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WOMEN VOTERS REPORT MEMBER DRIVE SUCCESS

Luncheon Guests at Rudolph Matz Hall Hear Many Precincts Double Membership

A large number of Winnetka women attended the luncheon meeting of the Winnetka League of Women Voters last Monday in Rudolph Matz hall. One hundred and fifty luncheons were served by Mrs. John Hamilton, chairman of the ninth precinct, and her block captains. Mrs. Cecil F. Baker, the luncheon chairman, was in charge of the arrangements, with the assistance of Mrs. Leigh Jerrard and Mrs. Philip Smith.

The report of the very successful membership drive recently completed was given by the president, Mrs. John Vander Vries, in the absence of Mrs. George F. Suker, membership chairman. Three hundred and thirty-eight new memberships and 680 renewals were obtained in the drive. Memberships are still being sent in by the treasurer, Mrs. Hymen Raclin. Several precincts doubled their membership of last year.

Awards to Captains

Prizes were awarded to the block captain in each precinct who secured the largest number of memberships. One year subscriptions to the Woman's Citizen were presented to Mrs. Charles Kostbade, Mrs. Leo Campbell, Miss Mary King, Miss Grace Stoddard, Mrs. Carlton Washburne, Mrs. William G. Forrest, Mrs. Herbert Pope, Mrs. Earl Green, Mrs. Elbert Clark, and Mrs. Carlton Prouty.

Interesting reports of the State Convention, recently held in Peoria, were given by Mrs. R. S. Childs and Mrs. Montague Ferry.

Mrs. Ernest Ballard, Winnetka chairman of the Committee on International Co-operation to Prevent War, introduced as the speaker of the day Mrs. William Gold Hibbard, who spoke on the subject of Peace and Pacific Relations.

Describes Pacific Conference

Mrs. Hibbard gave a most interesting account of the Conference on Pacific Relations held in July in Honolulu. The institute attempts to find the truth about the countries bordering the Pacific Ocean through research and then meets biennially to discuss these findings. The Round Table method was used for discussion every day of the two weeks' session. The subjects discussed were population and food supply, immigration, communications, investments, racial antagonisms, and the Chinese situation, particularly as it affects missions. The delegation of 120 was made up of all nationalities, men and women. Mrs. Hibbard in closing gave a charming picture of Honolulu.

"The Mirror of God" Is Sunday Sermon Subject

Services will be conducted at the Winnetka Congregational church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and in the evening at 8. Rev. James Austin Richards will preach in the morning on "The Mirror of God." The sermon topic in the evening, by the Rev. Thomas A. Goodwin, will be "Growing Young."

Entertains Improvement Association



Marjorie Hartless, premier danseuse, who made such a hit at the last meeting of the Indian Hill Improvement association, that she was asked to come again, will entertain at the next session, Monday, November 28, at New Trier High school.

New Winnetka Legion Leaders Take Office

The regular meeting of Winnetka Post Number 10, American Legion, was held last Monday, in the legion club-rooms. Installation ceremonies for the new officers were conducted by district vice commander, Harvey Hopp.

After the usual routine business, the members were entertained by a first-run motion picture taken by C. R. Hessler, who was a member of the official party on the second A. E. F. visit to France. The pictures not only covered scenes of Paris, but also Italy, Belgium, and England. The incoming committees will be appointed prior to the next regular meeting.

DINNER FOR CHURCH SCHOOL

The Winnetka Congregational church will give a dinner for Grades seven, eight and nine of the Church school Saturday evening, December 3, at 6 o'clock in Matz Hall.

INVITE TO BIBLE CLASS

The Woman's Bible class of the Winnetka Congregational church will have for the subject of its lesson Sunday, "Religious Experience Through Communion, Meditation and Worship." The women of the community are cordially invited to be present at 9:45 o'clock in the Philip Sidney Post room of Community House. Mrs. Burton Atwood will lead.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Woods of Locust street left Thursday of last week to spend some time in the East.

"From Jerusalem to Nazareth," the Rev. Francis Carr Stifler's next story in the series telling of the wonders of the Holy Land which he recently visited will appear in next week's issue of this newspaper.

COURT ASKED TO ALLOW SALE OF SKOKIE LAND

Petitioners Claim That Play- grounds Are at Stake in Seek- ing a Re-hearing

Petitioning the Illinois Supreme Court for a rehearing of an injunction against the purchase of 2,090 acres of Skokie Valley Land, by the Cook County forest preserves, the supporters emphasize the point that present and future need of Chicago for playgrounds is at stake. The purchase of this tract with its many stretches of marsh land has been held up since 1921 as the result of a suit brought against the Cook County forest preserve commissioners by William D. Washburn of Evanston.

Suggest Reforestation

The petition incidentally calls attention to another point, contending that instead of wasting money in the purchase of the marshy lands it will be possible by reforestation to aid the drainage of the Skokie Valley. Also the petition states that it is possible to form actual links with other preserves.

"The question is vital," commented an interested lawyer. "The citizens' advisory committee has mapped an extensive development of the forest preserves. This acreage in Skokie valley has been approved as part of the general scheme to give Chicago the finest playgrounds in the world."

In the petition for rehearing the following pleas are emphasized:

"Can the court say that no body of reasonable men could possibly come to the conclusion that the public use, pleasure and convenience would be greatly increased and the statutory purposes of the forest preserves furthered by connecting into one preserve all of the forest preserves in the river valley of the north branch, making one continuous preserve of 5,000 acres thirteen miles long?"

Supreme Court Acts

"Can the court say it is beyond the bounds of all reason to believe that the natural conditions of the lower valley would be affected by radical change of the inter-related drainage conditions in the upper valley, to the serious injury of the trees, flowers and natural beauty?"

"Can the court say it is entirely unreasonable that the district should exercise its powers of reforestation on lands taken for a connecting link where forests once existed and which link is desirable for other purposes?"

In his suit Mr. Washburn charged that the sale of the land as forest preserve had been effected by wealthy Skokie residents who wished to enjoy their views of glorious sunsets unimpaired by adjacent buildings. Funds set aside for the purchase, have been idle for more than six years. Last month the state Supreme court granted Washburn an injunction against the purchase.

WIN HOCKEY GAMES

The girls' hockey team of the North Shore Country Day school scored two victories in the only games of the season played with outside school teams. On November 18 they defeated the team of the Chicago Latin school, 4 to 0, and were victorious in their game on November 22.