

# WINNETKA TALK

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## "FOLLIES AFLOAT" ON WAY TO OUR VILLAGE

Square Club of Winnetka Masons Sponsor Musical Comedy-Minstrel Production

Fifty-two people, almost equally divided as to sex, spent last Tuesday evening in strenuous rehearsal for the new and unique musical comedy-minstrel which will be presented December 8 and 9 at Skokie school, Winnetka, by the Square Club of Masons.

A cast of ten, a chorus of twenty men and twenty dancing girls comprise this group. To co-ordinate the efforts of such a large number is no easy task, but George Brainbridge, a well known producer, is repeating previous successes in this effort so that chaos is rapidly changing to a semblance of order and smoothness.

### Comedy and Minstrel

"Follies Afloat" is a combination of musical comedy and minstrel fun. A plot, used to carry a light story through the action of the piece, has to do with the experiences of "Colonel Farren" and his friends, who depart for a cruise on the good ship "Winnetka." Whether they sail over "Lake Skokie" is not disclosed, but enough has been heard of the plot to indicate that it bubbles with fun.

The cast which makes this plot known to the audience will be as follows:

Colonel Farren .....W. L. Chambers  
Marie .....Dorothy Root  
Eva .....Mrs. E. G. Stubbs  
Henry .....Charles J. Eastman  
Gus .....Armour G. Park  
Miss Taken .....Mrs. Chas. Sommer  
Hal .....L. C. Odh  
Captain .....Edward Cole  
Mate .....W. A. Snyder  
Cabin Boy .....E. J. Flannery

### Secure Fine Talent

Many in this cast have had considerable dramatic experience along the north shore. Mrs. Stubbs will be remembered for her work with the North Shore Players particularly in "Peg of My Heart" in which she was most effective. Mr. Flannery has appeared in several amateur productions and Mr. Snyder was one of the hits of the Indian Hill Minstrel last year. Mr. Park and Mr. Eastman, who will portray two colored boys, have had years of amateur experience. Mr. Eastman having been prominent in several of the Theatre Guild and Community Drama club plays.

### Many Feature Numbers

But, aside from the cast, there will be specialty and feature numbers of quality and quantity. A jazzy band headed by Vernon Carlstrand, vocal specialties by Sherman Orwig, George Rettie, W. A. Snyder and others combined with sixteen attractive and active dancing girls in numerous appearances would seem to indicate a full and pleasant evening. Some of the girls who will make up this chorus are, Lois Nordburg, Alice Feakins, Bernice Carlstrand, Constance Park, Olive Eason, Helen Tuells, Clara George, Doris Fraser, Kathryn Edinger, Inez Webster, Dorothy Hartman, Ruth Maddock, Jane Gillespie, Lois Johnson and Margaret Crocker. Members of the male chorus include

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## Come to Our Bazaar! Plea of Girls' Club

(By Nancy Jack Gordon, New Trier Girls' club.)

Every year, just before Christmas, the Girls' club of New Trier has a Christmas bazaar. This year it is to be held Saturday, December 4. The object of this bazaar is to raise money for the Scholarship fund for girls who are financially unable to continue their college education.

In every year's graduating class there are girls with a brilliant high school record who would like to go to college but are unable to do so because of lack of funds. The Girls' club makes it possible for these girls to continue their education by the loan of money to be returned to the club treasury after they have completed their college courses.

The booths at the bazaar are to be conducted by the girls' advisor rooms.

Don't forget that the bazaar is for the express purpose of helping girls obtain a college education, and come and help us make it a success. Last year we made over \$1,800 and this year we hope to make over \$2,000. Don't forget, December 4. Won't you help us?

## Waiting List Anxious to Secure Recital Admission

Winnetka residents who do not hold tickets to the Music club artist-recitals will have an opportunity to secure tickets for Monday evening, December 6, to hear Cecelia Hansen, violinist. Patrons who are unable to attend the recital have been asked to leave their tickets with Mrs. Bessie Grant, at the Winnetka State bank.

Mrs. Grant will dispose of them to persons who are on the waiting list for tickets. Even with this provision for those not holding tickets, there will be many disappointments, as in the case of the Schipa recital.

Miss Hansen is to give her recital in the New Trier auditorium. She is regarded as the foremost woman violinist of the day. She has been received enthusiastically by audiences and critics since her American debut in 1922.

## Christ Church Fellowship to Present Plays Dec. 10

The members of the Young People's Fellowship of Christ church are hard at work preparing two one-act plays to be given Friday evening, December 10, in the Jane Kuppenheimer Memorial hall at Skokie school.

Following the plays a good orchestra will furnish music for dancing in the William G. Hibbard Memorial gymnasium.

Tickets may be had from members of the Fellowship or at the Parish House office.

The profits from the sale of tickets are to be used for the Service Fund of the Fellowship.

### SUMMONED BY ILLNESS

Dr. and Mrs. J. O. Ely have been summoned to West Alexander, Pa., by the illness of a sister of Dr. Ely.

## REPEAT GLEE SHOW

North Shore Glee Club Gets Enthusiastic Reception in Second Performance and Plans Two More

The North Shore Glee club gave a most successful concert out at St. Norbert's Catholic church on the Waukegan road a week ago, and reported an enthusiastic audience.

But the local boys are branching out, and it is reported that they are booked for two more appearances in their now famous minstrel show. St. Bonifas parish in Chicago is making plans to have the show given there, and one other parish, the name as yet unannounced, will probably invite the local boys to appear before an audience they will supply.

Professor B. N. Hutton, the director of the club, is also in charge of other similar organizations. One of the groups he directs in Chicago invited the North Shore club to attend a meeting of theirs, Thursday, November 18, in Chicago. Both clubs gave musical numbers, followed by the amusing raffling off of food supplies, one large goose being won by Walter Klauke.

The regular meeting night for the club is Monday. The last meeting was held in the home of Harry Roberts of 1005 Vine avenue, Winnetka, at 8 o'clock, November 22. At this time, election of officers was held, the following leaders being chosen for the coming year. Jack Schultz was elected chairman, Peter Meilenger, re-elected as secretary and treasurer, who, together with Joseph Brown, will act as trustees.

Based on an invulnerable reputation, George Walkey was elected permanent cook for as long as the club shall exist. After the first meeting in January, which will probably take place January 3, the chairman will appoint other such officers as may be needed.

Plans for the coming year include the renting of a permanent hall in which to meet. This will take place about February 1. The club also announces that new members are welcome, as the club is still in need of tenor voices.

## Injured When Struck by Auto, James C. Linn Dies

The sudden death of James Clapper Linn of Hollywood, Cal., formerly of Winnetka, occurred Saturday morning, November 20, the result of an accident which occurred on Friday.

While crossing the street on the way to his club Mr. Linn was struck by an automobile, the injuries he received resulting in his death the following day. The inquest was held Monday, and services were conducted Tuesday.

Mr. Linn lived in Winnetka six or more years at 286 Ridge avenue, and had many friends and acquaintances in the village. He is survived by his wife, and two sons, Howard Linn of Chicago, who has gone West to be with his mother, and Ross Linn, who is also with his mother in Hollywood.

Mr. Linn was interested in the real estate business in Winnetka, and continued in that work in California.

## DR. HOWARD A. ORVIS NAMED HEALTH OFFICER

Expert on Public Health Selected by Village Council: Gives Full Time

Dr. Howard A. Orvis of Grass Lake, Mich., a graduate of the University of Michigan, this week was appointed health officer for Winnetka by the Village council.

Because of the rapid growth of Winnetka and the consequent increase in problems involving the health of the community, such as milk and water supply, sewage disposal, inspection of food establishments and food handlers, health supervision in the public schools, in addition to the ordinary control of communicable disease, the Village council has for sometime been considering the necessity of placing the position of health officer on a full time basis. After careful consideration and discussion, a resolution was adopted in June providing for the employment of a full time health officer, with adequate medical and public health training and experience, to handle the health work of the village.

The present health officer, Dr. C. O. Schneider, who has served the Village faithfully and efficiently for many years, is unable to devote his entire time to health work, and it therefore became necessary for the council to find someone else for the position.

### Select Michigan Man

After considering the qualifications of some forty physicians who applied for the position, and after interviewing a number of candidates, the council has acted favorably on the recommendation of the Village Manager that Dr. Howard A. Orvis of Grass Lake, Mich., be engaged as full time health officer, beginning January 2, 1927.

Dr. Orvis has been selected after a most careful consideration of his professional and personal qualifications, not only by the Village Council but by a number of Winnetka physicians who have met him and approve of his selection.

Dr. Orvis is a graduate in medicine from the University of Buffalo and from the department of public health of the University of Michigan. He is a practicing physician and also health officer of a community of about five thousand people at Grass Lake, near Ann Arbor, Michigan.

### Praised by Specialists

Dr. John Sundwall, director of the department of public health of the University of Michigan, has the following to say of Dr. Orvis:

"I regard Dr. Orvis as unusually well qualified for the position of health officer. I know of no one better equipped to do this work. Winnetka has a rare opportunity in securing his services. Dr. Orvis has completed public health courses for master of science in public health. He has done special work in public health administration, school health supervision and health education. His work here is of the very highest order."

Dr. Orvis comes also with the endorsement of John E. Bunker, formerly a resident of Winnetka at 656

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