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CASTLE SCORES SMALL AT VOTERS' MEETING

State Representative Views Governor's Meddling With Legislature as Menace

"The present practice of the governor of Illinois in taking an active part in the selection of the speaker of the assembly is seriously menacing the value of that body," declared Representative Howard P. Castle before a large meeting of the Winnetka League of Women Voters at the Community House Monday, January 11.

Mr. Castle declared that this practice enabled the governor to trade jobs for votes and thus to make of the legislature a political football rather than a law-making body. "The legislature must be kept a strictly law-making assembly," declared Mr. Castle, and he feels that the way this can be done is by arousing a public sentiment that will demand in its representatives ability to transact the business of the assembly rather than political ability in procuring jobs for constituents.

Wants Short Ballot

Mr. Castle went on to state in a definite and fearless way his stand on various measures. He is for the shorter ballot—in fact, introduced a bill on the subject at the last assembly. It was opposed by seasoned politicians wanting long party columns on the ballots. Mr. Castle hopes for a stronger favorable sentiment at the next assembly.

Mr. Castle is for the central registration bill, providing that people may register at any time during the year. This bill passed both houses but was not signed by the governor.

Wants Tax Reduced

He believes that the Illinois inheritance tax should be reduced to its former level. It is at present higher than in any state except Wisconsin, with the result that many wealthy people have established "residences" in other states, and thus Illinois is losing altogether a source of revenue due her.

Women should serve on juries, according to Mr. Castle. He believes that women jurors would not have sympathy with guilty women because of their sex or beauty, as men often do, and that women should share responsibilities with men.

He is in favor of good roads but feels that Illinois should let that matter rest for a while and pay its bonded indebtedness, which is extremely high now because of the water way bond issues.

Explains Woman Labor Stand

In a reply to a quest from Mrs. Walter Benson, president of the Winnetka League, as to why he was opposed to the bill for an eight-hour day for women Mr. Castle stated that the Saturday half-holiday would probably be abolished as the result of such a law in order that employers could get a 48 hour week. An alternative result would be that women would be discharged wholesale. He would be willing to vote for a maximum 9-hour day law.

Mr. Castle is the representative from this district and feels particularly that he represents Winnetka as it was Frederick Burlingham of this village who first persuaded him to run for office and who later induced him to seek reelection.

Mrs. J. Paul Goode, representative of

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VOTERS' BOOKLET OUT

Winnetka League of Women Voters Issue First Year Book; Contains Interesting Data

The 1925-26 Year Book of the Winnetka League of Women Voters has just come from the press. It is the first year book ever put out by the league, and should be a useful voter's handbook for every woman in Winnetka. It contains a map of the election districts in the village listing the addresses of the polling places for each district. It contains also the dates of the village, township, state, and county elections in 1926, with the offices to be filled at each election.

It has, of course, the constitution and by-laws of the Winnetka league, the names of the officers, the league budget, and the long list of the names of the members. Being a first year book, it has a brief statement of the purposes of the league and the "Pledge for Citizens" written by Mrs. Maud Wood Park, president of the National League of Women Voters. A brief statement of the accomplishments of the league during the last year is of course included, and the league song written last year by Mrs. William A. Otis for the annual league party.

Mrs. Morris Greeley was chairman of the committee editing the booklet. She and her committee were so successful in obtaining advertisements from the Winnetka stores, which are always ready to co-operate, that the book was published without expense to the league. It is given to all league members free. Unfortunately it went to press too soon to include the list of sustaining members who have come to the financial support of the league this year. That list is as follows:

Mesdames James Porter, Edwin E. Brown, Harold DeLay, E. R. Affleck, Ernest Ballard, Laird Bell, William C. Boyden, Heyliger deWindt, Victor Elting, Frank Ferry, Miss Elizabeth Gemmell, Mesdames William Sherman Hay, Austin Jenner, August Magnus, Ruth Matz, John Montgomery, William Page, Isaac Rothschild, William Sidley, Arthur Sterrett, Arthur Woodward, Frank Bersbach, Ayres Boal, Rush Butler, Edgar Crilly, Arthur Cushman, A. Montague Ferry, Charles Fuller, Francis Hardy, William Dow Harvey, William Gold Hibbard, Harold Ickes, E. M. Kemp, Howard C. Phillips, Frederick Scott, John Scott, Archibald Shaw, Walter Benson, John Vander Vries, William D. McKenzie, Lucy Graves, Phillip Moore, William B. McIlvaine, William S. Elliott, E. F. Snyderacker, Morris Greeley, Douglas Smith, Charles Strong, Walter Strong, Raymond Durham.

Council Votes Two More Men for Police Force

Two additional policemen are to be added to the local police department, following action by the Village council at its meeting last Thursday evening, when the employment of the additional men was authorized. This will bring the number of men on the force up to 14, two more than have been employed before. The extra men were requested by Chief of Police W. M. Peterson, who cited the growth of the village as a reason for the request. Under present plans, this will allow the use of two men at the station at night, one acting as desk sergeant and one who can respond to calls at a moment's notice. At the present time only one man is on duty in the station at night, and if an emergency arises he is forced to leave the station unguarded.

Rev. W. S. Petrick, Chaplain of Legion in Winnetka Sunday

Winnetkans this Sunday will have the opportunity of hearing the national chaplain of the American Legion, the Rev. William E. Petrick, who will preach at Christ church, Sheridan road and Humboldt avenue, at the 11 o'clock services.

Mr. Petrick and the Rev. E. Ashley Gerhard, rector of Christ church, have been warm friends for several years, in fact it was largely through Mr. Gerhard's entreaties that the brilliant young man decided to enter the episcopal ministry when he was associated with a Massachusetts parish of which Mr. Gerhard was rector.

The presence of the national chaplain in the village is expected to encourage a sizeable turnout of ex-service men at the services Sunday morning. While members of the Winnetka Post of the legion have not decided to appear in a group, Commander Edward R. Lewis has expressed the hope that as many as can do so, will attend the services to greet the national officer.

Mr. Petrick is rector of a church in California. He served as a chaplain overseas during the World war.

James Fentress to Entertain Legion Men Monday Night

At the meeting of Winnetka Post No. 10, American Legion, Monday night, January 18, at the Legion room, Community House, James Fentress will be the guest of the Post and will sing a number of negro plantation songs.

Mr. Fentress is well known to Winnetka residents for the remarkable charm and spirit with which he sings the old negro songs. He gave the Winnetka Post a delightful evening a year or two ago, but many members feel as one who served with negro troops in the War who declares that he would walk ten miles any night to hear Mr. Fentress sing.

Preceding the entertainment by Mr. Fentress there will be a business session at which question regarding a membership campaign, entertainment for the coming year, and plans for Memorial Day will be discussed.

A large attendance is expected.

C. of C. Turkey Dinner Promises to Be Gala Event

A very lively interest is being manifested in the dinner to be given by the Winnetka Chamber of Commerce at Community House, Thursday evening, January 28, at 7 o'clock. Tickets are going fast, it is announced.

This is to be a turkey dinner with all the trimmings, and a special program is being arranged. It is for all business and professional men and women of Winnetka, Hubbard Woods and Indian Hill, as well as their employees, the members assert.

Some of the business men have made it known that they were strongly urging their employes to attend the dinner.

RELIGION-HEALTH TO BE MISSION SUBJECT

Rev. Franklyn Cole Sherman to Hold Series of Services in Christ Church Parish

An extremely interesting series of services are promised the members and friends of Christ church parish for the week of January 24-31, when the Rev. Franklyn Cole Sherman, executive secretary of the American Guild of Health, will conduct a "preaching Mission in Applied Religion."

Mr. Sherman was formerly rector of the Episcopal church at Akron, Ohio, and while in that city did conspicuous work in connection with the application of religion to health. He later resigned his parish to organize the American branch of the British society called the Guild of Health. Since then he has conducted missions in many places throughout the country, meeting everywhere with marked success.

Confers with Medics

Recently Mr. Sherman was called to New York City for a conference with leading medical men where he was accorded a remarkably sympathetic reception.

The Guild of Health is interested in encouraging an attitude of cooperation between religious agencies and the medical profession on the principle that the assistance of modern medicine must be recognized in the matter of healing. This, in counteraction to various movements which in the matter of healing are avowedly antagonistic to the medical profession.

Three Services January 24

Mr. Sherman will conduct three services on Sunday, January 24, the opening day of his preaching mission. These will convene at 7:30 and 11 A. M., and at 8 P. M.

Monday evening, January 25, Mr. Sherman will be the guest and speaker at the dinner of the Men's club in the Parish House.

The preaching mission is expected to attract unusual interest throughout the village. The definite schedule of services will be announced in next week's issue of WINNETKA TALK.

Sheridan Road Through Ravines Closed to Cars

Sheridan road, through the ravines in Hubbard Woods north of Tower road, has been closed to through traffic by orders of the police department. This action was taken because of the slippery condition of the road, which is especially dangerous to those not familiar with it, according to Chief W. M. Peterson. Children of the village are taking advantage of the situation by using the road as a coasting hill. It will be reopened when the snow has melted sufficiently to make it safe for traffic again, it was announced.

ELECT BANK OFFICIALS

The annual stockholders meeting of the Winnetka State bank will be held during the coming week, it is announced by Sanborn Hale, cashier. At this meeting officers and directors for the coming year will be elected and a report of the business done by the bank during the past year will be heard.