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## BOARD WOULD ENLARGE SOUTH STORE DISTRICT

### Zoning Officials Make Recommendations on Manus Tract; One Member Dissents

Following two public meetings and a careful study of the situation for a period of more than two months, the Winnetka Zoning Board of Appeals last Tuesday recommended to the Village council that the territory recently annexed to the village, known as Manus' Indian Hill subdivision, be zoned both for commercial and residential purposes. The specific recommendation, as included in the written report to the council, was that Lots 8 to 37, both inclusive, in Block 1, and Lots 1 and 2 in Block 2 be included in the "C" commercial district and that the balance of the subdivision be included in the "A" residential district.

With the recommendation of the Board of Appeals there was included a dissenting opinion by Coram T. Davis, a member of the board and president of the Indian Hill Improvement association, which has been strongly opposed to any further commercial property in the district in question.

#### Explain Decision

In its report the Board of Appeals gives its reasons for the recommendation made. The report says that proper and reasonable zoning of an area for commercial purposes presupposes a tributary residential population to be served by local retail stores. It says that at the present time in Winnetka there are 2½ front feet of commercial property in use for every family in the village and that future provisions for commerce provide for an average of 1¼ feet of commercial property per family.

The report says that the area of the Indian Hill district, as defined by the Indian Hill Improvement association, is 640 acres, of which 350 acres are suitable for residential purposes. Figuring on the basis of six families per acre and 2¼ front feet of commercial property per family, this would require 4,725 front feet of commercial property.

In making the recommendation, however, the board took as their basis of computation a half mile circle about the commercial district at Indian Hill. The area of this circle includes approximately 465 acres of land, the report says, and figuring the same as in the other case, 3,980 front feet of commercial property would be required. Because of the proximity of the Indian Hill Country club grounds and the Kenilworth business district this estimate is still further reduced to 2,650 front feet.

#### 2,100 Feet Commercial

Under the present zoning ordinance in force in the district, approximately 1,000 front feet of commercial property is provided and the addition commercial property recommended by the board has frontage of 1,100, making a total of 2,100 front feet instead of 2,500 feet, the amount required in the future according to the estimate of the board.

Mr. Davis, in his dissenting report, filed with the board's recommendation, flatly disagrees with the finding of that body and the methods of computation on which it was based.

"Winnetka is essentially a residential community," says Mr. Davis' report.

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## CHEER SHOP BENEFIT

### Occupational Therapy Committee of Cook County Hospital Offers Many Attractive Bargains

The Cheer shop of the Cook County hospital is having a sale of its work at the Winnetka Woman's club Tuesday afternoon, February 23, after the musicale is over. Rag rugs, said to be extremely pretty, and quite inexpensive, two-color baskets and trays of useful size, lovely hooked rugs and quite a number of linen articles, including luncheon sets, napkins, bridge sets, dresser scrabs, and bags, will be rapidly sold as they are attractive and low in price. All of these articles it is stated, are the product of long hours of labor by patients eager to earn even a little bit of money to make their convalescence less of a burden to family and friends.

Members of the occupational therapy committee of Cook County hospital, Mrs. Charles T. Mordock, chairman, and Mrs. Stephen A. Foster, Mrs. Thomas Taylor, Jr., Mrs. Salmon, and Miss Lydia Coonley, ask, "Won't You Help?" To quote this committee:

"This Cheer shop is the tangible portion of the Occupational Therapy department, and plays a very important part in the convalescence of the patients in our own County hospital. Those patients who are able, come to this well named room and learn not only to shorten the long tedium of recovery, but also to earn money while they are still unable to take up their usual lives. Sometimes they even learn a new trade when the old one has become impossible through the loss of hand or foot, or as the result of illness.

"Half of the price of each article goes to the patient directly, the remainder provides materials for the use of anyone able to work, whether in the Cheer shop itself, or in the ward. In these wards are many women and girls who must stay in bed for months at a time, and to them especially, this work brought by Miss Hess and her assistants, not only relieves the endless monotony, but often serves as a real incentive to recovery. It makes a tremendous difference to a patient when he is discharged from the Cook County hospital if he has a few dollars in his pocket."

### Seek Expert Advice on New Fire Station Plan

Village Manager H. L. Woolhiser was authorized by the Village council last Tuesday evening to obtain the services of an expert in connection with the consideration of plans for a new fire station. It was hoped that Edward H. Bennett, of Chicago, the architect who designed the Winnetka Plan, could be secured for this purpose. Plans for remodeling the old Village hall into a modern fire station have been in the hands of a committee of the Winnetka Plan commission for some time, and this committee reported to the Village council that it would be unable to reach a decision without consulting an expert. If the plans for remodeling the old Village hall are accepted it will give the village a much larger fire station for approximately the same amount of money as would be required to purchase land and erect an entirely new building on another location.

## Art League Enjoys Busy Season With Classes, Exhibits

The painting group of the North Shore Art league is now studying under the direction of George Oberteuffer, who is an associate of Salon D'Autome, Paris, and was for three years on the faculty of Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Art. Mr. Oberteuffer is at present an instructor at the Chicago Art Institute and has recently received the Logan prize for participating in the present exhibition of Chicago artists.

This group meets on Wednesday and Thursday evenings every week at the Winnetka Community House. A similar group meets at Ravinia under the direction of James Cady Ewell on Monday evening. The regular January meeting of the league was held recently, Allan Philbrick, Winnetka artist, giving a demonstration of the processes of etching.

Mrs. Charles Hubbard of Winnetka opened her home to members of the league for February meeting. She gave a talk on her exhibition of Chinese brocades, porcelains and pewter, many of which were made previous to the Ming dynasty.

Harry Timmins of the Academy of Fine Arts will address the March meeting of the league on "Composition." In April the Art league will stage their annual exhibition, which is expected to be the largest and finest exhibition of paintings and sculpture ever displayed by the group.

## Announce Lenten Program in Parish of Christ Church

The Lenten program in Christ church parish, which commenced Wednesday of this week, will include a class in applied religion to be conducted by the Rev. E. Ashley Gerhard, rector, following through the dominant note of the preaching mission recently conducted in the parish by the Rev. Franklyn Cole Sherman.

Services during the Pre-Easter season will be as follows:

On Sundays there will be Holy Communion at 7:30 o'clock in the morning, children's service and address at 9:30 o'clock, morning service and sermon at 11 o'clock, confirmation class (till February 28) at 6 o'clock in the afternoon and evening service and address at 8 o'clock in the evening.

On Monday at 4:30 o'clock there will be Vesper services and on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 o'clock there will be Holy Communion. On Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock there will be confirmation classes, until March 3 and at 8 o'clock in the evening the class in applied religion. On Thursdays there will be Holy Communion at 9:30 o'clock in the morning, Bible class at 10 o'clock, and children's service with moving pictures of the Bible story at 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon. On Fridays there will be Vesper services at 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

#### PLAN BOWLING PARTY

The new Sunday school Young Men's class of the Congregational church, which meets at 10 o'clock Sunday morning in the north Neighborhood room of Community House, has planned an evening of bowling, Thursday, February 25, at 8 o'clock, at the Woman's club.

## ASK \$7,900 HERE FOR INFANT WELFARE WORK

### Winnetka Auxiliary of Chicago Commons Station Explains Work in Annual Fund Appeal

The Winnetka Center of the Infant Welfare society with Mrs. George Parker, chairman, is conducting a drive for the support of the Chicago Commons Infant Welfare station, commencing Monday, February 22.

"No civic welfare work is quite as essential to the maximum development of any community as infant welfare," Winnetka Infant Welfare leaders declare.

"There is a universal heart appeal connected with any necessary assistance when it is efficiently rendered directly to little babies, or indirectly to their mothers. We want our future generation to be built of strong, healthy men and women, who have been well treated by this country, and will be an asset. If we neglect to help the babies now, we will have cripples, morons and sickly young people taking their places in the community. We cannot afford to have this happen.

#### Have Three Classes

"The Winnetka Center of the Woman's Auxiliary is responsible for three classes of work carried on at the station. It includes the work for tiny babies, 2 to 6 year-olds, and expectant mothers.

"When a baby is brought to the Infant Welfare station, it is first weighed by volunteer workers who give their services without pay. The volunteer workers of the Chicago Commons station are furnished by the Winnetka Center.

#### Make Home Calls

"Every baby is called on in its home at least once a month by the station nurse. The nurse sees to it that the mother thoroughly understands the doctor's instructions and helps her with all her problems concerning the baby. Every effort is made to keep her baby breastfed for the advised length of time, but if a milk modification is necessary, the nurse teaches her this procedure. During 1925 the 513 babies cared for at the Chicago Commons station were called upon in their homes exactly 3,046 times.

"In the work with the pre-school child, very much the same routine is followed as with the babies except that a trained dietitian takes the place of the nurse and a nutrition conference for the 2-6 year olds is held once a week. Last year 251 little ones between the ages of 2 and 6 were cared for at the nutrition conferences of the Chicago Commons station. The total attendance was 977 and the dietitians made a total of 1,070 home visits.

#### Goal Set for \$7,900

"There is also a weekly prenatal conference conducted at the Chicago Commons station where last year 157 mothers were given care, and not only were the mothers given care, but it also meant that their babies were given the right start in life, and their chance of surviving the hazards of the first few weeks of life was increased tremendously.

"Our quota for 1926 is \$7,900 and we need the financial and moral support of every Winnetka resident.

"Please do not fail us!"