

TELLS CHURCH WOMEN OF THE NEW RUSSIA

Dr. Carleton W. Washburne Relates Experiences in Visit to Russia

The opening meeting of the Woman's society of the Winnetka Congregational church last Wednesday was well attended, and enthusiasm in every department made all feel that work for the year had begun in earnest.

Judging from the reports of the chairmen of the many committees, the president, Ms. Wiley J. Huddle, together with these various committees, is to be congratulated on the care with which every detail of this important organization has been worked out.

Following the business meeting and luncheon, came the address by Dr. Carleton W. Washburne, which was heard with much interest. Communism in Russia, as depicted by Dr. Washburne, presents a very different aspect to many of those who were privileged to hear him.

Dr. Washburne's visit to Russia was as a specialist in education, but he accumulated much information on matters pertaining to religion and the new Soviet government, which was illuminating and interesting.

Health Vital with Russians

One of the first things he mentioned was the awakened interest in matters pertaining to health. Sports of all kinds are engaged in, and exhibitions given to show the physical benefits derived from such exercises. The drive for better health and improved sanitary conditions is stressed in all the schools, thus reaching the lives of the peasants through their children. Health lectures are given to workers every day. Rest homes, usually old monasteries which have been transformed into sanitoriums, are to be found in many places, where working men and women are given two weeks' vacation with pay.

There are several large institutions for the welfare of mothers and babies, where scientific research is made and records are carefully kept. New Russia is trying to build up the race in a scientific, modern way. All medical attention given by government physicians is free. Private physicians may be had when the government physician for some reason is not available.

Becomes Industrialized

Russia is becoming industrialized. Women work shoulder-to-shoulder with men, receiving equal pay for equal service. Nurseries are provided for the care of children whose mothers are working.

The 300,000 children left homeless at the close of the war, who wander all over Russia, becoming beggars and vagabonds, still present a tremendous problem to the government, but they are having some success in handling the matter. These waifs are picked up and sent to schools, or put to work in factories, learning many branches of industries. This work is done on a commercial basis.

Dr. Washburne told of a beautiful building in Leningrad, called the Palace of Culture, which he likened to Winnetka Community House, functioning in much the same way, but considerably larger. This building was paid for by the Workers' Union and a grant from the government. Some of the workers pointed with great pride to the part they had in fashioning this Russian Community House.

The workers' homes are in apartment buildings owned by the government, and modern in many ways. Rents are in proportion to one's salary.

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Property Owners Request Macadam for Locust Paving

Because of objection voiced by so many of the property owners on Locust road to the paving with concrete, of that street from Pine street to Westmoor road, a bituminous macadam pavement, without concrete curbs or gutter, eighteen feet wide, was adopted by the Board of Local Improvements Tuesday evening. A resolution was passed calling for a revised engineer's estimate in accordance with the altered plans, and which will be made the basis of another public hearing later.

The matter came up in the form of an adjourned public hearing, at which there appeared a large number of property owners. It is a subject which has been under consideration for a long time, but on which no action was attempted during the summer because of the fact so many of the interested property owners were out of town.

Their objection to the concrete pavement was on the ground that a street thus paved would attract too great an amount of through traffic.

Plan Commission to Study Matter of Widened Streets

Before taking action on a petition to widen to a total width of forty feet various streets in the business section of Winnetka, west of the railroad right-of-way, the Village council Tuesday evening voted to request the Winnetka Plan commission to study the problem of street widening in the business section and to make a recommendation to the council as to adequate widths.

The petition which the council received Tuesday evening was the outcome of a public hearing on the subject last week before the streets, drainage and forestry committee.

The streets enumerated are Spruce, from Center to Birch; Elm, from Chestnut to Birch; Oak, from Linden to Chestnut; Chestnut, from Spruce to Oak.

Community Drama Club to Present "Torchbearers"

The Community Drama club has chosen "The Torchbearers," by George Kelley, as its first play of the season. Mrs. John Marshall will direct the play, which is to be presented Wednesday and Thursday evenings, November 9 and 10, in Matz hall at the Community house. The names of the players are to be announced later.

Tickets for the year's course of five plays may be obtained now from Mrs. Charles Karnopp, chairman of the membership committee, by telephoning Winn. 261. The club charges only enough for the tickets to enable it to buy the necessary scenery and supplies.

Tickets Limited for First Artist Concert

In view of the fact that the first entertainment of the Artist Recital series is only a week distant, the opening concert having been announced for Monday, October 17, the Winnetka Music club has announced that all tickets must be paid for by October 11. Any tickets for the concert not paid for by that date will be declared forfeited in favor of the waiting list, according to the statement. Checks are to be mailed to Mrs. Bessie Grant, secretary, Winnetka State bank, Winnetka.

Back From Sweden



The Rev. A. E. Rohrbach, pastor of the Christian Fellowship, has returned to Winnetka after a delightful summer in Sweden. He has resumed his work here, and has chosen for his subject Sunday evening "Careful Carelessness."

Chamber of Commerce in Rapp Building Offices

The Winnetka Chamber of Commerce on October 1 moved into its new quarters, room 9, second floor of the Rapp building, which is also headquarters for the recently organized Winnetka Credit Men's association.

The office is completely equipped for handling the business of both organizations. B. G. Eberle, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, will be assisted in the work by Ernest Belmont, who will be in the office at all times. The telephone number will remain the same—Winnetka 858.

The next meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be Monday evening, October 10, at Community House. Dinner will be served at 7 o'clock. The business session will follow. Dr. Allen D. Albert, editor of the Evanston Evening News-Index, will address the Chamber.

Rev. James A. Richards to Attend Church Dedication

Rev. James Austin Richards of the Winnetka Congregational church will participate in the dedicatory services of the new Congregational church in Evanston, Sunday, and in his absence Rev. Thomas A. Goodwin will deliver the morning sermon at the Winnetka church. Mr. Richards will preach in the evening, at 8 o'clock on "Tenting Toward Sodom." The sermon topic in the morning will be, "The Laboratory of Religion."

Life of Paul, Subject at Young Men's Bible Class

The Young Men's class of the Winnetka Congregational church, of which the Rev. Thomas A. Goodwin is teacher, resumed its weekly sessions last Sunday. Next Sunday will mark the beginning of a series of studies on the life of Paul, led by Mr. Goodwin. The class plans in the future to have an outside speaker once a month. Jack Anderson is the new chairman of the program committee. Richard Stoddard was re-elected president of the class.

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE AT OUTSET OF NEW SEASON

Community House Club for Girls Employed in Homes Foresees Most Successful Year

Friendship circle, the club for girls working in Winnetka homes, held the first meeting of the season at Community House, October 4. The club meets every Tuesday evening, and, judging from the attendance and interest manifest at the first session, the enrollment as the season advances will exceed the former high mark of 82, established last year.

The girls are organized as a club, having their own officers and committees which carry on the various activities. For years these have been under the leadership of volunteer workers, who understand girls and who suggest and sympathetically direct. The club this year is under the leadership of Miss Starr, of Greeley school.

Enjoy Many Activities

Last year's group was under the direction of Mrs. Morton D. Cahn, assisted by Mrs. John R. Montgomery. Many good times featured the club season, among them being a Halloween party, a Christmas party, sleigh rides, costume parties, dances and bunco parties.

And the fun was not all for club members. They gave a Chicago poor family a Christmas dinner and a large box of gifts and then continued to look after the welfare of the family.

Among others who have been active in the leadership of this group are Mrs. Frederick Copeland, Mrs. Ralph Snyder, Mrs. Charles Kreger, Mrs. Arthur Sterrett, Mrs. E. E. Stultz, Mrs. J. D. Pierce and many others.

Sponsored by Center

Community House sponsors this movement, feeling that in so doing it is meeting a real need in the village. Several years ago when Community House was first opened, the need of such a club was recognized. Many girls come to the village as strangers and have little opportunity to become acquainted. They do not wish to go to the city for all their recreation and find in the club the companionship and wholesome, happy times desired.

The club offers gymnasium work, club activities, an attractive room in which to meet and enjoy various functions, under wise leadership. Community House permits the use of its kitchen equipment for parties and suppers and stands ready to aid in any way possible to the programs planned. And all this for the small Community House membership fee of \$3.00 for the season.

"Have you, Madame Householder, a young woman in your home who should be taking advantage of this opportunity?" those who are sponsoring the Friendship Circle movement inquire.

If you have, you are admonished to bring her to Community House yourself, if she so desires. She will be welcome any Tuesday evening. The club meets at 8:30 o'clock.

School Clubs Being Organized at Skokie

A number of clubs composed of children of the Skokie school are now being organized and their officers elected. Three clubs, music, stamp and debate, are about to get under way and will hold their first regular meetings in the near future. Page Mergentheim has been elected president and Jack Odell vice-president of the Music club. Officers of the other organizations have not as yet been announced.