, at the Community House.

Miss Marion Lychenheim, pianiste, who returned recently from abroad, found Czecho-Slovakie one of the most interesting places she visited, and brings with her music from there.

Harry Gillman, violinist, is a pupil of that fine master Sevcik and therefore he too finds Czecho-Slovakian music very close to his heart and promises to confine the evening to such composers as Dvorak, Kuh, Smetana and the other Bohemian masters.

Dr. Thorvald Lyngholm of Hubbard Woods, who made Prague his headquarters while he conducted child welfare work in central Europe, is sponsoring the musicale.

HOME FOR THANKSGIVING

The William C. Boydens will return to their home in Winnetka for Thanksgiving and will be hosts at a family dinner. They are spending the winter in the apartment they have taken in Chicago.

EARLY DEADLINE!

In view of the Thanksgiving holiday next week all advertising and news copy must be in the offices of WINNETKA TALK not later than Wednesday noon, November 25, to insure publication in the current issue of WINNETKA TALK. The offices of the TALK will be closed all day on Thanksgiving.