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ACHIEVE MEMORIAL IN TRUE WINNETKA SPIRIT

Designed by Winnetka Artist While 3,800 Villagers Contribute \$40,000 Cost

Winnetka now has a fitting memorial to its ten sons who paid the supreme sacrifice in the World war. In brief, it consists of a monumental flag staff which rises above a platform on which stands a cenotaph bearing the commemorative tablets to the ten men whose memory is to be perpetuated.

It is situated at the crest of a slight rise of land on the west side of the Village Green which is annually the site of patriotic ceremonies and community festivals. Some years ago a representative body of citizens of Winnetka decided that some such adornment at this location in place of the existing flag staff would meet the needs of a village memorial, and to this end they instituted a competition among designers and architects. The jury for this competition consisted of E. H. Bennett and John Root, eminent architects of Chicago, and a lay representative and artist, Mrs. Franklin Rudolph of Winnetka.

The original entrants in this competition numbered ten or fifteen, most of them architects, all from Winnetka. The winner finally chosen was Samuel S. Otis, a young architect trained in the architectural school of Harvard and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The task of raising \$40,000 necessary to complete the project was placed in the hands of a large committee, with the real task of the undertaking resting primarily in a smaller body known as the Winnetka Memorial Trustees.

3,800 Contributions

These gentlemen not only completed the remarkable task of raising the forty odd thousand dollars from a village of 10,000 inhabitants, but achieved the enviable record of obtaining contributions from 3,800 citizens, men, women and children, thus making the enterprise a truly community affair. In this campaign school children, all sects of churches, and varied village organizations played an important part, each working with remarkable singularity of purpose toward a single goal.

The money thus raised enabled the monument to be built of the best materials obtainable. The platform, steps, the benches and cenotaph proper are all cut from specially selected Tennessee marble, coming from Knoxville, Tennessee. There were five carloads of this material used, each stone being specially selected, designed and cut. At either end, north and south, of the cenotaph at the west of the flag staff are two bronze eagles, symbolic guardians. Atop the flag staff another eagle is mounted with wings in air, and surmounting a crest motif, having a total height of over nine feet. The entire cresting is covered with fifty square feet of beaten gold. The staff itself is cut from the huge trunk of an Oregon fir and contains no heart wood; this splendid timber is over 200 years old. It is interesting to note that this tree had been in existence almost 100 years when the Lewis and Clark Expedition in 1804 marked the

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Treasurer



Mrs. Hymen L. Raclin, treasurer of the Winnetka League of Women Voters, devotes many hours every day to the heavy responsibility assigned her. With the league's highly successful membership campaign now drawing to a close, Mrs. Raclin has the task of sending out more than a thousand membership cards. And that represents just one phase of her numerous duties as treasurer.

N. S. Educators to Speak at Meeting Here Wednesday

A joint meeting of the P. T. A.'s of the Winnetka schools and the North Shore Country Day school will be held at Skokie school Wednesday evening, November 16, in observance of National Educational week. While National Education week was officially recognized during the week of November 7, due to Village activities it was necessary to postpone the meeting until the following week.

The meeting will be featured by several addresses which are as follows: "Progressive Education in the Junior High school of Winnetka" by S. R. Logan, principal of Skokie school; "The Progressive Educational Society of America" by Frederick E. Clerk, superintendent of New Trier High school; "The new Educational Fellowship of Europe" by Perry Dunlap Smith, superintendent of the Country Day school; and "Progressive Education in Soviet Russia" by Carleton Washburne, superintendent of Winnetka schools. Mr. Washburne's talk will be illustrated by slides obtained while on his trip to Russia this summer.

Hale Attends Monument Unveiling at Arlington

Henry R. Hale of the Winnetka State bank left for Washington, D. C., Thursday to be present on Armistice Day at the unveiling of a monument erected in Arlington National cemetery, by the Canadian government, as a memorial to the American soldiers who fought with the Canadian forces in the World war.

Women Voters Open State Convention at Peoria Tuesday

The state convention of the League of Women Voters will be held at Peoria, Ill., next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. A number of members of the Winnetka chapter are planning to attend the three day session, for which it is declared, a program of unusual interest has been planned.

Convention headquarters will be at the Pere Marquette hotel and Social League presidents and State Board members will assemble at this place for the general council meetings on Monday. Mrs. John N. Vander Vries, president of the Winnetka League, will preside over the meeting at which the subject "Publicity Problems and the League's Relation to the Public" will be discussed.

On Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. Maurice H. Lieber of Winnetka will present the report of the State Education committee to the convention. Mrs. Mary Tenny Healy, national chairman of Education and a former resident of Winnetka, will also speak for the committee.

Mrs. William G. Hibbard of Winnetka, director of the fourth region, will be one of the speakers at the International Co-operation luncheon on Thursday. This will be the closing meeting of the convention.

Members of the local League who will attend the convention next week are Mrs. William G. Hibbard, Mrs. Maurice H. Lieton, Mrs. John N. Vander Vries, Mrs. Ralph S. Childs, Mrs. A. Montague Ferry, Mrs. W. L. Ninabuck and Mrs. Goss T. Williams.

Mrs. Williams has recently been made Secretary of the State committee on Social Hygiene of the Illinois League.

Local Red Cross Workers Launch Annual Roll Call

Winnetka's volunteer Red Cross workers formally opened the annual Roll Call drive in the village on Armistice day and plan an intensive campaign that will continue through Thanksgiving day.

The need this year is especially urgent, Red Cross officials explain, because of the destitution left in the wake of the great Mississippi and New England floods.

The Winnetka Red Cross committee held its first meeting Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Willoughby Walling, 1094 Private road. The committee is made up of the district chairmen whose names follow: Mrs. Harold Wilder, Mrs. W. J. Smith, Mrs. Barrett Conway, Mrs. John McEwen, Mrs. Alfred V. Horsman, Mrs. Richard Walsh, Mrs. Ralph M. Snyder, Mrs. E. Durand Allen, Mrs. Horace Street, Mrs. Frank Crawford, Mrs. A. F. Wecklenberger, Mrs. James K. Prindiville, and Miss Elizabeth Gemmell.

SCHOOLS TO CLOSE

All Winnetka schools will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 24 and 25, for the Thanksgiving holidays, it was announced at the school offices this week.

PREPARE BIG MASS ATTACK ON MOSQUITO

Meeting Called at Skokie Country Club to Raise Funds for Special Election Dec. 6

A meeting of the North Shore Mosquito Abatement association has been called by Chairman William Edwards for Wednesday evening, November 16, for the purpose of raising its funds to defray the cost of the special election to be held Tuesday, December 6.

The meeting, preceded by a dinner at 6:30 o'clock, will be held at the Skokie Country club. Dr. Franklin Martin, president of the Gorgas Memorial association, will be the principal speaker, but there will also be numerous other talks by such well known men as State Senator Arthur A. Huebsch of Brookfield; Senator Thurlow G. Essington of Chicago; County Commissioner Oscar W. Schmidt of Wilmette; the mayors and presidents of the cities and villages in the four townships comprising the North Shore Abatement district and many others. The meeting will also be attended by presidents of the various Chambers of Commerce throughout the area and the presidents of the many golf clubs in the district.

The formation of the district was approved by County Judge Edmund K. Jarecki, Thursday morning, at which time he also set the date of the special election as Tuesday, December 6.

Recent elections in the DesPlaines district carried 18 to 1, and in the Lake Forest district, much smaller in area than the DesPlaines district, the measure was approved 3 to 1.

In order to carry forward the work of forever driving the little mosquito pest from this entire section of Illinois, it is important that the various districts approve the united action now forming to oust the general enemy, it is pointed out. The Gorgas plan of extermination is to be used, it is said.

This warfare against the mosquito, which, it is felt by those who have been most active in its direction, is now within sight of victory, was launched three years ago, in Glencoe.

Citizens there that year contributed \$7,500 for a local mosquito eradication campaign which was waged vigorously and which has since been carried on locally, and spasmodically, but without result. The co-operation of large and well organized districts has been demonstrated as the only sure method.

Accordingly, Senator Huebsch piloted through the Illinois legislature the necessary bill authorizing the organization of mosquito abatement districts.

Senator Essington, with the assistance of scores of men throughout the various districts now organized, has been directing the legal affairs pertaining to the organization, with the result that all concerned feel that the mosquito, hereabouts, is doomed to certain extinction.

CONGREGATIONAL SERVICES

"Science and Religion" will constitute the sermon topic at the morning service at 11 o'clock, at the Winnetka Congregational church, by Rev. James Austin Richards. In the evening, at 8 o'clock, Rev. Thomas A. Goodwin will preach on "What Price Peace."