

BALLOT JUNE 11 ON LIBRARY BOND ISSUE

Ask Voters of Community to Give Expression on Proposition to Enlarge Library

At the regular meeting of the Winnetka Village council held May 3, Trustee Edward Lewis introduced an ordinance which was passed at that time. This ordinance will give to the residents of Winnetka an opportunity to approve by means of a referendum their support of enlarged public library facilities. Briefly, the ordinance provides that a special election will be held on June 11, 1927, to vote on the issue of \$75,000 in bonds, the money so raised to be used to complete an addition to the Winnetka Public Library.

The need for additional library facilities in the village has been effectively presented this week by H. A. de-Windt, library trustee, who submitted to WINNETKA TALK the following questionnaire:

Ask Me Another

No. 1. How did Winnetka get the present free public library building, and when?

Ans. By a deed of gift in memory of Henry D. and Jessie Bross Lloyd in 1910.

No. 2. Give the present location and size of the library property.

Ans. Southeast corner of Linden and Oak street. 185 feet on Linden by 150 feet on Oak.

No. 3. How many books was the present building meant to take care of?

Ans. 9,000 volumes.

No. 4. How many volumes are in the library now?

Ans. About 17,000.

No. 5. What was the population of Winnetka when the library was built in 1910?

Ans. About 3,300.

No. 6. What is the population of Winnetka in 1927?

Ans. About 12,000.

No. 7. Can a library built to hold 9,000 books be expected to handle 17,000 to the best advantage of its patrons?

Ans. Certainly no.

No. 8. How many books are circulated by the Winnetka Free Public library in one year now?

Ans. 54,000.

No. 9. How many of these are taken out by adults? how many by juveniles?

Ans. Adults 37,721; juveniles 16,281.

No. 10. How many books were taken out of the library for each person living in Winnetka during the past year?

Ans. Five and three tenths books for each person.

No. 11. Now that the library has nearly twice as many books as it was built to accommodate what ought to be done to take care of the surplus?

Ans. Build an addition to the Library big enough to take care of the present and future needs for the next 25 years.

No. 12. On which side of the present library building should an addition be built and why?

Ans. On the south side in order to have the most light and so as to be farthest away from the noise of the passing trains.

No. 13. How can we get the money to pay for this much needed addition to the library?

Ans. By a \$75,000 issue of long time bonds bearing 4 1/4 interest to be authorized at a special referendum election already ordered by the Village council to be held on Saturday, June 11, 1927.

No. 14. What ought everybody to do on June 11, who has the true interests of Winnetka at heart?

Ans. Vote for the bonds and help to get everybody he knows to do likewise.

While the Vikings Sailed the Seas

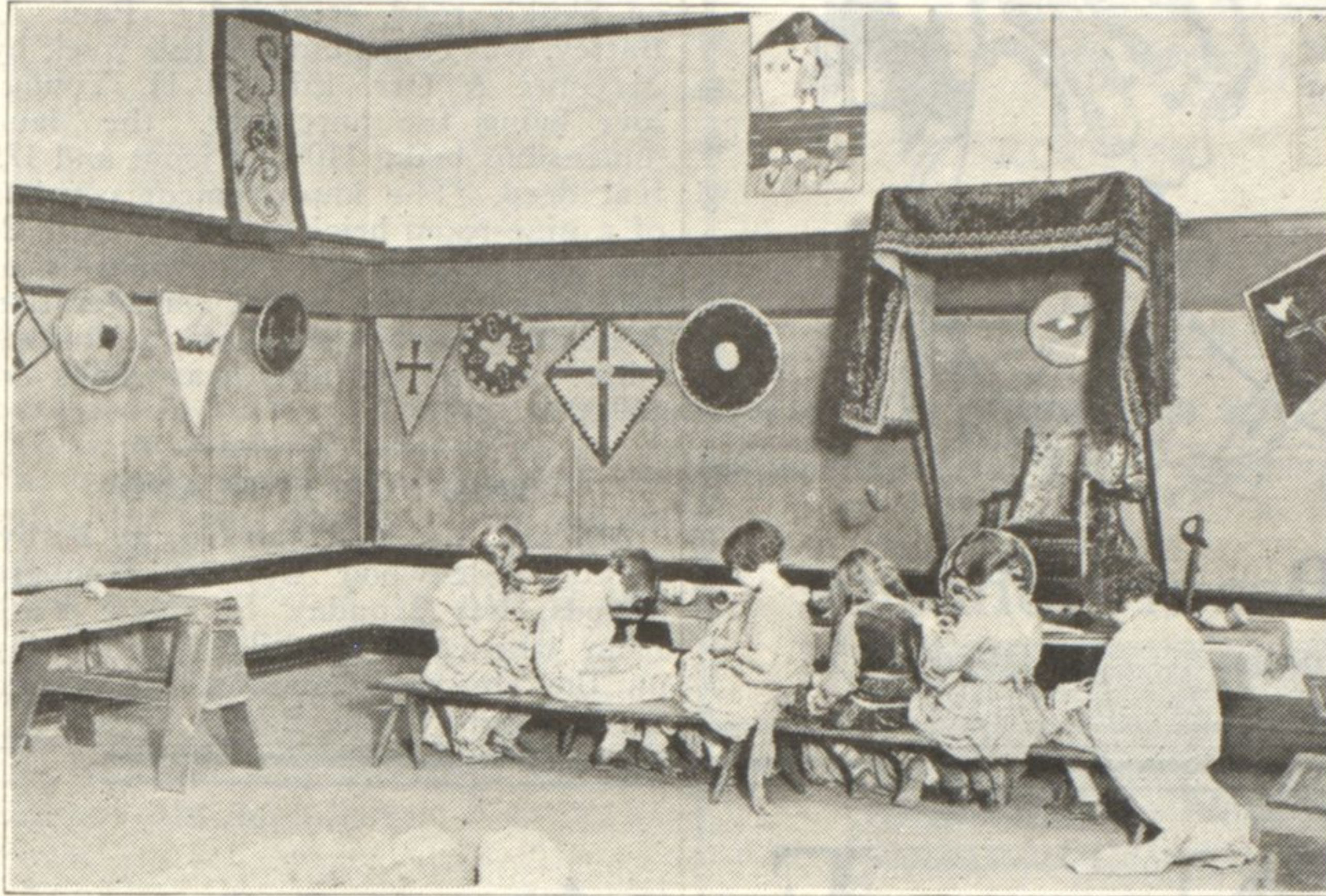


Photo by Lehle

One of the many features of the Hubbard Woods bazaar, which will be staged at the school Friday afternoon, May 20, will be the Viking feast hall in which Norwegian coffee cake and coffee will be served. In addition to the refreshments, children of the room which is sponsoring this part in the afternoon's program, will demonstrate the customs of the ancient rovers of the seas.

The above picture shows the Nordic women, seated in the huge feast hall and knitting at clothing for their lords who happen to be away on some cruise of conquest. Note the shields and tapestry (all made by the children) which are hanging on the walls. The objects on the tables are handmade and decorated drinking horns which played an important part in the feasts of these ancient and fearless rovers of the seas.

Glencoe C. of C. Starts Move for Inter-Town Body

An organization composed of representatives of the various north shore Chambers of Commerce for the consideration of inter-community problems was suggested at a meeting of the Glencoe Chamber of Commerce Wednesday evening.

The suggestion was made by William Edwards, president of the civic committee of the Glencoe Chamber and met with the ready approval of everyone present.

No further steps were taken towards formation of the organization, other than discussion, the resolution authorizing it being deferred until a later meeting of the Chamber when President Leo J. Hillman is present. He was away from the village Wednesday evening.

The drainage of the Skokie, which has long been a north shore problem, and which was again made the chief order of business at the Wednesday evening session, prompted the suggestion by Mr. Edwards, for the new organization.

It was pointed out that the rapid growth of all the north shore communities and the many attendant community interests calls for the formation of a north shore body of this character, having a representation from the various Chambers, to formulate plans of procedure, and execution when approved and authorized by the parent bodies.

"BETTER THAN A VACATION"

At the evening service at the Winnetka Congregational church, Sunday, Rev. Thomas A. Goodwin will tell what is "Better Than a Vacation." The foregoing quotation is his sermon topic for the evening service which begins at 8 o'clock.

DISCUSS LEISURE TIME

The Young Men's class of the Winnetka Congregational church at its meeting Sunday will discuss "The Use of Leisure Time."

North Shore Line Builds Unique Power Sub-Station

The new automatic power sub-station being constructed by the North Shore Line at Pine and Lincoln streets, Winnetka, has been planned to harmonize with the residential architecture of the village. It is Old English in style, as many of the new residences are and has a high stone wall representing an enclosed court which will conceal the outside equipment. Underground cables will carry the power into the sub-station and thus the character of the building cannot be recognized.

The North Shore Line has given splendid co-operation in the construction of this station, and have added a building with artistic value to the necessary commercial buildings in the village.

Automatic control is incorporated, rather than the old manual type. The capacity will be 1,500 kilowatts.

A NEW KLONDIKE

The latest money-making scheme to come to the attention of WINNETKA TALK works out something like this:

There is established, readers of TALK have informed us, "The Winnetka News Bureau," giving its address as 882 Pine street, Winnetka. This ambitious enterprise mails postcards to various residents of the community, bearing the legend, "An interesting news article concerning you appeared in a newspaper recently. A clipping of the article will be sent to you upon receipt of 25 cents. In reply refer to file number."

The concern thus proceeds to send out clippings from WINNETKA TALK of news items concerning Winnetka people. They are expected to pay 25 cents for the privilege of reading something about themselves which has previously appeared in TALK which sells at five cents a copy, or \$2 a year.

WINNETKA TALK passes this information along for the protection of its readers.

OPEN NURSERY SCHOOL HERE NEXT SEPTEMBER

Mrs. Alfred S. Alschuler Selected as Staff Director by Superintendent Washburne

The nursery school, newest addition to the public school system in Winnetka, has already created a great deal of interest in the community. The school will be opened next September in the Greeley school building.

Mrs. Alfred S. Alschuler has been appointed by Superintendent C. W. Washburne as the staff director. The school director will be Miss Marion Spach, who taught for two years in the children's community school, has since been abroad, and will be in charge of the University of Chicago nursery school this summer. Her assistant is Miss Ethel Chris, trained at the National Kindergarten college, and at the Franklin nursery school. The staff will be assisted by committees of the nursery school board of the Winnetka Woman's club. The co-operating agencies will be the Elizabeth McCormick Fund, the Institute for Juvenile Research, and the National Kindergarten college.

Limit Group to Twenty

The group of children to be accommodated in the Greeley nursery school will be limited to twenty, because this has been found to be the number of little children that can be most competently handled in a group. A number of applications have already been received. Anyone in the village who wants to make an application for a two or three year old child may do so by sending the child's name to Mr. Washburne, superintendent of schools, or to Mrs. Alfred S. Alschuler.

There will also be a group of twenty children in the community who will not attend the school but who will be supervised in their own homes by the staff and co-operating agencies. Records will be made of their physical and mental habits and abilities at the beginning and end of the year. These records will be compared with those of the children who attend the school. Applications for this group can also be made to Mr. Washburne's office.

Financed Privately

Although the nursery school will be part of the public school system, it will be financed by private subscription, since there are no funds available for children of the pre-kindergarten age. The Winnetka Woman's club, under its education department, has endorsed the nursery school project and is now conducting a campaign to raise the necessary funds. Members of the nursery school board are Mrs. Walter T. Fisher, chairman; Mrs. S. George Levy, vice-chairman; Mrs. George B. Smith, secretary; Mrs. Alfred G. Freeman, treasurer; Mesdames Benjamin Affleck, Frank Bersbach, Robert Brown, John Brown, Emmons Blaine, Ernest Ballard, Nat Blatchford, Jr., Morton Cahn, Lawrence Cole, Dwight Green, James Fentress, Dudley French, Montague Ferry, Augusta Fenger, Harold L. Ickes, Myron Harshaw, William McKenzie, Taliaferro Milton, Dudley Palmer, George Parker, James Porter, Ralph Snyder, Walter Strong, Willoughby Walling, and Miss Ruth Matz; Mrs. Arthur Cushman, ex-officio, and Mrs. Alfred Alschuler, staff director.

The objectives of the nursery school as an educational venture are told in another article in this issue of WINNETKA TALK. Further information may be obtained from Mrs. Alfred S. Alschuler.