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NEARBY NEWS ITEMS OF LOCAL INTEREST

SWIFT-MINOTTO WEDDING JAN. 15TH

Old Lake County Resident Dead. Jury Frees Coleman. Municipal Christmas Tree for Lake Forest. Apple King Expires.

Swift-Minotto Wedding Jan. 15th

Miss Ida May Swift, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis F. Swift, has set January fifteenth as the date of her marriage to Count James Minotto of New York, son of Count and Countess Minotto of Venice, Italy. The announcement of the engagement was made Sunday. The Count, who has been stopping at the Blackstone, left that day for New York. The ceremony will take place at the residence of the bride's parents, 1200 Lake Shore Drive, and immediately after the couple are to leave on a wedding trip to South America.

"Our wedding trip will take us to South America," Miss Swift said, "but we do not intend to stay there. Our home will be in New York, though I expect my fiancé will have to make occasional visits to South America and Europe."

Count Minotto is the son of an Italian father and a German mother of equal rank. He has been in America a number of years, and has charge of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York—Lake Forester.

Jury Frees Coleman

The efforts of the state to send Albert Coleman to the gallows for the murder of Thomas Morrison, a detective in the employ of the St. Paul railroad, failed. After four months' incarceration in the county jail, the alleged murderer walked from the court house a free man at eight o'clock Saturday night. He had been found "not guilty" by a jury of twelve men, a majority of whom were farmers. When the verdict was read in court at 7:30 p. m. Saturday night, young Coleman rushed to his lawyers, James G. Welch, John G. Welch and Elmer V. Orvis, and with tears in his eyes, thanked them for saving his life. Then Coleman grasped the hand of each of the jurors and thanked them in person for giving him his liberty. State's Attorney Ralph J. Dady was not in court when the verdict was read, but was represented there by his assistant, E. M. Runyard. The finding of the jury ends one of the most bitterly contested criminal suits ever tried in Lake County. When the lawyers were retained, or rather appointed by the court to defend the alleged murderer, it looked as though they had been given a hopeless case.

Old Lake County Resident Dead

Samuel S. Greenleaf, one of the first white settlers of Lake County, and without doubt the oldest resident of Waukegan, died at the home of his son, S. F. Greenleaf, at 127 Washington Street, Waukegan, at five minutes past one Monday morning. The deceased was engaged for seventy-five years in the shoe business in Lake and McHenry counties, a record probably never equalled by any other man in the state or country. Had he lived until the 23rd of January, 1916, he would have celebrated his 98th birthday. He was regarded as the oldest living resident of Lake County.

Municipal Tree at Lake Forest

Lake Forest is to have an up-to-date municipal Christmas tree this year. If the plans of Mayor Lewis and the committee carry, Lake Forest people are to see the real Christmas spirit manifested—with a municipal Christmas tree on the triangular park near the intersection of Deerpath and Walnut road. On Christmas eve at five-fifteen all the bells in the city will ring out "Peace on earth, good will to men." A company of buglers from (Continued on page 8)

WEEKLY WATER REPORT

Issued by the Department of Health of the City of Highland Park

Date submitted, December 18, 1915. Taken from laboratory tap. Presumptive test, positive in 2 of 5—10 c. e. portions. Number colonies to c. c.—6. Colon bacilli in 2 of 5—10 c. e. portions. Water unsafe. Boil your drinking water.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAMES IN LOCAL CHURCHES

ENTERTAINMENTS VERY ATTRACTIVE

Christmas Tree, Candles, and Presents for all the Children. Christmas Eve Time Most Popular For Parties

Swedish Lutheran Church
The Swedish Lutheran church will hold their Christmas services in Library Hall, on Saturday morning, at 5:15 o'clock. Everybody welcome.

Parochial School, St. Mary's Catholic Church

The children of the first and second grades gave a little Christmas play this morning in the School Hall. There were selections of music also.

Baptist Church Xmas Service

Tomorrow night the children will be given a Christmas party in the church, at seven-thirty. Santa Claus has promised to be there and will have a beautiful tree and gifts for the children.

Ebenezer Church

Tomorrow evening at 7:45 o'clock the children of the Sunday School will present a cantata "The Tree Triumphant," under the direction of Mr. O. B. Brand. There will be individual solos, followed by a tree and gifts for the children.

St. John's Evangelical

Christmas celebration December 24th, at 7:30 p. m. Christmas service on Saturday, at 10:00 o'clock. Sunday service at 10:30 and Sunday School at 9:30. Christmas tree, singing and speaking. Address by Rev. Suhr. Everybody invited.

United Evangelical Church

The Sunday School will hold their Christmas entertainment on Friday evening, December 24th at 7:30. The church will be simply decorated and the program will be given by the scholars of the school.

A sunrise prayer meeting will be held on Christmas morning at 6:30.

Evangelical Lutheran Church

Tomorrow evening at seven o'clock the children of the Sunday School will have charge of the Christmas service. There will be songs, recitations, a tree and gifts for all. On Christmas Day services will be held at 10:30 a. m. in German and at 8:00 p. m. in English. Regular Sunday services will be held on Sunday.

North End M. E. Church

The Christmas program for the Sunday School children and children of the district will be held tomorrow evening (Christmas eve) at eight o'clock at the church. There will be a tree, songs, recitations, and gifts for the tiny folk. On Christmas morning a special Christmas service will be held in the church at nine-forty-five, with special services and an appropriate sermon. The regular service will be held on Sunday morning.

Trinity Church Xmas Service

The Christmas services in the Trinity church are to be as follows: The Children's Sunday School Carol services will be held in the church at four-thirty o'clock, on Friday afternoon (tomorrow). This service will be followed by a tree in the parish house to which all children will be invited; at this time they will receive simple gifts and bring gifts for the poor in Chicago. On Christmas morning there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 7:30 o'clock. At ten o'clock there will be a second celebration of the Holy Communion with music and a brief address. The children of the Sunday School will give their Christmas play on Sunday afternoon at four o'clock. It is to be a mystery play and will be given in the Parish House. Usual Sunday services will take place on Sunday.

Presbyterian Church

A Christmas party was held Tuesday afternoon in the parlors of the church, for the Cradle Roll children, Beginners and Primary Department. The service last evening held in the chapel of the church was on the subject of "The Advent of Our Lord." It was a Christmas service. The annual Christmas entertainment of the Bible School will be held in the parlors of the church this evening at 7:30 o'clock, to which all members of the school and their parents are cor-

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

NOT MUCH BUSINESS ON THE BUDGET

Matter of Better Protection, at the Lincoln Avenue Railroad Crossings Taken up by Civic Improvement Association

(By Publicity Commission)

Last Friday's council meeting was a short one, the mayor and four commissioners all present. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Commissioner of Finance Hitchcock offered a resolution for payment of pay rolls and sundry bills. Resolution carried. There being no complaints or communications of any kind, the Civic Improvement Association reported through Corporation Counsel Holmes that officials of both the Chicago & Milwaukee Electric and the Chicago & Northwestern had been interviewed concerning the Lincoln Avenue crossing; a gate, as suggested, did not meet with their approval, a bell being proposed in stead. As there is to be another interview, the matter will be reported later.

It is well to remember that forty school children make this crossing four times a day and we must insist upon better protection at this point. There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

GRANT GREENE DIES SUDDENLY

Was in Chicago on Business Trip From the Isle of Pines

Mr. Grant P. Greene, for twelve years a resident of Highland Park, died suddenly Friday evening of pneumonia, at the Brevort Hotel, Chicago, after an illness of two days. Mr. Greene, whose age was fifty-one years, will be remembered as the proprietor of the Greene's News Stand in this city for a number of years. He was born in Rome, New York, October 28th, 1864, and during his stay in Highland Park he made many friends. In August, 1914, he went to Santa Fe, Isle of Pines, where he made his home up to the present time; coming up to Chicago on business last week. Mr. Greene leaves to survive him, a sister, Mrs. Katie L. Palmer of E. Park Avenue, and a wife, Mrs. Grant Greene who is on her way from the Isle of Pines. Arrangements can not be made for the funeral until Mrs. Greene arrives, which will probably be today. Next week's issue of the Press will contain details of the funeral.

PFANSTIEHL TO TOUR UNITED STATES

Has Been Appointed Member of Commission by the Dutch Government

Rev. Albert A. Pfanstiehl, who has been preaching to the interned soldiers in the Netherlands for more than a year, has been appointed a member of a commission from Holland to the United States by the Dutch government and will tour this country from New York to San Francisco speaking at gatherings in the leading cities on international relations. Dr. Pfanstiehl, who is a Hope college graduate, and a former Highland Park resident, has reached this country and has been holding conferences with the United States department of commerce in Washington. He expects to be on the road continually for about three months, speaking at many of the largest eastern and middle west cities.

dially invited. As is the custom gifts for the poor in the city will be sent on this occasion. All useful toys and clothing and other gifts will be received by Santa Claus this evening at the church. The Westminster Guild will hold an entertainment on Christmas morning for the members of the Presbyterian Home at the Home, at which time there will be a tree and other forms of entertainment. On Sunday morning there will be a special Christmas service, in the Bible School at 9:30, and in the church at 11:00. Special music and an appropriate sermon will be included in the service. The subject of the morning will be: "The Wonderful Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." Isaiah, 9:6.

\$10,000 SUBSCRIBED FOR NEW HOSPITAL

MASS MEETING HELD AT HIGH SCHOOL

Hospital Plans of the Executive Committee, for the Consideration of the Public Read by Mayor Hastings

(By Publicity Commission)

The weather man was certainly unkind to the Highland Park Hospital Commission on Thursday evening last, it was a bad night to get anywhere, and the high school is not the easiest place to reach. Walking was almost impossible, and driving was nearly as bad, therefore we consider the audience that greeted the mayor when he opened the meeting, was a good one. The fact that there were no accidents (at least we heard of none) going to and from the meetings, shows that Highland Park citizens are sure-footed and cautious at least. Besides Mayor Hastings the only other scheduled speaker present was Dr. Henry Blair Favill of Chicago, whose interest in the question of the Highland Park hospital was naturally very much appreciated; his colleague, Dr. Arthur Dean Devan, was unavoidably absent. A telephone message expressed his regret, having a bad cold, he did not dare venture as far as Highland Park on such a night. Quite a revelation to find there are physicians who take care of themselves when care is necessary. Mayor Hastings before introducing the speaker of the evening read his address as follows:

Highland Park and Its Hospital

"The other day I met a lady who had come from a hospital only a few days before. 'You are looking unusually well,' I remarked. 'Well, I ought to,' she replied. 'I have had \$1,000 worth of improvements.'"

"We healthy and husky citizens of Highland Park, having grown strong on the ozone of Lake Michigan, perfumed by the luxurious trees and flowers, are prone to believe that each citizen of Highland Park is just as healthy as the other."

"The general health of Highland Park is good—far above the average. There are times, however, when some of our citizens are unfortunate. Sickness comes, accidents occur, and then we realize the necessity of being able to quickly reach a place where relief can at once be given. If we had our way, we should build the most perfect and complete hospital that the size of our city warrants, and then we should be gratified beyond measure were it not necessary for a single individual to enter it."

"The injured must have immediate attention. The sick need a comfortable place where they may have proper care. It is the duty of all of us who have grown hale, hearty and gray to aid those who need this service."

"Highland Park needs a hospital. There is no reason why our citizens should be taken out of the clear, pure air of Highland Park to the smoky atmosphere of Chicago. The growth of our city in recent years makes it imperative that we have a suitable place for the treatment of our sick and injured. It is a long distance between Highland Park and Lake Forest, or Evanston, or Chicago, when the urgent need comes for immediate attention."

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NEW BUSINESS FOR HIGHLAND PARK

Charles E. Harbaugh Opens General Office. Frank Shaver to Open Automobile Supply Station

Rooms 1 and 2 of the Sheridan Building, corner of Central Avenue and Sheridan Road, have been let to Mr. Charles E. Harbaugh, as a general office for his five lumber yards throughout the state. Mr. Harbaugh, who is a resident in Highland Park, moved his office furniture in this week and is now ready for business.

Frank Gray Shaver, will open an electric car supply station at 15 S. St. Johns Avenue, the first of January, 1916, a lease of five years having been made. The station will be carried on under the supervision of Mr. Schroeder, who has had eighteen years' experience with Splittorff Electrical Co., a New York concern, with branches in Chicago. The station will carry supplies for both electric and gasoline cars, and will be able to furnish expert cars for all cars.

YOUNG MEN'S CLUB SHOW PROVES SUCCESS

AN ENTHUSIASTIC AUDIENCE ATTEND

Club Wishes to Express its Appreciation for Loyal Patronage of the Public. It was a Splendid Entertainment

The Young Men's Club vaudeville show presented at the Highland Park Theatre last Monday evening proved to be a pleasing one in every respect. In fact every show ever staged by the club never failed to stimulate an incentive impression upon the audience, but taking into consideration the fact that each act as given by the members last Monday evening was devised and staged to perfection without the assistance of a coach, is sufficient evidence that we have among us a few "professional stars." Every act sparkled with that humorous and animated spirit which made one think he was listening to a professional stunt at McVickers or the Majestic, instead of a show in our own home town.

The program consisted of moving pictures and five vaudeville stunts. After two reels of pictures Edw. Gourley who always selects first place on the big bill, made his appearance in "Another Monologue." This act was originated by "Ed" himself, and impersonating an artist was just the thing for "Ed," as we know he certainly likes to draw. Following this act, John and Fred Gallagher and Frank Walker appeared in a novelty coon scene called "Way Down South." The three boys made typical coons and the part of getting ready for Edgar Brown's ball with the final song was admirably done. Mr. Robt. Daily assisted the boys in preparing this act. The third number consisted of various songs and dances by the Payne children, who were specially engaged by the club to "fill in." The fourth number, "See America First," scored a laugh-ter from start to finish. The role of a Dutchman by Harry Eichler, who with his witty remarks kept the audience in a spell of laughter, and the part of a dignified gentleman by Wm. Fitzgerald need little criticism. To conclude the program, the club was fortunate enough to add an extra act than what was first intended. Mr. "Jerry" Sullivan, who has traveled the vaudeville circuit, rendered several piano selections with a comical song or two between that was heartily applauded.

The club, however, wishes to express its appreciation for the loyal patronage of the public, and wishes to entertain them again in the near future.

CHILDRENS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Given by Highland Park Woman's Club Tuesday afternoon at Trinity Parish House

On Tuesday afternoon, December 22nd, at two-thirty, the Highland Park Woman's Club will hold its annual Children's Christmas Party at Trinity Parish House. All members are invited to come and bring children with them. There will be dancing, games and refreshments for the little folk.

SWIMMING TANK WATER SAFE

Analysis Made by W. Lee Lewis of the Northwestern University

The following letter and analysis from W. Lee Lewis, chemist and bacteriologist, of the Northwestern University, shows the water in the swimming tank at the High School to be absolutely safe and shows how well the filtration keeps the water even though the tank had not been refilled for two months:

Mr. R. L. Sandwick, Highland Park, Illinois.
Dear Sir:—
The enclosed analyses show the water to be safe and wholesome at this time for swimming purposes. Total counts are relatively low in both samples and the presumptive tests for colon bacilli show an absence of gas producers and low counts incubated at body temperatures.
Very truly yours,
W. LEE LEWIS,
Chemist and Bacteriologist.
After Use and Before Filtering
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BUSINESS MEN AWARD LIGHTING CONTRACT

ASSOCIATION DESERVES MUCH CREDIT

System to be Completed by May First To Consist of Fifty Granite Finish Concrete Posts 11 Feet High

The contract for Highland Park's ornamental street lighting system has been let. By May first our business streets will be embellished with one of the finest lighting systems in the country, which will consist of fifty "Star Posts" made by the Chicago Concrete Post Co.

These posts are eleven feet in height with natural rough-cut granite finish and will be mounted on frost-proof concrete foundations. Each post will be equipped with a 250 candle power nitrogen lamp and enclosed in the General Electric Company's noxulux ornamental unit. The entire system will be fed through an underground cable and operated from the Public Service Co. plant. All lamps will be left burning from dark until 10:30 p. m. and all corner lamps from dark until 1:30 a. m.

The lighting committee of the Highland Park Business Men's Association, who have been working hard for several months to perfect this system, met at the Press office Saturday afternoon, and although still short a few hundred dollars, awarded the contract to Freeman-Sweet Co., of Chicago. The cable has already been ordered and the posts are being made and as soon as the weather permits excavating will be started. The lights will be burning by May first and the Highland Park Business Men's Association will have accomplished one of their greatest undertakings since its organization, which is without question, one of progress.

I. O. O. F. TO HAVE HOME COMING NIGHT

To be Held at Masonic Hall Tuesday Evening, January Eleventh

Sheridan Lodge No. 662, I. O. O. F., are planning to have a "Home Coming Night" on Tuesday evening, January 11th, and all members are requested to be present and with this request goes a promise of a good time. The entertainment feature of the evening will be in the form of an old-fashioned "smoker." There will be pipes and tobacco for those who smoke and fruit for those who do not, good speakers will be present and the lodge quartette has promised some good music. The "Royal Chef," S. L. Cain, also made a promise, and that is, that no one will go home hungry.

MODERN WOODMEN SHOWS BIG GAIN

Bulletin From Head Council Shows New Members for 1915 to be 75,000

That the Modern Woodmen of America have made some wonderful strides during the past year is shown in a bulletin just issued by the head council. Their gain in membership for the year 1915 is over 75,000. This is the greatest record since 1911 and has been exceeded only by twelve previous yearly records in the past thirty-three years. The recently elected officers of the local camp are as follows: Harold Steele, consul; A. Carlson, advisor; W. F. Edwards, banker; William Danner, clerk; Wm. Ludwig, secretary; John Rogan, sentinel; Gus Leffert, watchman, and John Freberg, manager.

ATTRACTIONS AT LOCAL THEATRE

Matinee Sunday at 2:30. Laura Hope Crews in "Blackbirds"

The local theatre attractions for this week and next are, "The Idler," a C. Haddon Chambers masterpiece, with Charles Richman and Catherine Countess, and Eddie Lyons and Les Moran in "Wanted, a Leading Lady." There will be a matinee at 2:30, for Sunday. Tuesday "The Builder of Bridges"; Wednesday Laura Hope Crews appears in "Blackbirds." Thursday, the 30th, will bring forth "The Campbells are Coming," with Francis Ford and Grace Cunard. On Friday the 31st will be shown, "The Celebrated Scandal," in which William Fox presents Betty Nansen; Saturday the 1st, the attraction will be "The Chorus Lady," an interesting story of stage life.