

What People Are Doing in Highland Park

Mrs. M. A. Ives is giving a bridge party this afternoon.

Mr. C. E. Wilcox is attending the Cannery Convention in Atlantic City this week. On Tuesday Mr. Wilcox spoke before the convention on "Canned Goods from the Buyer's Standpoint". From all reports his speech was exceptionally good.

Miss Elizabeth Steele has gone to Green Bay, Wisconsin, for a two weeks visit.

Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Beaumont gave a very enjoyable Valentine party to eighteen Highland Park friends Wednesday evening.

Mrs. James W. Prindiville left on Thursday morning for California where she will spend the remainder of the winter.

Mrs. Maerklin entertained a few friends at cards on Wednesday evening in honor of her birthday.

The lecture on Abraham Lincoln given at the High School on Monday evening by Col. Merriam of Chicago was a great success. Col. Merriam was a personal friend of Lincoln's and as such had many interesting anecdotes to tell of him. His talk was followed by a short speech by Mr. Dement, also of Chicago. The lecture was well attended, a few of the Daughters of the Revolution, and all of the cadets of the Military Academy being present.

On Thursday Mr. G. D. Boulton and Mr. Kenneth Boulton left for a trip to the West Indies. Miss Muriel Boulton went on the same day to be the guest of Miss Eleanor Smoot at Ann Arbor.

A musical programme was given at the Highland Park Club last night. Miss Harding read "The Blind Girl of Castle Cuille" by Longfellow, with Mrs. Jones at the piano. Mr. Day Williams was the cellist, and with Mrs. Jones and Mr. George Jones played a trio.

Perhaps the most thoroughly enjoyable affair of the week was the Progressive Valentine party which took place on Wednesday evening. This novel idea originated with a number of young men who are to be congratulated on the success of the evening. About twenty-four young people took part meeting at the home of Mr. Fred R. Moon, where the first course of the supper was served and games indulged in. From there they proceeded to Miss Lillian Herdclotz, then to Miss Gertrude Brand's and finished the evening's frolic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Norenberg. The fourteenth will long be remembered by those participating.

The following is only one of the many exceptional land bargains to be had in Tullahoma and vicinity:

No. 138. This tract of land contains 164 acres, 75 of which are under cultivation and fenced. Small orchard watered by creek and spring. A nice 2 storied 6 room house on the place, with 2 barns and two smoke-houses. This tract is located within a mile of the station, and close to church and school. The land is slightly rolling, but only enough to drain itself well. Soil on this tract reddish clay slightly mixed with gravel. This is one of the best bargains we have considering location and price, and its adaption for a stock farm. The price of this tract is only \$1,800.00, and it will prove interesting to any one wanting a tract of this size. At the present this is on the bargain counter but will not be with us long.

Homeseeker's Excursion next Tuesday.

Miss Isabel Scott is giving a luncheon today which is to be followed by a large card party in the afternoon.

The first valentine party of the season took place at Sylvan Dells School on Saturday last. The affair was also to celebrate the birthdays of two of the small boys of the school.

The Chicago Telephone Company issued this week a new directory to its subscribers in Highland Park, Highwood, Fort Sheridan and Glencoe. The new book is smaller and more convenient than the previous North Shore directory, and it was printed at the News-Letter office.

The girls' basket ball team of the High School will play the McKinley High School girls in the High School gymnasium next Tuesday afternoon.

Prof. Trobridge of the Moody Bible Institute will conduct a song service on Sunday night at the First Baptist Church. A large chorus will sing some of the newest and latest Gospel Songs. A rehearsal of the chorus will be held on Sunday afternoon at 4:30.

On Sunday morning at 10:45, Rev. Geo. D. Rogers of the Baptist Church will preach on the subject "Finality in Religion", taking the topic from Prof. Foster's latest book which has caused such wide discussion among Baptist ministers.

Mrs. Samuel Slade left on Tuesday morning with her sister, Mrs. Addington of Chicago, to spend a month or six weeks at Pass Christian, Miss. Mr. Slade will join them later.

Socialists Attack Primary Act

The Socialist party has attacked the new primary law in the courts and will test its validity.

A petition for mandamus to compel the board of election commissioners of Cook county to permit the Socialists to hold a primary has been filed in the supreme court. The mandamus brings up many points in the law on which the validity will be attacked if the court takes jurisdiction.

Some time ago the election commissioners refused to permit the socialists to participate in the primary on February 24, because they had not polled at the last election at least 20 per cent of the total vote cast in that county.

The petition which has been filed in the supreme court asks that tribunal to compel the election commissioners to permit the Socialist party to hold a primary under the old law on the ground that the new one is unconstitutional.

While admitting that the law contains some defects, the commissioners are sanguine that the court will uphold the entire act. The commissioners are prepared to defend the law.

The main points on which the party bases its petition are the following.

That the law is invalid because it places a financial restriction on a citizen running for public office by requiring a filing fee of from \$25 to \$100 before a candidate can have his name printed on the official primary ballot.

That the law is invalid because it requires a party to poll 20 per cent of the total vote to have a primary in Cook county and only 10 per cent in the remainder of the state.

That the law is invalid because down in the state it prevents the nomination of more than one

candidate for the legislature in one county where the district includes several counties.

That the law is invalid because the bill was not read three times in each house before it was voted upon. The critics assert that the legislature passed a conference committee report and not a bill. Legislative experts say, however, that a conference report is equivalent to a bill.

The petition has been filed by Mr. Stroever, representing the Socialists of Cook county.

"The Socialists are making the fight, but both the old parties are interested in the matter," said Mr. Stroever. "No one is satisfied with the new primary law, because the more it is investigated the clearer it develops that it is not a reform measure, but a scheme to perpetuate the present political machines. There is no doubt that the law is unconstitutional, for it is a hodge-podge affair, bristling with sections that can be interpreted in a dozen different ways. It is so full of ambiguities and contradictions that one can drive a four-in-hand through it in many places.

"Inasmuch as the Socialists polled 20 per cent of the vote cast in four wards in Chicago, that party could demand a primary in these wards at least, under the law, but not in the rest of the city, and this condition adds to the general confusion arising from the numerous interpretations placed on the act."

The supreme court took jurisdiction in this case this morning when it allowed the motion for leave to file the petition. Nothing was said by the court as it entered the order taking jurisdiction. Among politicians this action of the Socialists in attacking the bill is taken seriously and it is greatly feared that the court will knock the law to pieces. It is entirely impossible to make any predictions as to the time of a decision but it is likely that, owing to the near approach of the primary day, the court will take up the subject at once and render a decision, filing the opinion later.

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