

# Submit Plans for \$660,000 Congregational Structure

## CALL CONGREGATION TO PONDER FUND CAMPAIGN

### Tentative Plans Contemplate Edifice of Magnificent Beauty to Replace Present Church

On Wednesday evening, May 25, Winnetka will learn whether or not it is to have a new Winnetka Congregational Church structure in the near future. A big meeting of the congregation has been called for that date, to be held in Matz hall to decide whether or not the Financial committee shall be instructed to proceed with a building subscription campaign in the fall.

This meeting is to be the culmination of six years of work by committees which have studied the problem of a new church, which have examined sites, conferred with architects, examined church structures in every part of the country, and had sketches of a proposed new church drawn.

The reports of the Building committee and Finance committee have been informally approved by the church council and are now being presented to the church membership for discussion prior to the final ballot May 25.

### Want Subscription Drive

While the Finance committee has heartily endorsed the proposal of the Building committee, it has recommended that the church should not incur heavy indebtedness in the erection of a new structure. Rather, that a subscription campaign should be undertaken, the amount which can be raised upon five-year subscriptions determined, and plans for a new church drawn which will come within the amount subscribed.

While this very practical and business-like method is being heartily endorsed, the Finance committee has given its assurance to the Church council and to the church that it believes that the \$650,000 required to materialize the proposal of the Building committee can be raised. As proof, it has approached sixteen members of the congregation known for their generosity to the church and have their assurance that if the church determines to go ahead with the structure proposed, their subscriptions will amount to \$288,000.

### Discussion Campaign

During the three weeks preceding the final ballot, a Committee of Twenty-One appointed by the Church



The proposed new Winnetka Congregational Church with Church House. The architect has said, "It will not be period Gothic. It will be Gothic so vitally alive with truth that one will not seek to place it in chronological order, or ally it with any building extant, or see it as a copy of any buildings."

council is conducting a discussion campaign for the purpose of giving every member of the church an opportunity to examine in detail the building proposal. An attractive booklet presenting the viewpoint of the committees

which have been at work, has been written and mailed to every home in the parish. During the past week, ten meetings have been held in the homes of church members, twelve meetings are planned for the coming week, and

twelve additional meetings for the following week. Invitations are being mailed to those living in the neighborhood of each meeting, and everyone interested in the plans is urged to attend one of the meetings before the final ballot.

The twelve meetings scheduled for the coming week are to be held as follows:

### Meetings Next Week

Monday evening: Mr. and Mrs. Arlan Converse, 396 Hawthorne lane; Mr. and Mrs. William T. Wersted, 906 Cherry street.

Tuesday evening: Mrs. David S. Lasier, 731 Lincoln avenue; Mrs. Frederick W. Burlingham, 630 Maple avenue.

Wednesday evening: Mr. and Mrs. Stanley P. Farwell, 1412 Scott avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Anderson, 331 Walnut street; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel F. Stilling, 159 Bertling lane.

Thursday evening: Misses Gemmell, 812 Lincoln avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Meleney, 1097 Oak street.

## TWELVE MEETINGS

Members of the Winnetka Congregational church have been invited to attend neighborhood discussion meetings next week at which the proposition to erect the new church edifice will be considered. These meetings have been scheduled as follows:

MONDAY EVENING: Mr. and Mrs. Arlan Converse, 396 Hawthorne lane; Mr. and Mrs. William T. Wersted, 906 Cherry street.

TUESDAY EVENING: Mrs. David S. Lasier, 731 Lincoln avenue; Mrs. Frederick W. Burlingham, 630 Maple avenue.

WEDNESDAY EVENING: Mr. and Mrs. Stanley P. Farwell, 1412 Scott avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Anderson, 331 Walnut street; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel F. Stilling, 159 Bertling lane.

THURSDAY EVENING: Misses Gemmell, 812 Lincoln avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Meleney, 1097 Oak street.

FRIDAY EVENING: Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Windes, 873 Spruce street; Mr. and Mrs. Edward P. Farwell, 1206 Asbury avenue; Mr. and Mrs. Carl J. Easterberg, 1086 Cherry street.