

GOTHAM CRAVES FACTS ABOUT OUR WINNETKA

Discussion at Skokie School Attracts Nation-Wide Attention to Village

A meeting held at the Skokie school last Friday night for the purpose of discussing local school problems and attended by five hundred Winnetka citizens, developed more than local interest.

In the course of the discussion a statement made by Roland D. Whitman, 640 Hill road, attracted nation-wide attention. Chicago papers printed the story and the following day Mr. Whitman received a telegram from the New York World asking for a story by him concerning the Village of Winnetka.

Following is Mr. Whitman's account which appeared in the New York paper:

"Winnetka lies along the shores of Michigan and is one of the oldest villages suburban to Chicago. It is filled with beautiful homes and small estates and is peopled with large families, among whom until recent years divorces were unknown social events. Among its residents have always been many of wealth and social prominence, yet it is distinctly democratic.

"Here no one seeks office, but those thought best fitted are in turn drafted into public service without pay, regardless of the individual's pressure of work in his vocation.

"A large proportion of the population has always been traveled and cultured college graduates. Its community spirit is such that with sufficient effort and proper leadership any worthwhile community project, and sometimes one of doubtful value, is sure of success.

Cites Achievements

"Under leadership of public spirited and generous men and women the village has achieved among other things the following:

"First community house in America; the name was created here.

"Village plan commission as early as 1915.

"Municipally owned and operated electric light and water plant, which in 20 years has grown from \$5,000 capital value to one which produces for the village \$140,000.

"Excellent 18-hole municipally owned golf course and playground.

"Library not donated by Carnegie.

"Extensive system of large and small parks, including municipally owned and operated bathing beaches.

"Strict zoning ordinance, second to be adopted in Illinois.

"For adults and children a series of fine orchestral concerts and series of artist recitals at which are offered only artists of very first rank.

"Winnetka school system, which is one of two or three school plans most studied and discussed in America today, and as part of its school equipment a junior high school building costing \$329,000, built by popular subscriptions ranging from \$1 to \$6,000 and donated to the public school district.

Boost for New Trier

"From this school children pass to the New Trier Township High school, located within the village, which is one of the finest preparatory schools of the Middle West.

"Winnetka's popularity has caused the village to grow in twenty years from 2,400 to 11,000.

"Notwithstanding all this, and perhaps because of it, there remains a fly in the ointment. Here uplift, like the poor, is with us always.

"In all matters, in whatever department or field, from those of world importance to those of the smallest local

Recitalist



Andres Segovia, the famous Spanish guitarist, will be the soloist presented next season in the fourth of the Artist-Recital series sponsored by the Winnetka Music club.

Segovia is alone in his mastery of the guitar. On this instrument he plays Bach compositions with a sustained legato that seems little short of miraculous. Lawrence Gilman, the celebrated music critic, says of Segovia's playing: "His most remarkable achievement is in the delivery of polyphonic passages, which sing from his guitar with the clarity and independence of movement that one looks for only in the performance of keyboard or vocal or instrumental music; and this clarity of utterance is paired with a beauty and plasticity of nuance which could not be easily overpraised."

This world-renowned artist is 31 years old and has been playing his guitar professionally ever since his fifteenth year. Mr. Gilman says further of Segovia that he is one of the "most consummate masters of any instrument now before the public. He has made the guitar a thing to be spoken of in the same breath with the harpsichord of Landowska, the 'cello of Casals, the violin of Heifetz."

Congregational Church Holds Promotion Program

Sunday will be promotion day at the Winnetka Congregational church, when, at the 1 o'clock morning service, The Rev. Paul Hutchinson will deliver the baccalaureate sermon, at which time twenty-one diplomas of graduation will be presented.

There will also be ten gold stars presented, these being for scholarship and attendance, from the fourth grade on through the High school.

The Primary and Kindergarten departments will hold their usual service at 9:30, at which time there will be presented sixty-one of the Richard Conable Memorial Bibles to children in the Third grade.

The Rev. James Austin Richards will preach at Oberlin, Ohio, Sunday.

The sermon at the Vesper service at 5 o'clock, by the Rev. Thomas A Goodwin, will be, "The Authority of Jesus."

interest, we men on the street here have, on demand or without, an assumed knowledge and ready-to-wear solution for all problems, world or otherwise, which is advanced with an assurance that it is the absolute. This often puts blinders on us as to the thoughts and achievements of other communities."

Beach Regulations Set Forth by Park Board

Beaches open from June 16 to September 16.

Official hours: Lake Front Park, 9:00 a. m. until dark, not later than 9 p. m. Elder Lane Park 1:00 p. m. until dark, not later than 9:00 p. m.

No bathing allowed when sign to that effect is posted.

No dressing or undressing allowed, except in the bath house.

At Lake Front park, all clothing must be placed in the bath house.

Rubbish must be placed in park containers.

No fires allowed on beaches on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

No dogs allowed at parks or beaches.

Profane language, rough or immodest conduct will not be tolerated.

No smoking permitted in the bath house.

Breaking glass on the beach is strictly prohibited.

Fees for persons not holding tickets: Week days, adults, 25 cents; children, 10 cents. Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, adults, 50 cents; children, 25 cents. A charge of 25 cents will be made for lockers on these days.

Season tickets, \$2.

POPPY SALE SUCCESS

Chairman Gedge of Legion Post Renders Accounting Showing Total Gross Receipts Totaling \$736.20

Arthur C. F. Gedge, chairman of Poppy sales by Winnetka Post No. 10, American Legion, reports gross receipts of \$736.20, and expresses the desire to thank all, in the name of the post, who contributed, either on the sales staff or as buyers, to this worthy welfare enterprise.

For the benefit of Winnetka and Glencoe residents who contributed so generously it has been suggested that a statement showing the disposition of the fund would be of interest at this time.

Winnetka Post has always purchased its poppies from the State department of the American Legion, paying five cents per poppy, they, in turn, purchasing from the veterans in the hospitals who make the poppies, both groups sharing in the profits. The profits of the State department go to the support and maintenance of its service bureau.

The report by Mr. Gedge, in detail, follows:

Total poppy sales, \$736.20.

Cost of 4,000 poppies, at five cents each, \$200.00.

Cost of 14 wreaths placed on graves, \$40.00.

Railroad fare to Oconomowoc and return, \$7.00.

Expense incurred in connection with burial of Comrade Kutschker, in Memorial Park cemetery, \$54.00.

Credited to service fund, \$435.20.

The item of \$7.00 for railroad fare was for the trip to Oconomowoc by Comrade Schafahen to place a wreath on the grave of Charles Douglas Weart.

The balance of \$435 was credited to the service fund and is used only for disabled or needy Winnetka World War veterans and their families and is a separate and distinct trust fund, under the jurisdiction of three trustees, namely, Dr. Frank Blatchford, J. M. Dickinson, Jr., and Ayres Boal.

GOOD SPORTS

A good thing for Winnetka residents to do is Play Golf at Skokie Playfield—Support your Winnetka Bathing Beaches!

BATHING SEASON MAY BEGIN NEXT SATURDAY

Weather Man to Determine Whether Time Has Arrived for Season's Inaugural

Despite the fact that the Weather Man has utterly ignored the announcement that Winnetka bathing beaches are scheduled to open Saturday, June 16, for the season, closing September 16, officials of the Winnetka Park district are going forward with plans looking toward the busiest season the beaches here have yet experienced.

The park officials know that warm weather, the sort which attracts throngs of people to the two splendid beaches which the Winnetka Park district maintains, is just around the corner, and they are all ready for the season when it opens.

Beach Tickets Ready

Sanborn Hale, treasurer of the Winnetka Park district, is now mailing out the registration or bathing season tickets, about 300 of which have already been subscribed for. There were 887 beach tickets taken out last season.

Those who have not taken out their tickets are required to do so as early as possible. It is necessary that the applications be received, that the names, addresses and telephone numbers of the applicants may be properly recorded, for the most convenient handling of the work.

Two Bathing Beaches

The Winnetka Park district maintains two bathing beaches, one at Lake Front park and one at Elder Lane park.

At the former a bathhouse is provided with a matron and two life guards; at the latter, a life guard is maintained.

In order to adequately equip and supervise these beaches it is necessary to sell family season tickets, which will entitle a Winnetka family and two house guests at any one time to the use of the beaches for the season. This plan has been in effect for the past two years and has met with a very general response from the community.

As a result, it has been possible to provide enlarged bathhouse facilities at Lake Front park and to continue to maintain a life guard with boat and shelter house at Elder Lane park.

Tickets at Bank

Tickets are on sale at the Winnetka State bank at \$2.00 each if purchased on or before July 1, and at \$3.00 each if purchased after that date. Each ticket will be numbered and those using the beach can simply state the number on the ticket and the family name to the guard or matron on duty, the ticket being retained at home.

The charges, in lieu of the ticket, will be 50c for adults and 25c for children on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. On other days, the charges will be 25c for adults and 10c for children. On Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, an additional charge of 25c will be made for the use of a locker at the Lake Front Park beach, to those not holding a ticket.

There is a justifiable local pride in the Winnetka beaches, and it has been suggested that those who may not use the beaches but wish to contribute to the maintenance cost may do so by mailing checks, for any amount, to Sanborn Hale, treasurer, at the Winnetka State bank.

PRESENT VIKING PLAY

The third grade pupils of Miss Lila Graham at the Hubbard Woods school gave a Viking play of their own composition at the school assembly Thursday morning.