

# WINNETKA TALK

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## FIND LIBRARY ASSET TO SCHOOL CHILDREN

### Library Board Points Out Necessity for Enlargement of Building to Meet Child Needs

Editor's note: The following is the second of a series of articles prepared under supervision of the Winnetka Public Library board, which is asking the voters of Winnetka to approve a \$75,000 bond issue, at an election June 11 to provide material enlargement of the public library facilities. The June 11 election has been approved by the Village board of trustees.

Chief among the services rendered by the Winnetka Public library to the residents of the village, is that given the children.

Sixty percent of the card holders of the Winnetka Public library are children and books for them last year totaled 40 percent of the entire circulation of the library and the number of books drawn by children amounted to 16,281. These figures will give some idea as to the use the children make of the library facilities.

The library maintains a special collection for children and has in this collection all reference books they will be likely to need or use and in addition subscribed to all of the leading children's magazines. The children's department contains a well-balanced list of books and nothing but the best editions insofar as durable bindings and beautiful illustrations are concerned, are purchased. The library furnishes a printed list of books on special subjects that may interest children and in addition carries all of the books on the reading list for children, prescribed by the Winnetka Public schools. In connection with the work in the schools, the library sends special books to the public and parochial schools.

#### Demand for Reference Works

It has been noted that there is an unusually large call at various holiday times, such as Christmas, Easter, Washington's Birthday, etc., for books dealing with these particular occasions. Such books are read not only by the children by reason of the natural interest aroused in their minds at that time but also as reference books in connection with special work assigned to them in the schools.

The library maintains a special collection of books for children just being to read and this list is proportionately one of the largest in circulation of any list in the library.

Special attention is given by the librarians to serve the children when they come in. If they are looking for reference books, the librarians endeavor to help them look for the books that contain the information wanted and also to show the older children how to use the catalogs, reference lists, etc.

#### Like to Study in Library

A large number of children use the library in connection with reference work and do certain amounts of their work right in the building. As a result of this the children's quarters are very cramped. Originally when the library was first constructed, one-half of the first floor was to be devoted to the children's department but as the library has grown, more and more of this

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## HOLD GARDEN MARKET

### Winnetka Garden Club Stages Annual Market on Village Common; Punch and Judy Show to Feature

Garden clubs, and gardeners, both amateur and "professional," will be able to indulge in their hobby, and saturate themselves in the delights of every form and variety of flower, garden tool, intricate knife, long-armed scissors for the portly ones, who can't reach five feet across a bed of tender plants, at the May Market to be conducted today on the Village Green, under the auspices of the Winnetka Garden club.

The accessories committee is busily engaged in assembling a unique booth of tools, surgical in appearance, but botanical in appliance. Mats for kneeling on damp earth, fancy flower pots and receptacles made of Spanish glass will be on sale.

The entertainment committee has arranged two performances of a Punch and Judy show, one in the morning and another in the afternoon. Tables will be set out and ice cream served, as a special feature for the children.

Gardeners for large estates, and gardeners from small places, men and women who enjoy gardening for the physical and mental rest it affords, and gardeners who are professional are all included in the entrants. It will be a true market, and worthy a visit by everyone in the village.

Proceeds from the market, for the flowers, vegetables and fruits will be on sale, as well as the accessories, will go toward the beautification of some section of the village.

Inquiries as to the arrangements may be made of Mrs. William A. Otis, and inquiries in general may be made of Mrs. C. Colton Daughaday, president of the Winnetka Garden club. In case of rain, the Winnetka Woman's club will be utilized instead of the open green. Rain or shine the market will be held.

## County and Villages to Debate Mosquito Problem

Henry F. Tenney, village president, has requested the president of the Sanitary District of Chicago, T. J. Crowe, to meet with a delegation of citizens of Winnetka, and possibly Glencoe, to consider means of ridding the Skokie area of mosquito breeding places the coming season. It is expected this meeting will take place at the next regular meeting of the Sanitary District.

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## Golden Wedding



Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Boman of 510 Walnut street were married fifty years ago May 10. They celebrated their Golden wedding with a reception given by their children. The Bomans have been residents of Winnetka for five years. The year they moved here, Mr. Boman retired from active business. He had been secretary of the Mutual Life Insurance company.

## American Legion to Conduct Annual Poppy Sale May 27

Annual Poppy Day will be observed by the posts of the American Legion in Cook county on Friday, May 27, instead of Saturday, May 28, the change in date having been made during the past week by the American Legion.

Extensive preparations are being made for the sale of Poppies in Winnetka and Glencoe, where the work is under the direction of a committee from Winnetka post No. 10. The members of this committee are Arthur C. F. Gedge, Thomas J. Lynch and Irwin Hale, of Winnetka, and Cleo C. Campbell, of Glencoe.

Huge crates of the Poppies for this sale have already been received. The women and girls who have volunteered to sell them are being assigned their stations and will later be supplied with liberal quantities of the Flanders flowers.

The Poppies, purchased through the American Legion, were made by disabled soldiers and are being distributed through the organization to the various posts throughout the land, to be sold on Poppy day, to a generous public. The Winnetka post will be very grateful for the liberal patronage which it anticipates from Winnetka citizens, on this date.

Proceeds from this sale will go to the Legion service and welfare department.

## ATTEND CONVENTION

Frank Brach and Gross Williams attended the National Candyman's convention which was held in Chicago this week. They were also entered in the golf tournament at Westward Ho last Wednesday.

## NEW MINION OF LAW

John Lunsman is the latest addition to the Winnetka Police department, having donned an officer's uniform and star, Monday.

## STAGE GREAT MUSIC FESTIVAL NEXT WEEK

### Final Rehearsals With Complete Orchestra and All Soloists Open to Public Sunday

Final rehearsals, with complete orchestra and all soloists will be started at Evanston Sunday afternoon, May 22, by the North Shore Music Festival, under the baton of Dean Peter C. Lutkin, musical director. The rehearsal Sunday afternoon will be open to the general public, upon payment of a small admission fee. Seats are selling rapidly this week as it is the last opportunity to obtain a selection in advance of the opening of the series of concerts, which will take place in Patten gymnasium, Evanston, May 23 to 28. Singers and players are all letter perfect in their parts. The final rehearsals are for the purpose of perfecting the ensemble and making sure that everything will move smoothly at the concerts. They correspond to the final dress rehearsal of a play.

The concerts of the North Shore Music Festival have won a prominent place among musical events of national importance, for they are among the greatest of their kind. The programs for the coming series are of such exceptional character and the ten assisting artists are of such outstanding excellence that the prestige of the festival is certain to be increased.

#### Open with "Elijah"

"Elijah" has been chosen for the opening evening largely because of the opportunity it will afford to bring to notice Horace Stevens, who is generally acknowledged to be the greatest of all interpreters of the role of "Elijah." His unusual powers as a singer and interpreter are now at their point of fullest development. The other soloists will also be noteworthy as they will be, Louise Loring, soprano; Doris Doe, contralto, and Paul Althouse, tenor. The regular Festival chorus of 600 voices will be increased to 800 for this concert. The instrumental parts will be played by the Chicago Symphony orchestra, which will also be heard on other programs. The organ will be used and the A Cappella choir will sing.

Edward Johnson, tenor, who is a favorite with North Shore audiences, will sing the aria "Adelaide," by Beethoven, Lohengrin's "Narrative," Wagner, and aria from "Carmen" at the second concert, May 24. Mischa Levitzki, the gifted young Russian pianist, is to play a concerto in G minor, opus 22, by Saint-Saens. The instrumental selection will be Beethoven's "Lenore overture, No. 3"; suite from "La Giara," by Casella, and a Slavonic dance, by Dvorak.

## SPEAKS TO ARCHITECTS CLUB

John P. Hooker, Spruce street, president of the Chicago Real Estate board, was a guest of the Chicago chapter of the American Institute of Architects at the May meeting of the organization, which was held last Tuesday. Mr. Hooker addressed the meeting on a subject of general interest.