

3,000 SUBSCRIBERS ON MEMORIAL ROSTER

Campaign to Raise Funds for Memorial to Gold Star Men Now on "Home Stretch"

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The drive to raise funds to build the Winnetka Memorial to the ten Gold Star heroes is proving to be one of the big things of this village. It was begun about a month ago and at first, as such things go, it moved rather slowly; in fact very few people knew that anything was going on.

The campaign committee, however, was laying their far-reaching plans to bring to every house in the village the news that a great opportunity was to be offered the mto pay just honor to the Gold Star men. So well did they lay their plans that, as WINNETKA TALK goes to press, about 3,000 persons have subscribed to the Memorial fund. This means that the Memorial is to be a real Winnetka honor for the Gold Star men, not from a few of our well-to-do citizens, but from a great majority of the People who are so proud of their place of residence that "Winnetka spirit" has become a familiar expression in many parts of the United States.

Gives Results to Date

What were these plans that the crafty committee thought out? First: to raise \$15,000 by general subscription throughout the village. What has happened? Why, over two-thirds of that amount has now been subscribed. Second: to have about 100 men underwrite \$25,000 to cover any possible cost of the Memorial over the \$15,000. What has happened? A sufficient amount has already been underwritten to make sure that enough funds are now in sight to guarantee the complete cost of the Memorial over \$15,000.

Well may Winnetka feel proud to have responded so generously to the Memorial Fund. The general committee, however, wishes it to be generally understood that the Winnetka Post of the American Legion voted that the Memorial should be in honor of the Gold Star men and not of all the service men. Furthermore it is expressed wish of the Gold Star parents that the Memorial should be on the Village Green and not of utilitarian type. There are many who have not yet subscribed and these are requested to send their subscription blanks properly filled out to John R. Leonard, treasurer, 861 Bryant avenue. Every home in Winnetka will want to have a part in this beautiful Memorial.

TEACHERS IN MEETING

A meeting of the teachers of the church school of the Winnetka Congregational church will be held Wednesday evening, December 8, at 8 o'clock, at the church library.

"Christmas Carol" Is Drama Club Xmas Gift

Dickens' "Christmas Carol," the "Scrooge play," with little Tiny Tim, and jolly old Fezziwig, Scrooge with his mean disposition, and his gloomy old office, Scrooge with his dream, and the happy ending to one of the favorite Christmas plays, will be given by the Community Drama club, Wednesday and Thursday evenings, December 15 and 16, at 8:15, in Matz hall, Community House.

As is customary with the club, there is no charge for either performance, of the Christmas play, everyone being invited to attend.

KIDDIES' XMAS FETE

Winnetka Masons Make Arrangements for Annual Christmas Party for Children in Families of Masons

Every year the Masons of Winnetka are responsible for a gala affair in the nature of a children's Christmas party and this year will not be an exception. Announcement has been made that on December 18 from 2 to 4 o'clock in the afternoon all children of Masons living in Winnetka are to be welcome. Members of Winnetka lodge, the Eastern Star and Skokie Chapter R. A. M., will be the hosts and hostesses at the Masonic temple.

Rumor has it that Santa Claus will be on hand with his usual bag of tricks and presents for each child have been assured. Add to this games, entertainment and refreshments and it would seem that a capacity attendance could be expected.

The committee in charge calls particular attention to the fact that children of all Masons are invited without regard as to whether the father may be a member of Winnetka lodge. The only limitation is that the party be limited to children of twelve and under in the matter of years.

U. of W. Educator to Address P. T. A. Meeting Next Month

An announcement of much interest regarding the general Parent-Teacher association in Winnetka, is that of a meeting of the entire association to be held in January at the Skokie school. Prof. M. V. O'Shea of the University of Wisconsin is to be the speaker of the evening. Professor O'Shea has been an enthusiastic worker for the P. T. A. movement since its beginning, it is explained.

Further announcement is made that Winnetka rates only 50 per cent response in membership in the P. T. A. This is far below the hopes of the organization, and all parents are being urged to join in the interest of their children, as well as for their own pleasure and benefit. Information regarding membership, and applications for membership may be had from Mrs. Frederick B. Thomas of 680 Walden road, telephone Winnetka 794, it is stated.

On December 7, Mrs. J. Lawrence Onderdonk of 190 Linden street, social chairman for Skokie school, will entertain at a tea for teachers and room chairmen of Skokie school, and for the members of Principal Logan's staff, in her home. Mrs. Onderdonk will be assisted by Mrs. Arnold W. Totman of 808 Sunset road, Mrs. George W. Kreer, and Mrs. Thomas H. Holton of 938 Pine street.



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Buck's Boss Here



Gen. Henry J. Reilly, formerly Colonel of the 149th Field Artillery, during the war, will be the speaker at the meeting of Winnetka Post, No. 10, American Legion, Monday evening, December 6. At this time General Reilly will also present Immediate Past Commander Edward R. Lewis with a Past Commander's badge for services rendered the Legion during 1926. General Reilly was the well known leader of "Reilly's Bucks," whose achievements on the field of battle have gone down in glorified history. He is a former resident of Winnetka.

Christ Church Group to Stage Two Dramas

Friday evening, December 10, at 8 o'clock, the Young People's Fellowship of Christ church will present two one-act plays, entitled "Such a Charming Young Man," and "The Wonder Hat," for the benefit of their Service fund. The following members of the Fellowship make up the casts, Misses Adelia Barroll, Jeanne Street, Grace Smith, Mary Tibbals and Ingeborg Lincoln, the Messrs. John Merrill, Gordon De Lay, Charles Kennedy, Roderick Johnstone, Stiles Burr and John Main.

The plays will be given in the Jane Kuppenheimer Memorial hall at Skokie school, and after the performance there will be dancing in the William G. Hibbard Memorial gymnasium. Tickets may be had from members of the Fellowship or from Miss Holgate in the Parish House office.

Make Plans for Annual Every-Member Canvass

The Every Member canvass of the parish of the Winnetka Congregational church for the funds for the support of the church, for the church's share in the support of Community House and for the benevolence of the parish, including Onward Neighborhood House, and the Missions in China and India, will be made next Sunday afternoon. A total of \$67,000 is the sum needed. Merritt Lum is chairman of the church finance committee.

A meeting of the men who are to make the canvass was held Monday evening to formulate plans for the campaign. The parish has been divided into eight zones with a captain and workers assigned to each.

MOVE INTO NEW HOME

Howard C. Alley and family, formerly of Chicago, have moved into the home formerly occupied by Dr. Frank W. Blanchard, at 32 Indian road.

CONGREGATION PLANS \$260,000 STRUCTURE

Jewish Church Organization Votes Unanimously to Proceed With Building Program

The North Shore Congregation Israel, at a dinner at Community House, Winnetka, Monday evening, unanimously adopted reports from its building and finance committees on the question of building a religious center, work on which is to go forward at once. The new building will be located at the northwest corner of Vernon and Lincoln avenues, Glencoe, and the estimated cost of the proposed improvement is \$260,000.

Diagrams and drawings of the building were at each place at the Monday evening dinner, and also were thrown upon the screen as a further guide to the explanation which was given in detail by the architect, Alfred E. Alschuler, a member of the community and congregation.

Sufficient funds have already been subscribed to guarantee the completion of the project, according to the report of Samuel Goodham, chairman of the finance committee. The building will house separate Synagogue auditorium and assembly hall, ten class rooms and facilities for social activities.

Group Seven Years Old

Thus, in the seventh year of the life of the congregation, the latter finds itself ready to proceed with the matter of erecting its own home, a plan which it has had in mind for a long time. Last year this desire became so strong that it was decided to proceed, the first step being the purchase of the building site.

At the annual meeting on June 7, the congregation approved the general proposition of proceeding with the preliminary building plans, and instructed the Board of Directors to organize building and finance committees, and to report back their findings. During the past summer and fall these committees worked out their plans—the ones which were unanimously approved at the meeting Monday evening.

It was much to the regret of all present that Harry N. Gottlieb was absent. Mr. Gottlieb is president of the Congregation and has been the moving spirit in its affairs since its inception. A telegram informing Mr. Gottlieb of the result of the meeting was dispatched upon the suggestion of the chairman and the ready approval of the Congregation.

In Which Tom Wheatley Essays Role of Maiden

French maids, as a usual thing, are supposed to be chic, dimpled females. It is, therefore, something of a departure to find a mere man attempting to portray such a character. Such is the case, however, in "Follies Afloat," the musical-minstrel to be given next Wednesday and Thursday at Skokie school by Winnetka Masons.

Thomas Wheatley is the one who will attempt to perform in this unusual way. Luckily, he has a strong supporting cast, one that can come to his assistance, if necessary when he fares forth in the costume of the delectable maid and the young bloods in the audience make a dash stage-ward.

PREACHES IN CHICAGO

Rev. James Austin Richards of the Winnetka Congregational church, delivered the sermon at the Union services at Saint Andrew's Reformed Episcopal church, 99th street and Prospect avenue, Chicago, Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. His sermon topic was, "One Hundred Percent Americanism."