

GO TO POLLS TUESDAY TO BANISH MOSQUITO

Citizens in New Trier Towns Will Vote on Abatement Question December 6

Mosquitoes or no mosquitoes!

That is the question which voters in Wilmette, Kenilworth, Winnetka, Glenco and other north shore towns will have the opportunity of deciding Tuesday, December 6, when the special mosquito election is held in the respective Village halls.

Stories of the ferocity of north shore mosquitoes have traveled far and wide, even to New Jersey where, before mosquito abatement work was started, the pests were said to be as large as hawks. It is an interesting sidelight to know that mosquitoes bred in and around New York City are now annoying the good citizens of New Jersey, across the river. New Jersey counties are all doing good work at the present time.

This fact illustrates the contention of the North Shore Mosquito Abatement association, that mosquito freedom can only come by group action and by making a district sufficiently large. Engineers of the Gorgas Memorial who suggested the grouping of five west suburban townships into the DesPlaines Valley Mosquito Abatement district, which has already been formed, and the grouping of the North Shore district, assert that cleaning up the breeding places will destroy all primary breeding and thus insure an absence of mosquito bites.

Organizations to Co-operate

Parent-teacher organizations throughout the district, women's clubs and church organizations are urging their members to go to the polls from 6 a. m. to 4 p. m. on December 6, to express their approval of district's establishment, it is explained.

Women and those who spend a great deal of time out-of-doors see in the election a means of destroying the greatest single handicap to complete summer enjoyment. Mothers particularly want mosquito freedom in order to eliminate the stings on tiny arms and legs of their children. Men whose hobby is golf and gardening also rate high as the mosquitoes' chief foe.

Many men recall days in summer when swarms of mosquitoes on the golf course made playing almost impossible. One prominent editor of a florists' magazine who lives in Evanston, contends that it is the mosquito that causes many suburbanites to lose interest in their gardens which they start so enthusiastically in the spring.

The history of mosquito battles on the north shore goes back several years. Always complete elimination was prevented by lack of funds and an adequate supply of labor to carry out remedial measures. Money was raised by "passing the hat," and payments were slow and far between. Many public minded citizens gave of their time and money, but it was quickly evident that a small tax the same as is provided under the California law, would spread the burden.

Small Tax Does Work

The present enabling act, as signed by the governor, provides, under the new valuation, a maximum tax of one-half mill (1/2), which translated into cents, is so small that it will never be noticed on the tax bill of the most humble citizen. The tax was so just in the eyes of "the watch dogs of big business" at the state legislature that they gave their support to the bill in spite of the fact that they oppose, on general principles, an increase of taxation of any sort.

Schlussus Recital Is Postponed to Dec. 15

The Artists' Recital committee of the Winnetka Music club announces with regret the postponement of the Heinrich Schlusnus recital from December 12 to **Thursday, December 15.**

The subscribers may be interested to learn that this action was necessitated by the fact that Mr. Schlusnus has been received in this country with an enthusiastic appreciation which could scarcely have been anticipated. Each appearance has been followed by insistent demands for other return engagements.

Unaccustomed to American travel, he has become too fatigued to keep pace with the many engagements made for him by his managers. In some instances he has cancelled engagements.

We are, after all, fortunate that our recital has been merely postponed.

—Genevieve Whitman, chairman.

Business Girls to Provide Fine Xmas for Needy Family

The Winnetka Business Girls' club met last Tuesday evening to enjoy a combined program which gave more real pleasure, perhaps, than any meeting they have held this year.

In addition to the rendition of a playlet prepared for the occasion, the name of the family to which the club is to play Santa Claus was also announced, and preliminary plans made for making the several members of that family enjoy the Yuletide season to the utmost.

This family resides in Evanston. The mother, it is said, has been ill since the death of her husband, three years ago. There are four children, two girls, one 12 and the other 3½ years of age and two boys, 14 and 6 years.

First of all, the club will see that this household has a real Christmas dinner, the first one they have had for a long time, for this is the first occasion that this family has been compelled to accept charity, although it is said there has been need for some aid for a long time.

The club members are gathering various articles of clothing, which the members of the family can use, and they will also be given some money, and bushels of kindly, uplifting cheer, which goes with this generous act.

The members of the cast in the club play given last Tuesday evening were Miss Dorothy Allen, as "The Mother"; Miss Dorothy Loomis, "The Son"; Miss Harriet Scott, "The Society Girl"; Miss Bertha Freeder, "The Chorus Girl"; Miss Helen Deily, "The Maid."

As a headliner attraction for the meeting of the club next Tuesday evening, a "Peanut Party" is announced, and all members are requested to be present to learn what it is all about.

Plan Testimonial Dinner for Congressman Chindblom

A testimonial dinner in honor of Congressman Carl R. Chindblom is to be held at the Rainbo Gardens, Chicago, Wednesday evening, December 28. The reception will be at 6:30 and the dinner at 7 o'clock. The affair will be informal and both men and women of the local congressional district are invited.

Mrs. Thomas M. Brooks of 439 Walnut street entertained at dinner and bridge last evening. Her guests were Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Kahler, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pence and Mr. and Mrs. Phinney of Evanston.

Junior League Play Proves Delightful to Skokie Audience

The auditorium at Skokie school was crowded Wednesday afternoon for the Junior league performance of "Rose and the Ring." The mothers who attended enjoyed this delightful fairy tale as much as did their children. All of them, children and grown-ups, shrieked with laughter throughout the play. Emily Hamill, as Mrs. Gruffanuff, made as great a hit Wednesday as she did when the play was first given in Chicago, two weeks ago. The Fairy Blackstick was ably played by Peggy Owen. Daisiana Smith, as Bet-sinda, and Marion McFadden, as Prince Giuglio, made an attractive couple. Barbara Neff was cast as two characters, Tomaso Lorenzo and a student. Mrs. Gordon Gould, in her part as Queen, supplied many laughs.

The play was brought to the north shore by the board of the Winnetka Nursery school. Mrs. Walter Fisher is chairman of the board, Mrs. S. George Levy is vice-chairman and Mrs. George Smith, secretary; Mrs. Robert Brown, Mrs. Lawrence Cole, and Mrs. Emmons Blaine, Jr., had charge of publicity for the play, and Mrs. Dudley French was ticket chairman.

Among prominent north shore women who are patronesses for the Junior League Theater for Children are Mrs. Laird Bell and Mrs. Harold Ickes.

The Junior Leaguers are to begin rehearsals soon for their next play, "The Land of Oz," which will be presented at Skokie February 8. Tickets may be purchased at any time from Mrs. Dudley French.

Vesper Service Is New Departure at the Cong'l Church

Beginning Sunday, December 4, the Winnetka Congregational church will hold a vesper service at 5 o'clock, to replace the customary 8 o'clock service.

This change, it is said, is in response to a vote by the congregation, and the announcement adds:

"While we shall maintain the spirit of sincere and reverent worship, the order of service will be somewhat more informal, and variable.

"It is especially hoped that many will find this an opportunity for the whole family to worship together. Accordingly, the Rev. Thomas A. Goodwin is planning to give a short talk to the boys and girls each week as was done in the morning service during the summer months.

"We also expect that this earlier hour will permit a development of our musical resources. The junior choir will share with the adult chorus and quartet in the leadership of song.

The service will ordinarily be over by 6 o'clock, though it may be longer when we observe the Lord's Supper, as we do this coming Sunday."

Mrs. VanderVries Hostess to Voters' League Leaders

Mrs. John VanderVries, president of the Winnetka League of Women Voters, was hostess last Monday at a small luncheon in honor of Mrs. E. J. Abt of East St. Louis, Ill., at the Union League club in Chicago. Mrs. Abt, who is the wife of Senator Abt, is president of the East St. Louis County League of Women Voters. Among the luncheon guests were Mrs. James W. Morrison, Mrs. Lottie Holman and the presidents of several Women Voters leagues of Cook county.

POST OFFICE READY FOR ANNUAL YULETIDE BATTLE

Postmaster Lists Advisable Dates for Mailing to Various Points in United States

The Winnetka postoffice is now in a position to handle Christmas mail dispatching and delivery as never before in the history of the local office, according to Postmaster Joseph C. Braun. The recent removal to new quarters has provided the department with much better facilities and larger quarters which will to a large degree speed up the efficiency of the office under the rush conditions of the Yuletide.

It is suggested that in mailing parcels to various points throughout the United States the dispatching be done with the view of timing the package's arrival at its destination. The following list of suggested dates compiled by the postal department is submitted to guide the public in that respect:

List Mailing Dates

For Pacific coast states: Washington, Oregon, California, Nevada and Idaho, mail on December 14 and 15; to Western states such as Montana, Wyoming and Utah, mail between December 16 and 18. To southwestern states, as Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas, mail between December 16 and 18. To near western states, including North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado, mail between December 17 and 20. To southern states, including Arkansas, Louisiana, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, Virginia, West Virginia North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia, mail between the 17th and 20th. To neighboring states including Iowa, Missouri, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky, mail between December 19 and 21. For eastern states, such as New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, New Jersey, Delaware, and New England states, mail from December 17 to 20. For points in Illinois mail on the 21st or 22nd.

The advantages to be derived from following this plan of mailing is that the package will be included in mail sacks made up for some certain state and will proceed more directly, and with less possibility of being damaged in transit, to its destination. It will likewise aid the postal employees and railway mail clerks in the handling of the mail as it will not be necessary to handle the package so many times during its journey.

Prohibit Tinsel Cards

Attention is also called by Postmaster Braun to the regulation prohibiting the mailing of greeting cards with tinsel on them. Every year a large number of such cards are sent to the dead-letter office and the message never reaches its destination. The reason for this ruling, Postmaster Braun explains, is that the tinsel used is poisonous and is likely to cause an infection should it come in contact with or cause a cut on the hands of the postal employees.

The use of Christmas seals on packages going to a foreign country is restricted to the sides or back of the package and must not be placed on the address side of the package. Mr. Braun states. This ruling is made by the postal authorities of foreign countries and does not apply to mail addressed to some point within this country, however. All post cards, with the exception of the government made postal cards which require only a one cent stamp, must have a two cent stamp.