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PRICE FIVE CENTS

O. K. COMMITTEE PLAN FOR \$650,000 CHURCH

Members of Congregational Church Unanimous in Approval of Building Report

Detailed plans are to be made of the proposed new Winnetka Congregational church, preliminary bids taken and all steps directed towards an early beginning of work on the plans for the \$650,000 edifice to be located on the present church structure.

This action was given practically unanimous support at a representative meeting of the church congregation Wednesday evening, following the report and recommendations of the church building committee, of which William D. McKenzie is chairman.

Members Enthusiastic

It was an harmonious gathering, featured by a spirit of enthusiasm which the committee itself brought to the meeting after many weeks of careful study of the problem in hand, and at the close of the session the committee was given a unanimous vote of thanks for its splendid efforts.

The proposed structure is to be of Gothic design, the type originally planned. It will have a seating capacity of 900, and will be located on the site of the present church, which will probably be moved westward on the church property.

The entire project is to cost approximately \$650,000, including the purchase of what is known as the Seymour lot west of the present church property, a transfer consummated some time ago.

Purchase South Tract

The meeting Wednesday evening also authorized the purchase of the property to the south of Community House, having a frontage of 100 feet on Lincoln avenue, with a view of providing for the future expansion of Community House activities. The cost of the Lincoln avenue property is also included in the \$650,000 investment.

Five hundred thousand dollars have already been pledged for the new church, and now that the congregation is in accord concerning the type and general plans of the building, only mere details of plans are to be worked out before work will actually be started, it is said.

The Building Committee

Associated with Chairman William D. McKenzie on the church building committee are Mrs. Ayres Boal, John Leonard Hamilton, Mrs. August Magnus, John Stuart, Charles M. Thomson and Frank A. Windes.

The committee members have visited many churches throughout the country, and even in Europe, in order that it might bring to the congregation the results of a thorough and comprehensive study of the proposition.

SCHOOLS CLOSE 2 DAYS

Public schools in Winnetka will close for a two-day Thanksgiving vacation next Thursday and Friday, November 29 and 30. Classes will be resumed the following Monday morning, December 3.

Ask Contributions For Winnetka Scout Budget

Letters have been mailed to Winnetka householders from the Winnetka District committee, Boy Scouts, requesting contributions to the quota of this village for the annual expense budget of the north shore area council. The letter, which is signed by Harold D. Hill, chairman of the finance committee, and the fifteen other members of the committee, states that Winnetka's share for 1928-1929 is \$2750. Although Winnetka has been a part of the north shore area council since July, the financial year dates from December 1. There are seven Boy Scout troops in the village, including one at Sacred Heart church in Hubbard Woods, and one at Christ church.

Red Cross Issues Appeal for Money Before Thanksgiving

With the Red Cross Twelfth Annual Roll Call still under way, to continue until Thanksgiving Day, an appeal for more memberships was issued by Mrs. Willoughby Walling, chairman in Winnetka.

"The response the first week of the campaign, which started Armistice Day," Mrs. Walling said, "was good, but we must do even better during the remaining time if our campaign is to go across. Our goal is \$180,000, every cent of which is needed to maintain the work of the Red Cross in this district during the coming year. We are still a long way from our goal, and every citizen of this district must join the Red Cross now, if we want our campaign to be a success."

James B. Forgan, Jr., chairman of the Chicago Chapter, and vice-president of the First National Bank of Chicago, issued much the same type of plea. He stressed the fact that it was impossible to make a house to house canvass to solicit memberships, and that giving must be voluntary.

Dean Shailer Mathews to Preach at Cong'l Church

Dean Shailer Mathews of the University of Chicago Divinity school will preach at the Winnetka Congregational church, this Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, for which sermon, on the first day of Thanksgiving week, he announces the very appropriate topic, "Can We Be Thankful?"

Churches Plan Union Thanksgiving Services

Union Thanksgiving services, with Christ church, the First Scandinavian Evangelical church, the Christian Fellowship church and the Winnetka Congregational church uniting, will be held at the Congregational church, Thursday morning, November 29, at 10:30 o'clock. The Rev. E. Ashley Gerhard, rector of Christ church, will preach the sermon. Every resident of the village is invited to this community observance.

Towns May Appeal to Commerce Body for Gas Rate Cut

According to a report made by Trustee C. J. Easterberg, chairman of the Public Utility committee to the Village council Tuesday evening, it appears quite probable that the municipalities from Winnetka to Waukegan will have to bring joint action before the Illinois Commerce Commission to secure the desired reduction in gas rates.

The rates of the North Shore Gas company are said to be higher than those of the Public Service company, which serves the territory immediately south of Winnetka, and negotiations for a reduction in the rates of the North Shore company have been underway for a long time.

Trustee Easterberg stated that he had discussed the matter recently with Mayor Lewis of Highland Park, who also feels, he said, that it will be necessary to make an appeal to the Illinois Commerce commission, since, he stated further, the North Shore Gas company has shown no disposition on its part to grant a voluntary reduction.

Trustees Easterberg was requested by the council to negotiate further with Mayor Lewis relative to calling a meeting of representatives of the various municipalities affected that they might further the plan of appealing to the commerce commission.

Council to Get Report Soon on Lincoln Plan

Due to the fact that Trustee H. L. Raclin, chairman of the committee in charge of the proposed extension of Lincoln avenue from Elm to Oak streets, was not present at the meeting of the Village council Tuesday evening, no report on the progress of the work was submitted. It was understood, however, that definite plans have been formulated upon which a report is expected at the next meeting of the council.

DEDICATE NEW GYM AT NEW TRIER DECEMBER 7

High School Board Members to Formally Present Structure to Township Citizens

New Trier High school's new \$675,000 gymnasium will be dedicated Friday, December 7, when the public will be invited to inspect the building. The new gymnasium will be officially presented to the township by J. R. Gathercoal, representing the New Trier school board. Mr. Gathercoal is president of the board.

The program planned for the dedication will be so arranged as to give patrons of the school an idea of the various activities that may be centered in the building, according to Miss Elizabeth E. Packer, acting principal of the school. Doors will be open at 7 o'clock and the program will start at 7:30.

Musical Program

Musical numbers will be furnished by the high school band, orchestra, and glee clubs. Mr. Gathercoal's short presentation speech will be followed with a talk by Edward J. Phelps, chairman of the committee on student activities of the New Trier school board.

Three numbers representing various phases of the physical education work of the school will be given after the speeches. The program will close with the first basketball game of the season. New Trier will play Englewood High school of Chicago.

Started Year Ago

Ground for the new gymnasium was broken late in the winter of 1927. The structure was used for the first time last June, when the annual commencement exercises were held there. It contains two gymnasiums, one for boys that will be used for all general activities and games, and a smaller one for girls, in addition to the offices for coaches and athletic department heads, club rooms, and locker rooms. The building has been so laid out that the larger gymnasium can be turned into an auditorium that will seat 3,000 people, and the smaller one used as a stage.

THANKSGIVING PRESENT

Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of next week Hubbard Woods school pupils will bring fruits, vegetables, old clothing, and other articles to the school, where they will be assembled and sent to the Chicago Commons for a Thanksgiving present.

GOIN' TO PRESS EARLY

The Thanksgiving holiday next week makes it necessary that next week's issue of WINNETKA TALK go to press one day in advance of its regular schedule. In accordance with this arrangement all advertising and news copy must be in the office of WINNETKA TALK, not later than Wednesday evening, November 28. Co-operation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

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then it's

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