

# WINNETKA TALK

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## ASSESSED VALUATION

### BOOSTED \$3,486,152

#### Wilmette and Winnetka Tax Rates Lowered While Kenilworth and Glencoe Increase

An increase of \$3,486,152 is shown in the assessed valuation of the property in the New Trier villages of Wilmette, Kenilworth, Winnetka and Glencoe, according to figures which have just been released by the Cook county Board of Review. New Trier's total assessed valuation in 1926 was \$35,675,836 and that in 1927, on which the levy for the taxes now being collected was made, is \$39,161,988. Levies were made this year on full assessed value of property

##### In Wilmette

In Wilmette, as shown in the accompanying tables, the tax rate this year is 6.01 percent, based on a total valuation of \$12,648,034. In 1926, the rate was 6.17 percent on a like valuation of \$11,240,380, a decrease in the rate of .16 and a valuation increase of \$1,407,694.

##### In Kenilworth

The valuation in Kenilworth this year is \$3,167,022, an increase of \$221,072 over 1926, and in which village there is also an increase in the rate from 5.97 in 1926 to 6.04, on which the levy was made for this year's taxes.

##### In Winnetka

Winnetka enjoys both a lower rate and higher valuation. The new rate is 6.04, as against 6.07 in 1926 and the total valuation for this year is \$15,360,552, as against \$13,916,894, in 1926, on which the taxes for last year were computed.

##### In Glencoe

The rate this year in Glencoe is 6.44 as against 6.32½ in 1926, and the total assessed valuation this year is \$7,986,400 as compared with \$7,572,672 the previous year.

#### Masonic Lodge Sponsors a Prize Bridge Contest

A prize bridge contest is being held by the Winnetka Masonic lodge and started last Tuesday evening, March 13. The playing will continue each Tuesday evening during March and April, and is open to all members of the lodge and their Masonic friends. The contestants will be allowed to have only one partner for the entire series, and the combined scores will be considered in the awarding of the many valuable prizes. Duplicate bridge will be played, and by this interesting, yet simple method all teams play the same hands during each evening. Absent partners may provide substitute players when it proves to be necessary. The committee consists of Ferdinand Wolter, Charles Lovgren, William S. Nordburg, and Charles Carlstrand.

#### TALKS TO STUDENTS

Supt. E. L. Nygaard of the Kenilworth school spoke to several groups of New Trier students last Friday. Those groups which he addressed were the sophomores, many of the art department, the art club and any other students who were interested in a talk on art.

## Assessed Valuation

### in Winnetka is 10% Over That of 1926

Winnetka's total assessed valuation of \$15,360,552 is an increase of 10.3 percent over that of last year, due principally to a 10 percent increase in real estate valuation.

New buildings, higher value as placed on acreage recently subdivided and some increase in business values are primarily responsible for the real estate valuation increase.

According to the board of assessors, the average values for residential property in Winnetka were not increased by the quadrennial re-assessment of 1927. This, it is said, is the first time in many years that there has not been a general increase in property values in a quadrennial year.

The personal property valuation increased 15 percent and the railroad valuation decreased 3 percent.

It should be understood that as a result of action by the last legislature, assessed valuations which will appear on tax bills, will be just double last year's figures, assuming, of course, there is no change in the base valuation. Also, under the new law, all tax rates are cut in half. Winnetka's tax rate last year was 12.14 percent of the assessed valuation, which, on the new basis, is 6.07 percent. The tax rate this year, as shown in a table in this issue of TALK, is 6.04 percent, showing a small decrease from that of last year. This is due principally to the reduction in the road and bridge levy from .25 to .08 percent, which means a loss to Winnetka of about \$10,000.

The village rate shows an increase from 0.98½ to 1.02 percent, due to the levy for police and fire departments pension funds, new this year.

The Winnetka Village rate of 1.02 is the lowest of any in the township, except Wilmette.

The teachers of the Horace Mann school were entertained at luncheon by Miss Kate Dwyer at the Hearthstone Tea Room in Winnetka last Thursday.

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## NEXT WEEK IN WINNETKA

Saturday, March 17, Skokie school, 8 P. M., Play

Monday, March 19, Community House, 8 P. M., Congregational church, meeting

Tuesday, March 20, Community House, 10 A. M., Rev. Richards' lecture

Woman's club, 2:30, Woman's club meeting (Music committee in charge)

Community House, 4-7:15-9, Motion pictures, "Publicity Madness"

Wednesday, March 21, Community House, all day, Woman's society, Congregational church, Luncheon at 12:30

Thursday, March 22, Community House, 7:30 P. M., Boy Scout exhibition

Friday, March 23, Community House, 12:15 P. M., Rotary club luncheon

Community House, 4-7:15-9, motion pictures, Jackie Coogan, "Buttons."

## Dr. A. R. Hatton to Give Main Address at Voters Meeting

The Winnetka League of Women Voters has secured Dr. A. R. Hatton of the Political Science Department of Northwestern University as the principal speaker for its Candidates Meeting to be held Monday evening, March 26, in Rudolph Matz hall.

Dr. Hatton was so well liked when he appeared at the Conference on Federal Measures given by the League last Monday that he was considered the best speaker the League could secure to present the issues of the April primary as they affect Illinois. His subject for the Candidates Meeting will be "Home Rule in Illinois." Following Dr. Hatton's address candidates will present their platforms.

The League of Women Voters is the only organization which presents candidates of all parties on the same program with no endorsement of platforms or candidates.

There will be no admission fee for what promises to be an instructive and interesting evening, as this program will be the League's contribution to Winnetka voters for the advancement of political education and intelligent citizenship.

## Hold Chamber of Commerce Election at April Meeting

The annual election of officers of the Winnetka Chamber of Commerce will be held at the April meeting, it was announced at the March session of the Chamber last Monday evening.

President Thomas J. Lynch appointed a nominating committee comprising R. F. Doepel, Judge C. T. Northrup, Victor Killian, A. F. Peters and Harvey N. Bowen who are to report at the April meeting.

The Chamber of Commerce annual dinner will be held in May, to which the Board of Governors of Community House will be invited as honorees.

## MANY RALLY TO AID OF COMMUNITY HOUSE

### Budget Drive Brings Encouraging Response: Workers Would Complete Job This Week

"If you were not at home when the canvasser for Community House called, won't you send in your contribution for 1928 maintenance by mail, or have it ready for his next visit?"

This is the message which the Finance Committee of the House wishes to bring to everyone interested in the Community Center, this week. Last Sunday nearly 200 men called on their neighbors, and though many were out or away, an excellent start was made toward the goal of \$12,000.

### Would Complete Work Tomorrow

Including funds received through the mail more than \$7,500 has thus far been pledged or paid. This is considered by the Board of Governors as excellent progress. The work is continuing throughout the week. On Friday a downtown luncheon was scheduled for the zone leaders and the finance committee, to hear reports and make plans for the work remaining. The canvassers will endeavor to complete their calls over this week-end, and it is expected that returns then will show if the desired amount has been attained.

Meanwhile friends of Community House are rallying to its support on Monday evening. The Community Drama club donated the proceeds of its performance of "Love in a Mist" to the benefit of the House. The Winnetka Rotary club and the Winnetka Chamber of Commerce have made contributions, and their members are assisting in the general campaign.

The feeling is general that Community House is undervalued and is deserving of more liberal support. So many activities of a worthwhile nature, which cannot be self-supporting center here, that one really needs to list those items which appeal to him. His pledge then should be large enough to represent his interest in each, such as the Boy Scouts, the Camp Fire Girls, English classes for Foreigners, Girls' Friendly club, dramatics, art league, etc.

Then, too, the Governors are faced with unusual building and equipment renewals this year. Additional revenue will be welcomed to keep the House in condition to give best service.

A. E. Bryson is chairman of the Finance committee, assisted by Harry N. Gottlieb, N. H. Blatchford, and George D. Wolf, treasurer.

## Call Church Meeting to Discuss Building Plans

At the request of the Church Building committee and the Church Building Finance committee of the Winnetka Congregational church, a special business meeting of the Church is called for next Monday evening, March 19, at eight, in Matz hall, to hear a report from the Church Building Finance committee, to discuss plans for the new church in the light of the recent financial campaign and to take such action as may seem desirable, it was announced this week.