

### Highland Park

Miss Barlow was unable to take up her work at grammar school this week and Miss Meyers, a kindergarten assistant from the Evanston schools, acted as substitute. Miss Barlow plans to return to her work on Monday.

The stockholders of the Highland Park State Bank held their annual meeting on Saturday January 14th and elected the following board of directors: Charles B. Rice, C. G. Phillips, Frederick M. Steele, Thomas S. Creighton, and Frederick W. Cushing.

Why take the trouble to get dinner at home when you can get a first class dinner at Ravinia Park? They make a specialty of all kinds of sea food, steaks and chops. Phone 26.

Among the entertainments scheduled for the near future in Highland Park Clubs is a military Euchre party for next week Friday, February 3rd. These military parties are very pretty so it will be sure to attract, especially as it is in charge of a good committee, which assures success.

The comrades and friends of Henry Conlon miss his presence among them and extend their sympathy to the bereaved parents in Leroy, New York. Mr. Conlon was foreman of the finemen employed by the C. & M. E. Ry. and was accidentally killed at Rockefeller on Friday January 13th. His remains were taken to his home in Leroy, New York.

On Friday of last week Mrs. Secor Cunningham gave a luncheon in her Chicago home to the sixteen ladies assisting her at the charity ball. Her group represented America, and the nation's colors were used for decorations at the luncheon. The favors were of red, white and blue and the center piece was a large bunch of red and white roses decked with a bow of blue ribbon.

Rev. Mr. Rosebro was installed as pastor of the Presbyterian church in Deerfield last evening. Prof. Carrie of McCormick Seminary, Moderator of the Presbytery of Chicago, presided, Rev. Pfanstiehl preached the sermon and the Rev. Mr. Barr and the Rev. Mr. Safford both of Chicago also took part in the service. The people of Highland Park have given liberally to this little church and they will be interested to know that it is now in flourishing condition and a new parsonage has been built. Mr.

Very sad is the death of Miss Clara Henrietta Gruel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Gruel of this city, who passed away on Thursday afternoon at Augustine Hospital after an illness of ten days. Miss Gruel was born in Highland Park in the present homestead on Elm street, nineteen years ago, and since June has been employed in Dr. Pomeroy's office. Parent, three sisters, and one brother mourn the loss of the young woman and many dear friends will long remember the girl companion whose death leaves a vacancy among them.

All in all, Ravinia Park affords an invaluable opportunity for out-door sport, and should be better patronized by the people of Highland Park.

### New Dry Goods Store

A short time ago the NEWS LETTER suggested that there was room for a dry goods store on the west side of the track on account of Mrs. Bock retiring from business.

We don't know whether this started Charlie Warren thinking or not but are glad that he has profited by our suggestion and is to open to the public today one of the neatest and most complete line of dry goods and mens' furnishings to be found on the North Shore.

Mr. Warren has associated with him in the venture Mr. Burritt, advertising manager of the Nonotuck Silk Co., who is a thorough business man and will push the advertising end of the business.

Their aim will be to keep everything that is usually found in a first class store of its kind and we understand they want to make it the Marshal Fields of Highland Park. They have certainly started out right by engaging as clerks Grace Elvey and Flossie McClevy and the NEWS LETTER wishes them every success.

Sunday the 29th being McKinley day they will give to every one calling on Saturday a pink carnation.

### Daring Robbery

On Tuesday two men came to the Highland Park hotel at half past eleven in the morning and sat in the office until dinner time. A short time after their arrival a third man walked in; he seemingly was not acquainted with the others but when the three had eaten dinner one man paid for three meals. At quarter to one the two men came into George B. Cumming's drug store just after the latter had gone to lunch, and asked for cigars, these engaging the clerk and boy in conversation. The third man walked in and asked to use the telephone which is back in the office opposite the safe and cannot be seen from the cigar counter. In a minute the man came out, bought a cigar and left the store. The two men soon followed and all started for Chicago on the 12:55 train. At 3:30 Mr. Cummings came back and discovered his pocket book and about thirty-five dollars gone from the safe.

### Death of Historical Writer

Gilbert Rossiter, years ago a writer of historical sketches concerning the northwest, died on Monday at his home in Lake Forest, aged 85. He was buried at Rosehill Thursday. He was born in Connecticut and came to Chicago with his father in 1841. The young man became interested in Indian legends connected with the early history of Illinois, Wisconsin, and the Lake Superior region, and devoted much time to research and writing on the subject. He was one of the earliest settlers in Lake Forest, removing there in 1858. He is survived by a widow and two children, Mrs. Edward Allen Powers and Luther Newton Rossiter.

### At the Grammar School.

During the last few days progress on the new building has seemed more definite. The stairways are in place, and the plasterers are actively at work. The thorough drying of the building at every stage of circulating through the rooms. This will make safe the immediate occupancy of the building whenever the wood work is finished.

In connection with the laying of electric light wires in the new rooms, the older part of the building is being re-wired. As a result of an inspection of the wiring last summer by a representative of a state board of underwriters, the insurance rate on the building was materially raised. The inspector found for example, that wires in the attic were fastened to studding simply with wooden cleats. Later on when flooring was torn up in various parts of the building to trace out connections, it was found that wires had been run through gimlet holes in the studding and were without any insulation other than the covering on the wire. This made it necessary for the board to order all old wires removed and new wiring with porcelain insulation, metal ducts, etc. to be installed.

The black board surface in the new rooms is to be simply an extra coat of adamant plaster as a base, painted with liquid slating. This in accord with the equipment in some of the finest of the newer school buildings such as the Francis Parker school and the school of education in the city, where natural slate board, are being discarded. The latter are very expensive, they are frequently imperfect, and their efficiency is usually impaired by joints. The new boards here are to be of a green tint, which is restful to the eye and harmonizes with the room decorations.

Senator Tiffany, who introduced a measure a Springfield to prevent the sale of liquor within two miles of any military post, has this to say of his bill: "It would raise the moral standard of both the reservation and Highwood, because the soldiers would not go a distance of two miles for liquor." The child-like innocence of our senator is truly pathetic. If he were familiar with the element in the fort, who patronize the "buffetts" of Highwood, he would know that nothing but lack of the price, or its equivalent, a shirt or blanket, could separate one of these heroes from his booze. Distance would but lend enchantment and add to the number of prosecutions for absence without leave. Redelentative Gibbons is opposed to the bill. He says that if passed, it would only tend to spread an evil which is at present confined to Highwood.

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