

### Major E. M. Skinner Applies for Job as 'Skeeter' Engineer

Definite action on the matter of selecting an engineer and permanent headquarters for the North Shore Mosquito Abatement district was deferred by the district trustees at their meeting on Thursday night of last week, held at the Wilmette Village hall, until the next regular meeting which will be held on Wednesday, January 26.

Arthur Stringer of Evanston, chairman of the committee appointed to select the engineer to be employed by the district, reported that he had had an interview with H. A. La Prince, United States Government engineer with headquarters at Memphis, Tenn., considered as the best authority on such work, and that Mr. La Prince had advised the immediate procurement of an engineer and the starting of survey in the district for the reduction of breeding places.

Paul Hoffman of Wilmette, chairman of the committee on headquarters, reported that the recent bad weather had rendered it impossible to get out on the road in search of suitable quarters but that he had conferred with Oscar W. Schmidt, county commissioner, who had promised to secure a farm house located in the forest preserve near the scene of operations with barns suitable for storing machinery and equipment.

About 50 residents of the north shore and others interested in mosquito abatement attended the meeting, several of them addressing the board on subjects pertaining to the work to be undertaken. Outstanding among these speaking was Major Edward M. Skinner, nationally known for his work in mosquito abatement and who conducted the survey in the Chicago area in association with the Gorgas Memorial association recently. Major Skinner requested that he be considered as an applicant for the position of district engineer and outlined his plan of work which follows the Gorgas plan. Others speaking were A. B. Farwell of Glencoe, H. W. Butler of Glencoe, Thomas A. Lynch of Winnetka, and Swain Nelson of Glenview.

### Women of N. K. E. C. Sew for Mary Crane Nursery

Sewing for the Mary Crane nursery, a responsibility of an energetic group of National Kindergarten and Elementary College alumnae, students and friends, occupied these women Monday when they held a luncheon meeting at the home of Mrs. George M. Groves, 415 Davis street, Evanston.

Once a month these busy women meet to sew for the nursery in which students at the college have teaching and observation experience. They also extend their help into the homes of the Hull house district where the nursery is situated.

Other Chicago and North Shore groups work with this local group—the Wells College club of Evanston, the West Elm Street circle and the Fuller Lane circles of Winnetka, and the south side alumnae of the Kindergarten college. Mrs. Harry G. Phillips, national president of the kindergarten college alumnae, Mrs. Alfred Bates, president of the local group, and Mrs. Percy W. Bradstreet are among those active in the Evanston group.

### CLASS MEETS TUESDAY

The Study class under the direction of Professor Guy Terry of Evanston, met at the home of Mrs. John Rathbone last Thursday. The next meeting will occur on January 26, at the home of Mrs. Claude Burnham, Roslyn road. Professor Terry is continuing his historical lectures upon the economic and political situation in Europe and England from 1870 up to the World war.

### Rathbone Heads Illinois State Society in Capital

Last Wednesday a large and representative gathering of sons and daughters of Illinois held a reception for Congressman Henry R. Rathbone and Mrs. Rathbone at the New Willard hotel in Washington, D. C.

Congressman Rathbone was recently elected president of the Illinois State society for the District of Columbia, and was inducted into office following the reception.

The society has a membership of between five hundred and a thousand

men and women, all of whom have been residents and most of whom are still citizens of our state. The larger states have their societies also in Washington, but the Illinois State society is recognized as one of the best and most flourishing of them all and it is considered a high honor to be chosen head of this organization.

### ADDRESSES FORUM

Prof. M. V. O'Shea, of the department of education at the University of Wisconsin, addressed the Wednesday Evening Forum on the subject of "Youth and the New Times," Janu-

ary 18, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benedict Goodman, 306 Hazel avenue, Highland Park. This Forum is made up of a group of north shore residents for the purpose of hearing interesting and educational lectures.

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