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## AWARD CONTRACT FOR NEW HIGHWAY SECTION

### H. G. Goelitz Company of Oak Park Gets Contract for Cen- ter Street Improvement

The contract for paving Center street south from Oak street to Winnetka avenue was let at the meeting of the Board of Local Improvements held Tuesday evening of this week. H. G. Goelitz of Oak Park, the low bidder, was awarded the contract. His bid was \$157,774.90, which was several thousand dollars below that of the nearest competitor.

Plans call for the immediate beginning of construction, and it is expected that the new road will be completed by mid-winter. This is a section of the new north shore through traffic highway, which will extend from the terminus of the McCormick boulevard at Railroad avenue, Evanston, north to the county line, and eventually to Waukegan.

Members of the board were informed at this meeting by Village Manager H. L. Woolhiser that only one answer had been received to advertisements for bids to wreck two houses and a shed which have to be removed to make way for the new road. This was a proposal from the Chicago House Wrecking company, which offered to remove the buildings without cost for the lumber that is in them.

#### Explains Difficulties

Village Manager H. L. Woolhiser explained to members of the board that only one of the buildings is worth removing intact, and that it is so large and would have to be moved such a distance that it would be difficult for any company which specializes in such business to make a profit on it. Efforts have been made to interest some one with property in the vicinity who would like to improve it with a home at a low cost.

The new road will be forty feet wide and of concrete construction. It will intersect Winnetka avenue about 200 feet west of the Chicago and North Western railroad right-of-way. Later the highway will be completed south from this point to the south limits of the village where it will connect with the Kenilworth section of the road. Part of the cost is to be borne by the county, by a special arrangement. It was the negotiations in regard to this county aid which delayed the proceedings for a considerable length of time.

H. G. Goelitz, the contractor employed to construct the road, is well known in Winnetka and along the north shore where he has put in a number of improvements. The stretch of Sheridan road through Winnetka was built by the Goelitz company more than ten years ago. The work of leveling and grading will begin within ten days, it is said.

#### RECOVER STOLEN CAR

Winnetka police recovered a car which had been stolen from L. F. Barnett, 684 Greenleaf avenue, Glen-coe, last Wednesday evening. The car was stolen from the front yard of Barnett's residence on Tuesday evening and was found abandoned in Winnetka. Police of both villages are investigating the theft.

## Coolidge Appoints North Shore Man to Commerce Position

President Coolidge has appointed William P. MacCracken, 1427 Edge-wood lane, Winnetka, as Assistant Secretary of Commerce under Secretary Hoover, it was announced this week.

Mr. MacCracken will organize the new department of Commercial Aviation, work he is eminently fitted for by long experience in aviation. During the World war he was an instructor of aviation at several fields in the south.

Mr. MacCracken, a graduate of the University of Chicago, is a junior partner in the law firm of Montgomery, Hart and Smith, and was last month elected to his second term as secretary of the American Bar association.

The new Secretary and his family have lived in Winnetka seven years, and leave a large circle of friends. They will make their home in Washington, D. C., where Mr. MacCracken has already gone. He will return to Winnetka in October to take the family East.

## Our Old Fan Mill Gives Way to Rush of Modern Demands

One of the last of the village landmarks is being moved, and those who have lived in Winnetka since the time when its sidewalks were three feet above ground, and the one telephone in town was in R. S. Moth's store, where the Winnetka Trust and Savings bank now stands, can find but few buildings that have withstood the growth and change so rapidly taking place in Winnetka.

On the corner of Linden and Cherry streets, an old house is being jacked up and moved away. It is tumble-down and ramshackle, but what house wouldn't be at more than seventy years of age!

This old house once housed one of Winnetka's first industries—a fan mill. It was here that Mr. Dinsmore made fans for blowing away chaff and dirt when grain was threshed. All kinds of fans were manufactured, and sent throughout the country.

And with no more farewell than a creak and groan as its old boards are ripped, this weather-stained landmark has gone.

#### PRESIDENT MILLER RETURNS

Village President John S. Miller is expected to return from his European trip today. Accompanied by his wife and small daughter he has spent several weeks in Scotland and England. During his absence Mrs. B. F. Langworthy has acted as president of the Village council.

#### SUBSTATION HEARING

Further consideration of the proposition of the Chicago, North Shore and Milwaukee railroad to build a substation on property adjacent to its right-of-way near Pine street will be held at a public hearing before the Board of Local Improvements next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at the Village hall.

## Insure Winnetka Day 'Gainst Shower of Rain

The Winnetka Chamber of Commerce, composed of 150 business men and women of Winnetka, Hubbard Woods and Indian Hill, who are sponsoring Winnetka Day, to be held on Thursday, August 19, are insuring against rain.

The expense of staging Winnetka Day amounts to several thousand dollars, which would all be lost if it happens to be a rainy day. A policy has been provided that will protect against loss if it rains one-tenth of an inch between 4 o'clock in the afternoon and 9 o'clock in the evening, during which hours the greatest crowd is expected on the grounds.

B. G. Eberle is placing this insurance.

## Guilford R. Windes Passes Illinois Bar Exam; Is Kent Grad

Guilford R. Windes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Windes, 873 Spruce street, has received word that he has passed the Illinois State Bar examination given last month.

Mr. Windes has been attending Chicago Kent College of Law for the past three years, taking the bar exam last month. He is the grandson of the late Hon. Judge Thomas Guilford Windes of the Circuit court.

At the time of graduation in June, from Kent college, Mr. Windes received the prize awarded to the member of the senior class who exhibited the "highest degree of proficiency in law and attendance."

During his sophomore year at the University of Michigan, he left school to enlist in the navy, serving until the Armistice was signed. He attended Northwestern university School of Commerce for three years after the war, and for the past three years has been attending Kent.

## Iredale Goes to Mayo Brothers for Treatment

Ray Iredale, manager of the Winnetka Iredale Fireproof Warehouse, at 560 Center street, left the village last Friday, August 6, to go to Mayo Brothers, Rochester, Minn.

Mr. Iredale will receive examination and treatment at the Mayo Brothers, and is uncertain concerning when he will return to the village.

Mr. and Mrs. Iredale and family are making their home at 855 Spruce street this summer.

#### OPENS MUSIC STORE

Clyde J. Davis, 545 Chestnut street, has recently opened a new Wurlitzer store on Main street, Evanston. The formal opening will be held later, it is announced. The store will carry a full line of musical instruments.

#### CLOSE FOR HOLIDAY

The Winnetka State bank and the Winnetka Trust and Savings bank will be closed after 12 o'clock Thursday, August 19, in observance of Winnetka Day, the annual community holiday sponsored by the Winnetka Chamber of Commerce.

## VILLAGERS READY FOR ANNUAL WINNETKA DAY

### Great Street Procession to In- augurate Community Holi- day Thursday, August 19

Winnetkans and visitors within her borders this week-end received added enthusiasm over the coming annual event Thursday, August 19, when the street and other exterior decorations for Winnetka day were flung to the breeze, Thursday morning.

Winnetka day is under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce, which has engaged the Chicago Flag and Decorating company to put the streets and business section of the village in gala attire. Residences throughout the village, which it is expected will also be decorated for the occasion, will be looked after by each individual resident, and the Chamber of Commerce is desirous that all, or as many as possible, decorate.

#### Complete Arrangements

All arrangements are in readiness at West End park where the festivities will be conducted. Nothing has been left undone to make this the banner celebration of the village. Even the weather man, the only source from which disappointment in plans might be anticipated, has been given a stiff challenge by an insurance policy indemnifying the Winnetka day promoters against financial loss in the event of rain.

The parade will form at 9:30 o'clock, west on Elm from Linden, moving at 10:15 sharp. The column will be headed by the Evanston Civic band of twenty-five pieces, followed by the Police department, the Fire department, Rotary club, Village of Winnetka, Chamber of Commerce. The remainder of the column to be made up by other participants in the order of their arrival.

#### List Field Events

The afternoon program at the park, beginning at 2 o'clock, comprises a long list of races and special events as follows:

- Fifty yard race for women employes.
- One hundred yard race for men employes.
- Fifty yard race for Postoffice employes (backward race).
- Fifty yard race for women (non employes).
- Twenty-five yard race for boys, 6 to 7 years.
- Fifty yard race for boys, 8 to 10 years.
- Twenty-five yard race for girls, 6 to 7 years.
- Fifty yard race for girls 8 to 10 years.
- Twenty-five yard race for boys and girls, 5 years and under.
- Fifty yard horseback race, for boys 12 years and under.
- Married Men's race (backward) 20 yards, pick up object, turn and run forward 20 yards.
- Girls' and boys' 3-legged race, open, 50 yards.
- Young men's race, 50 years and over, 50 yards.
- Relay race, (4 to a team) women and girls, 50 yards.
- Relay race, (4 to a team) men and boys, (2 of each) 50 yards.
- Human wheelbarrow race, open (gloves to be worn).
- Tug-of-war—married man and single men.
- Race between Police and Fire departments (4 to a team) 50 yards.
- Light weights race (those over 200) 50 yards.
- Shoe race (boys).
- Shoe race (girls).

First, second and third prizes will be awarded in all the foregoing events, (Continued on Page 6)