



# Winnetka Congregational Church

Sunday, September 5

MORNING—

11:00 Morning Worship.  
Sermon by Rev. Thos. A. Goodwin.  
Subject: "Who Governs You?"  
The Lord's Supper will be observed.  
Service this week is especially for  
young people attending schools and  
colleges.

EVENING—

8:00 Evening Worship.  
Sermon by Mr. Goodwin. Subject:  
"The Heritage of Labor."

## PUBLIC FORUM

Editor's Note: Accompanying is an open letter directed to the President and Trustees of the Village of Winnetka by Frank Poulpos, Elm street fruit merchant regarding the matter of alleged unsanitary conditions at his place of business. It is published at the request of Mr. Poulpos.

Winnetka, Ill., Sep. 1, 1926.

To the PRESIDENT  
and TRUSTEES,  
Village of Winnetka.  
Gentlemen:

Poulpos Brothers for seventeen years have engaged in the Village of Winnetka in the business of vending fruits and vegetables. During all these years, until recently, there has been no occasion for friction with your Health department or Health Officer, the interests of all parties being manifestly harmonious, or, may I put it, the interest of Poulpos Brothers in maintaining sanitary conditions is personal and constant, while that of the Village may be said to be only general.

Recently the duty of inspection under the ordinance has been improperly delegated in such a manner that a visiting nurse has been exercising this function instead of the Health Officer, Dr. Schneider. In July this nurse called at my store, took exception to the fact that a toilet cover in my basement was cracked, and also to the presence of certain ash (not garbage) receptacles without covers in the private alley which connects with public alley

at the rear of my store. What she complained of had nothing whatever to do with sanitary conditions, and I explained patiently that the receptacles in question were not mine, and that they were placed there for the use of tenants in the building. My receptacle was on the other side of the alley duly covered. It was insisted that I must provide covers for the cans, and the nurse left to make a report criticising my place and in the same report making similar criticisms against about a dozen Winnetka business places.

I draw your attention to the fact that prejudicial notoriety has been given to my place alone, and two local newspapers have published the matter, stating further that prosecution had been begun against me. I have waited for the prosecution mentioned in order to receive prompt vindication, but I now learn that (without any solicitation from me) it has been determined to "drop the prosecution," which, so far as my knowledge extends, has never been started.

I wish to point out there have never been unsanitary conditions about my place, either at the time in question, or at any other time. This, I believe, is sufficiently shown by the fact that my immediate neighbors are persons likely to complain of such conditions if they existed, and none of them have in fact complained. I have for a long time been paying the Village for the daily removal of all garbage, and my place is always thoroughly cleared at the close of each day.

Without argument on my part you will readily see the injustice of publications which could not be otherwise than damaging to my business. False statements of similar import have been given to two local newspapers, evidently by some village official, and without waiting for any determination of fact after a hearing.

May I request your honorable body to cause due inquiry to be made to the end that the person responsible for this situation may be properly disciplined.

Respectfully yours,  
Frank Poulpos  
801 Elm street,  
Winnetka, Ill.

Mrs. John Eckhart, 1031 Ash street, who is at her summer home at Lake Beulah, will have as her guests over the week-end, her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Gerding and their family, also of 1031 Ash street.

Mrs. Frederick Hurlbutt, 934 Pine street, with her baby daughter, Barbara, will leave today for Boston to remain a month with her parents.

Mrs. Rudolph Matz and Miss Ruth Matz, 1005 Sheridan road, have gone to Portland, Maine, to spend a month.

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