

Hold North Shore Cage Tourney as Arden Shore Benefit

An all north shore basketball tournament, the proceeds from which will be donated to Arden Shore, will be held at New Trier High school gymnasium under the auspices of the Wilmette State bank on March 12, 13, 14 and 15. The tourney is open to any team composed of amateur cagers from the north shore, regardless of age or weight, and will be held for the two-fold purpose of determining the championship of the entire north shore and procuring funds for Arden Shore.

Nine teams have already signed up and it is expected that at least that

many more will be entered within the next few days. The tournament is open to any team of amateur standing with the exception of teams from High schools or Northwestern university. Ten men will be allowed on each team's roster which must be registered before the tourney starts. All players must have resided on the north shore for at least six months or must be employed by the organization they represent. Entrance blanks may be obtained from Laurence Roth at the Wilmette State bank, who will be in active charge. Mr. Roth was, previous to his graduation, the Interscholar Athletic Manager for the University of Michigan.

Gold, silver, and bronze medals will be presented to eight players on each of the three leading teams at the end

of the contest. This is the first attempt ever made to hold a north shore wide cage tournament.

25 Scoutmasters Hear Evanston Executive

Twenty-five Scoutmasters of the north shore troops gathered at the Green Tea Pot, Highland Park, last Monday night for the monthly get-together for a "swapping of ideas." Dr. E. D. Kelly, Scout executive of Evanston, was the guest of honor and spoke on the need for the Scoutmaster discovering the weaknesses in his troop.

The next Scoutmasters' Round Table will be held on Monday evening, March 19, at the same place.

PHONE COMPANY NOW HAS DISTINCT AREAS

Two Complete Operating Organizations Established in Move for Greater Efficiency

To obtain greater operating efficiency and closer contact with the telephone using public, the Illinois Bell Telephone company, it has been announced, will divide its territory into two areas, each with a complete operating organization headed by a general manager.

The Chicago area includes the city of Chicago and the State area takes in the remainder of the company's territory in Illinois and Indiana heretofore constituting the Suburban and Illinois divisions. The following appointments are announced:

F. O. Hale, vice-president in charge of operation; Homer W. Bang, vice-president; A. R. Bone, secretary and assistant treasurer, succeeding E. G. Drew, retired. A. H. Mellinger, general manager, Chicago area; W. O. Kurtz, general manager, state area; Frank Redmund, assistant vice-president; Verne Ray, general employment supervisor.

Chicago area—Chief engineer, L. R. Mapes; general commercial manager, B. R. Cooper; general plant manager, P. J. Ramsey; general traffic manager, S. J. Larned.

State area—Chief engineer, G. B. West; general commercial manager, E. R. Cogswell; general plant manager, L. C. Jones; general traffic manager, F. A. dePeyster.

Mr. Hale, vice-president in charge of operation, was formerly vice-president and general manager. Homer W. Bang, vice-president, was formerly assistant to the president in charge of personnel and kindred activities, which will continue under his supervision. W. O. Kurtz, general manager, was formerly chief engineer of the entire company, and A. H. Mellinger, general manager, Chicago area, comes to Chicago from the New York Telephone company.

The Chicago area, on December 31, 1927, had a total of 903,460 telephones, and the territory in the State area, 392,961. The company made a net gain of 80,963 telephones during 1927. This extremely rapid growth and the large extent and increasingly heavy traffic over the company's system of telephones form the reasons for the changes just announced.

The company estimates that expenditures for new construction in 1928 will be \$38,000,000, and for the next five years \$172,000,000.

The two-area plan became effective March 1.

Scout Charles Southward to Be Awarded Eagle Palm

Troop 13 of Kenilworth held its monthly Court of Honor on Tuesday, February 21. This was the anniversary Court and it was planned to have 18 Scouts receive merit badges. This was suggested at the February Court when the number was nearly eighteen. This time it was increased to 24 Scouts—the number for the anniversary six years hence. The Scouts had to come up in groups of ten. It was figured that the total number of Scouts that could have received merit badges was about 36. At the next Court, Scout Charles Southward will receive a gold palm, in addition to his Eagle Scout badge. This is the highest rank ever attained by any Scout in the Troop.

Mrs. W. J. Sturgeon and her daughter, Ethelmae, have sold their home in Wilmette and have taken an apartment in Evanston.

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