

News of the North Shore Clubs

Voters Plan Forum for North Shore

Three Leagues Join in Arranging Legislative Forum for All Interested

January 10 has been set aside as the date for the legislative forum to be held in Community House. The Kenilworth, Lake Forest, and Winnetka Leagues of Women Voters are co-operating to make this a most successful forum. There is to be a morning and afternoon legislative session with a buffet luncheon served during the noon hour.

The general committee in charge of the program includes, Mrs. Walter L. Benson of Winnetka, chairman; Mrs. Mark W. Cresap, president of the Kenilworth league; Mrs. George Richardson, president of the Lake Forest league; Mrs. M. H. Lieber, legislative chairman for the Winnetka league, who will attend the sessions of the legislature at Springfield and bring back her report; Mrs. William B. Hale of Winnetka, Mrs. Leslie M. Gooder of Winnetka, and Mrs. John N. VanderVries, president of the Winnetka league.

Tickets for the legislative forum will be sold by the three leagues conducting this school. The committee urges every league member, or anyone interested, to save this date, January 10.

Woman's Club Gives Xmas Party for its Children

The Children's Christmas party to be given by the Woman's club of Wilmette Wednesday afternoon, December 29, at 2:30 o'clock, promises to be of absorbing interest to every child. Miss Bertha Iles, who has been in charge of the children's activities on the Municipal Pier, is to have the direction of the children's play to be given. She is bringing her players with her.

Santa Claus promises to be there, and promises to have enough left over from Christmas to give a present to every child. Refreshments will be served.

Merrill Lectures Begin in Glencoe Next Month

Sponsored by the Woman's Library club of Glencoe, and commencing Monday, January 10, Mrs. Anthony French Merrill begins her Glencoe course of lectures on books and current events, at the Glencoe Union church, at 10 o'clock. For twelve successive weeks the talks will continue at the same price that has been charged previously.

Proceeds above the expenses of the lectures will go to the club building fund, it is announced.

Subscribers to the course are reminded of the date, and those who wish to join the group attending the course, will be most welcome, the committee states.

Either applications or checks may be sent to Mrs. Henry T. Smith, 710 Bluff street, or to Mrs. Franklin M. deBeers, 815 Grove street, Glencoe.

ASSOCIATION HEAD

Hobart P. Young of Winnetka was named vice president of the Chicago Athletic association by the nominating committee last Saturday. The annual election will be held on January 25.

Gladden War Vets

The Woman's club of Wilmette has been right in step with its neighboring clubs in Yuletide work, as the following report of its committee for co-operation with ex-service men shows: "The last month has been a busy one for the ex-service committee of the Woman's club of Wilmette. The successful sale of December 1, over, plans were made for the Christmas celebration at Great Lakes at the regular monthly meeting which was held at the home of Mrs. A. N. Clagett, 425 Lake avenue.

"For several years the Woman's club committee has furnished Christmas boxes and entertainment for its unit. This year at the request of the Tenth district chairman, we sent a donation of money to the Red Cross, that it might buy articles for the boxes in order that the seven hundred patients might be treated uniformly.

"Last Monday, members of the committee and of the Woman's club helped pack the boxes and prepare the stockings at the hospital.

"On the same day, a celebration for its unit, West 31, was given by the committee. Donations of fruit, home made candy, cookies, cartons of cigarettes, records, and magazines were taken. To each of the twenty-five men was given a package, attractively tied in Christmas wrappings, containing handkerchiefs, a new pack of cards, postage stamps, postal cards, cigarettes and matches. Mrs. W. A. Richardson gave a program of recitations, and both veterans and their visitors enjoyed the visit exceedingly.

"The committee wishes to thank all the friends, who, by donating so generously of money, cigarettes, fruit, records, and all else, have helped to gladden the lives at Great Lakes, the committee also expresses its thanks to those who have given a year's subscription to The Chicago Daily Tribune (3), The American Magazine (1), Asia (1), Adventure (1), Western Story (1), New York Times Mid-Week Pictorial (1), for Veteran's hospital 105.

"Through its friends, the committee has been able to meet two urgent demands at Great Lakes; it has placed a victrola in the contagious ward, where the men had no amusements and were asking for a victrola; and has supplied warm underwear, a suit, overcoat, and shoes to a man who literally had no clothing of his own. He was wearing garments that had to be returned to the Dayton Soldiers' home."

CLUB TO ELECT OFFICERS

The Kenilworth Home and Garden club will hold its annual meeting on Monday, January 10, at the home of Mrs. Charles D. Howe of 240 Kenilworth avenue, president of the club. At this time reports will be made by committees and officers and the election of officers for the coming year will take place.

READS OWN POETRY

Polly Chase Boyden of Winnetka (Mrs. Preston Boyden) was one of a group of six young Chicago poets who read from their own works at a luncheon and meeting held by the Poetry Lovers of America at the Palmer House Sunday, December 10.

Mothers and Children Will Be Guests at Christmas Party

A Christmas party for mothers and children at the Chicago Commons is being arranged by the Winnetka branch of the Infant Welfare society of Chicago for Tuesday, December 28.

A handkerchief will be given to each adult, the donation of Mrs. Ralph Hobart and Mrs. Philip Wyatt Moore. Mrs. Horace Armstrong will donate the candy, Mrs. Morris Wilson the boxes in which to pack the candy which will be given to each one present. Harry Edmonds will donate a moving picture to entertain the group. Herman Bartholomay will operate the motion picture machine, and Mrs. Ernest vonAmmon will sing songs.

Mrs. Harry Edmonds and her daughter, Betty, Mrs. Harve G. Badgerow and her daughter, Louise, Mrs. Ballard Bradley, Mrs. Morris Wilson and Mrs. Dwight Green are to take charge of the party at the Commons. The annual meeting of the Winnetka board will be held January 17, when officers will be elected and reports of the year's activity made. The meeting will be held in the home of the president, Mrs. George Stanley Parker, 200 Linden street, Winnetka.

Glencoe Woman Heads Alliance Committee

Mrs. Harold G. Sperling of 125 Crescent drive, Glencoe, is chairman of the social committee of the Alliance Francaise, an organization working in co-operation with Northwestern university and the University of Chicago, to establish better relations between the French and American nations, through the people, it is stated.

Mrs. Sperling's committee consists of Miss Marion Dixon, Miss Eleanor Holden, Miss Harriet Prentiss, Miss Mary Tabor, Miss Dorothea Felt, Miss Genevieve Scully, Miss Marie Dreyfus, Miss Olive Hulbert, Mrs. Walter Bracken, Mrs. Carl Whitcomb and Mrs. Ernest Didot. Vice-chairmen of this committee are Mrs. Edward J. Brundage of Lake Forest and Mrs. D. E. Tiel of the same village.

Another Glencoe representative in the organization is Mrs. A. C. Babize of 484 Sheridan road, who is a member of the extension committee.

Book Talks at League Open to All Interested

The North Shore Catholic Woman's league will have the next of the series of book talks by Mrs. Anthony French Merrill, Tuesday, January 4, at the home of Mrs. William Schneider of 911 Vernon avenue, Glencoe. Everyone interested in these talks, in books and in current events is invited to attend.

The league is planning to hold its regular sewing meeting Tuesday, December 28, at 2 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. L. J. Hillman of 345 Park avenue, Glencoe.

TANK BATTALION BANQUET

A number of Winnetka members were present Monday at the banquet held by the 321st Tank Battalion, Reserve Officers association of Cook county, at the University club. Maj. James E. White, newly elected president, was guest of honor. Lieut. Philip E. Miller, golf champion of the association, was presented with a gold cup by Maj. Henry M. Huxley, its commander.

Women Fifty Percent Power in Politics

Responsibility for Effecting State Government Half Up to Its Women

Fifty per cent of the political power in the state of Illinois today belongs to women—likewise fifty per cent of the responsibility for every mean and degrading or good and worthwhile thing that is done by the government, according to Mrs. J. Paul Goode, representative from the fifth district to the state legislature. Mrs. Goode spoke before the students of the National Kindergarten and Elementary college recently as one of the lecturers in the series on "Americanization" which is given at the college this year.

Mrs. Goode outlined the broad field of work which has opened up before the woman of today with the taking of the various enterprises and industries out of the home and into the factories. "Up until the last fifty years woman was always responsible for the many duties connected with rearing children, providing food and shelter and clothing, caring for the sick and aged, educating the children, but she carried on all these lines of activity in her own home," said Mrs. Goode. "If a woman was energetic and capable there was nothing to prevent her having things right for her children within her home.

"The introduction of science into the affairs of the home changed matters entirely and took out of the home and into the factory many things which had always been carried on under the careful supervision of women. For three reasons woman failed to follow up and supervise these industries in the factories and under civic control—she was tied to her home by tradition, legitimate perhaps under former conditions but now outworn, that woman's place first, last and always, is in her home, and that she could not undertake outside duties without neglecting those at home. In the second place, she did not have the ballot, the only tool for effective work outside, and third—she was accustomed to the 'Individual method' and it took a long time for her to learn to co-operate."

Mrs. Goode pointed out, however, that these handicaps have now been removed—"You are able to co-operate, you have the ballot, traditions have let up on you—is it too much to hope that with all this somehow or other you will see to it that government in your day will not be the disgrace to the country that it is in this day?"

Garden Club Elects Officers in January

The Wilmette Garden club will hold its regular meeting, Friday, January 7, at the home of Mrs. Walter Gore Mitchell of 1009 Oakwood avenue, Wilmette, at 2:30 o'clock.

The program planned will be especially interesting, since Miss Winifred Bright, the Wilmette children's librarian, will speak on "Travels in Poetry." A musical program is also being arranged, the artist to be announced later.

The installation of the new officers of the club will take place at this meeting.