

## COUNCIL STRENGTHENS FIRE LIMITS MEASURE

### Amendment to Ordinance Places Restriction on Replacement of Frame Structures

New provisions for making structures in the Winnetka business district as nearly fireproof as possible are included in an amendment to the ordinance prescribing the fire limits of the village. This amendment was passed at the last meeting of the Village council. The most outstanding provision of the amendment stipulates that wooden shingles shall not be used on new buildings within the fire limits. Parts of the amendment follow:

"Section 2. No frame building shall be erected nor any frame addition made to any existing building within the fire limits of the Village of Winnetka. No frame building within the fire limits shall be remodeled or substantially altered, except in case such changes serve to reduce the fire hazard, in the judgment of the superintendent of public works.

"Frame buildings within the fire limits which have been damaged by fire or other agencies, to an extent greater than 50 per cent of their value shall not be repaired or replaced, except by buildings of other than frame construction. Frame buildings which have been damaged by fire or other agencies to an extent not greater than 50 per cent of their value may be repaired, provided there is no increase in the size of such buildings over their original dimensions, and, provided that an incombustible roof covering is used.

"Wooden shingles shall not be used on new buildings within the fire limits.

"For the purpose of this ordinance the term 'Frame Building' shall apply to all buildings, the exterior walls or any part of which are constructed of wood. Exterior walls sheathed with boards, covered with a veneer of brick stone, concrete blocks, stucco or tile shall be included in this classification.

## Winnetka Rotarians Receive Visit From District Governor

Dr. Frank Goodspeed of the University of Chicago gave a talk on Tyndell before the Winnetka Rotary club Friday noon of this week. Governor Harry Kelly of the Fortieth district of Rotary International, which has supervision over the Winnetka club, paid his official visit to the club Friday, December 4, the Rotarians heard an interesting talk by Mrs. Carrie B. Prouty, president of the Winnetka Library board, who spoke of the service rendered the community by the Winnetka Public library.

Mrs. Prouty emphasized the necessity of conserving funds derived from taxation to provide adequate library facilities commensurate with the rapidly increasing population of Winnetka and sought the co-operation of the Rotarians in an attempt to secure electric and water service for the library free of charge and to relieve the library property of special assessments for street improvements.

By motion of the club Mrs. Prouty's suggestions were referred to the Public Service committee of the club.

### INVITE TO MUSICALE

The Winnetka Sunday Evening club is extending an urgent invitation to all Winnetka to come to the unusual musicale to be given Sunday evening at the Camp Fire room, Community House. A program will be given on the "Panatope," an innovation in the music world, and the selections will include Christmas music and several classical numbers. A supper will be served at 6:30 o'clock.

## Fire Damage Small in November; Four Burglaries Listed

Reports for the month of November of the fire and police departments were received by the Village council at its meeting Tuesday evening of last week. The fire department report showed that there were few fires during the month in comparison with other months. The department received and answered 12 calls, one of which was not a fire. The total damage for the month was \$270. Five inspections of premises were made.

The police department report showed a total of 26 arrests for the month. Of this number, 25 were for violations of speed and traffic ordinances. There were four burglaries during the month and stolen property to the value of \$1,008.50 was recovered by the department. Among other interesting things revealed by the report was the fact that the police were called upon to shoot a horse, a practice that is becoming rare in this motor age.

## Winter Weather Fails to Curb Building Here

Winnetka village officials have issued numerous permits for new residences recently in spite of the lateness of the building season. Among those building new homes are A. J. Mitchell, a tile and stucco residence on Chestnut avenue, to cost \$23,000; Charles Kristoff, a frame home at 1142 Ash street, to cost \$10,000; H. Schuman, a frame and brick veneer house at 1206 Tower road, to cost \$25,000; Mrs. Bertha Eberhardt, a frame dwelling at 182 Fuller lane, to cost \$10,000; Mrs. Eva L. Kranich, a frame home at 1518 Asbury avenue, to cost \$10,000; R. C. Crosley, a frame and brick veneer house at 658 Elm street, to cost \$16,000 and a house at 1452 Scott avenue costing \$11,000; Louis L. Burlin, a frame residence at 988 Lake avenue and one at 1284 Scott avenue, each costing \$10,000; a frame, brick veneer and stucco house at 1270 Scott avenue costing \$10,500 and a frame and stucco dwelling at 1278 Scott avenue to cost \$9,000.

## Skokie School Grads to Have Homecoming Party

The annual Holiday Homecoming of the Skokie school alumni will be held at the Hibbard Memorial gymnasium Saturday evening, January 2, it was announced this week. This party is open only to graduates of the school and has been an annual custom for the past four years. The parties have always been popular, it was said by school authorities. Last year 75 per cent of the class which had graduated that year attended the homecoming and a large number of students who graduated other years were also present. The party will begin at 8 o'clock in the evening and there will be dancing and refreshments.

### A CORRECTION

In a list of the members of the police investigation committee which was published last week in WINNETKA TALK the name of Walter F. Strong was omitted and William J. Carey's middle initial was incorrectly given as "F." The TALK regrets the error.

Mrs. Harland Fankboner of Rogers Park, formerly of Winnetka, entertained at luncheon yesterday in honor of Miss Gladys Hanson, leading lady of the William Hodge company now playing in Chicago in "The Judge's Husband."

## Leads Masons



George G. Barbary was formally installed this week as master of the Winnetka Masonic lodge. His elevation to the highest office in the lodge brought with it a unique circumstance in that Mr. Barbary's own son was the first candidate to receive degree work under the new administration.

## Music Guild Enjoys an Encouraging Growth

A meeting of the board of directors of the Music Guild of the North Shore, Mrs. Homer E. Cotton, president, in the chair, was held at her home Monday evening, December 7. A great deal of encouraging progress was reported, many prominent members of the musical profession have joined since the last general meeting, November 4, and a great deal of constructive work of value to members of the teaching fraternity in this vicinity, has been accomplished.

Another general meeting of the Guild will be held soon to ratify the proposed constitution and by-laws, at which time all those who have not yet joined are invited to be present. Notice of this meeting will be given in an early issue of this paper.

Persons immediately interested in the Guild are asked to communicate with Mrs. Cotton or with J. S. Meck, secretary, 4917 N. Hermitage avenue, Chicago.

## Pupils Prepare Gifts for Caney Creek Poor

Friday afternoon, December 18, at 2:35 o'clock, pupils of the Skokie school will hold a program of Christmas pantomimes and carol singing in the auditorium of the school. Parents and graduates of the school are invited to attend this Christmas celebration. Children of the school are making up boxes of toys and useful gifts to be sent to poor children, as their Christmas project this year. The boxes are made up for an individual child of a specified age, and most of them will probably go to the Caney Creek Settlement in Kentucky with which all residents of the north shore are familiar.

### BUYS GONSALVES RESIDENCE

George F. Gonsalves has sold his home at Pine street and Rosewood avenue to Carlton Prouty for a reported consideration of \$50,000. The Prouty family is expected to occupy the residence in the near future.

## PRESENT XMAS MUSIC

Students of New Trier High School and Their Parents Will Join in Christmas Celebration December 13

Residents of the north shore villages are invited to enjoy with students of New Trier High school the eighth annual Christmas celebration to be held Sunday afternoon, December 13 at 4 o'clock. Combined in providing this always attractive musical program are the high school choruses, Glee club and orchestra. Mrs. Homer E. Cotton, supervisor of music at the high school will direct the celebration and Miss Winifred Mickey will be the accompanist.

The program has been announced as follows:

### PART 1

- Overture from "The Messiah" Orchestra
- "And the Glory of the Lord" ..Handel chorus
- "Rejoice Greatly, Oh Daughter of Zion" ..... Handel  
Maude Bouslough Minnema
- Pastoral Symphony ..... Handel  
Orchestra
- "I Know that My Redeemer Liveth" ..... Handel  
Miss Minnema
- Halleluiah Chorus ..... Handel  
Chorus
- Festival Suite ..... Nicode  
Orchestra
- The Stars in Heaven ....Rheinberger
- Ave Maria ..... Bach-Gounod  
Girls Glee Club
- Soprano Solo, Virginia Marshall
- Alto Solo, Catherine Bickham
- Violin Obligato, George Swigart
- Harp Accompaniment, Natalie Redfield
- Carols:
- (a) "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" ..... Mendelssohn
- (b) "The First Nowell".....Traditional  
Chorus and Audience
- Solo: "Jesu Bambino: ..... Yon  
Miss Minnema
- Carols:
- (a) "Oh Come All Ye Faithful".... Reading
- (b) "Silent Night" ..... Gruber  
Chorus and Audience

## Nice Cold Weather All That's Needed for Skating Rinks

Skating will begin at the Hubbard Woods Skating club's rink at the Hubbard Woods station park as soon as the weather is cold enough to freeze the ice properly, it was announced this week. The rink is now being flooded in preparation for cold weather and the shelter house for skaters is being built and will be completed in the near future. An attendant has been retained to take care of the rink and everything is in readiness for the winter sport. A membership drive which is being put on by the club is progressing very satisfactorily, it was said. All residents of Hubbard Woods are eligible to membership on the payment of a small fee which is being used to take care of the cost of maintaining the rink. Much of the necessary equipment was donated by various individuals and organizations and the water which will be used throughout the winter is donated by the Village. There will be both day and evening skating, the ornamental lighting system which circles the park providing excellent light for the sport at night.

### EXHIBITS MASQUES

One of the portrait masques shown Friday, December 11, at the tea and opening of a private showing of sculpture and an exhibition of original masques and character studies by Mrs. Tennessee Mitchell at the Chester Johnson galleries, was that of Mrs. Wilmarth Ickes of Walden road, loaned by Mrs. Harold Ickes. Mrs. Potter Palmer, Mrs. William Nitze, Mrs. James Field, and Mrs. Bruce Fulton poured at the tea tables.