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HIGHLAND PARK VISITED BY BURGLARS MONDAY NIGHT

SEVEN HOMES ENTERED DURING THEIR ESCAPE

Andrew Peterson of West Vine Avenue Was the Heaviest Loser. Fifty-five Dollars in Cash and a Gold Watch Was Taken From Him. Other Loses Were Slight.

Last Monday night Highland Park was the scene of some severe robberies, most of which took place in the Kilmour subdivision. It was just so many cases of sneak thieves, apparently, as the robbers are reported to have walked right into open or unlocked doors. It would seem as if the people of Highland Park were still laboring under the delusion that this is a simple little village where they can go to bed and leave all the doors unlocked.

The home of Andrew Peterson on West Vine Avenue was entered boldly by means of the front door which had been left unlocked. Trousers belonging to Mr. Peterson were taken up carefully by the thieves, relieved of all their valuable contents, and left, pockets inside out, in front of the home of John and Paul Udell. Sundry small electrical tools, pocket knife, and pocket-book were scattered on the ground, while a check for twenty-five dollars still lingered near the scene of plunder and gave Mr. Udell his clue for identifying the owner. A gold watch which had been presented to Mr. Peterson by the Modern Woodmen, and which bore his name on the case, was taken, together with fifty-five dollars in cash.

The same men, it is to be supposed, entered the home of J. C. Borchardt, and took his trousers. He was not so fortunate in recovering his garments, and what their fate might be will remain a mystery. No one in the Borchardt family woke up so that nothing is known whatever in that case beyond the loss of the trousers.

The home of Mrs. Mary Kelly on Homewood Avenue was entered between twelve and one o'clock by way of the back door. Took twelve dollars there.

The J. C. Rhinehart home on Homewood Avenue was entered at 2 a. m. by way of the front door which was standing open. The thieves took about eighteen dollars out of Mr. Rhinehart's pockets and threw his trousers outside where he found them in the morning. In some cases, as will be seen, they seemed to have a glimmer of heart, appreciate the value of a pair of trousers, and leave them lying around so the owner could recover them. At all events trousers were at a minimum during this midnight orgy of footpadding, and these articles of apparel are just about entitled to a headline in the bill of particulars.

The robbers next entered the home of Mr. Herbert Smith of West Park Avenue. A man came into the house about 2:30, looked through a music cabinet, found an old pocket-book with nothing in it which he took, then proceeded upstairs to the room occupied by Mrs. Smith and the children. Hearing a cough at the door of this room he passed on to the room occupied by Mr. Smith, took his suit which was very near his bed, and hurried down stairs. At this juncture Mrs. Smith called to her husband but it was too late to do anything. The burglar ran out of the front door and escaped. The police were immediately called but the thieves escaped leaving not a trace of their identity behind them. The suit of Mr. Smith was found on S. Green Bay road by H. O. Huber.

The home of Adam Ohlwein was probably the last one on the list to be entered. He lost nothing worth speaking of, and has no more enlightenment than any of the others whose homes were entered. The home of E. K. Holmsted in the same neighborhood was also entered and about forty cents taken from his trousers pocket.

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Proclamation

To the Honorable, the Members of the Council of the City of Highland Park, and the Citizens of Said City:

Whereas, the evening of Saturday, August 23rd, has been set apart to welcome home the men of our community who so faithfully and loyally have given themselves and their services to our country, and to pay tribute to the seven who went out to serve and whom we are not now privileged to welcome back;

Now, therefore, I, Samuel M. Hastings, as Mayor of the City of Highland Park, do hereby make proclamation and call upon all the citizens of Highland Park to set aside social and business engagements and duties and to meet as a community at 8:00 o'clock on the evening of Saturday, August 23rd, at the City Hall, where we may render proper tribute to the men who have brought honor upon our community and our country, to celebrate their return and to welcome them home.

DUNCAN-CLARK AT THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

To Occupy Pulpit Next Sunday Morning at the Regular Services at Eleven A. M.

Friends of S. J. Duncan-Clark will be glad to hear that he will occupy the pulpit of the Presbyterian church Sunday morning at the regular services. He is one of the four men who have been engaged to fill the pulpit during the four weeks' absence of Mr. Pitt.

Mr. Duncan-Clark is known to the people of this community as an editorial writer and war analyst for the Chicago Evening Post, and few there are who know that for many years he was a minister and the pastor of a church in Louisville, Ky. It was in this city that he first entered upon his career as a newspaper man.

Throughout the course of the war Mr. Duncan-Clark rendered devoted service to this country by his speeches in every club, village, and community. Whenever the call came, he responded, working early and late. His speeches were characterized by one hundred per cent patriotism, and those whose privilege it was to hear him in those anxious days which have passed, will not soon forget his message. To few has it been given to arouse the hearts of men so profoundly to their sense of duty, let that duty be what it will: to God, to country, to humanity.

Mr. Pfanstiehl, who is well-known to the people of Highland Park, will deliver the morning sermon on the second Sunday of Mr. Pitt's absence. The other speakers will be announced in a later issue of the Press.

CHILDREN, PLAYING WITH MATCHES, SET FIRE

Yesterday afternoon the Fire Department was called to the home of O. E. B. Swan on Michigan Avenue, Highland Park, where it was reported, there was a fire.

By the time the firemen had arrived, however, the fire had been extinguished.

The children had been playing with matches, made a bon-fire, and set fire to the back porch. No great damage was done.

LABOR DAY PICNIC TO BE HELD AT ELECTRIC PARK

The Lake County Association I. O. O. F. will hold their annual picnic at Electric Park, Waukegan, on Labor Day, Sept. 2nd. A special Games Committee has been selected and there will be a ball game the first thing in the afternoon. A general good time is promised to all, and everyone is cordially invited to attend.

MERCHANTS TO CLOSE SATURDAY EVENING

On account of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Welcome Home celebration Saturday evening, all the local merchants will close their stores at 7:00 p. m. This closing order applies to Saturday, August 23, only.

COUNTY WILL PAY ON HALF OF VALUATION

Board of Review Makes Decision After Attending Meeting in Chicago

Lake County taxpayers will pay their 1919 bills on an assessed valuation of one-half a full valuation of their property instead of a one-third assessed valuation as they have in the past. This was decided a definitely at a meeting in Chicago Friday afternoon attended by the members of the Lake County Board of Review together with members of the boards of review from nearly all counties in the state. A vote was taken and it was found that the majority favored taking the radical step.

By taking the step, however, the boards are merely obeying the new state law, effective July 1.

The new plan is explained as follows: "The legislature in raising the assessed valuation from one-third to one-half, also has provided that the tax-levying bodies shall lower the rates one-third. Thus the amount of taxes paid will be no higher than now."

One member of the Lake County Board explained that the benefit of the change lies in the fact that the county and the various political subdivisions will have greater latitude in issuing bonds as the constitutional limitations of bonds to be issued is based on the assessed valuation.

MADELINE TRAVERSE IN "THE DANGER ZONE"

Also Century Comedy Sunday, Friday, Alice Joyce in "The Song of the Soul"

Bartlett Theatre, Highwood, presents four acts of Vaudeville every Thursday evening. The following is the program to be shown next week: Sunday, Madeline Traverse in "The Danger Zone," also two reel Century comedy; Tuesday, Ruth Rowland in "The Tiger's Trail," Pathe news, cartoon and Harold Lloyd comedy; Wednesday, Edward Earl in "Wednesdays," and a Big V comedy; Thursday Vaudeville every Thursday, two shows at 7 and 9 p. m. Friday, Alice Joyce in "The Song of the Soul," also Big V comedy; Saturday, Marie Walcamp in "The Red Glove," Hearst News and two reel Universal comedy.

PARK BOARD IMPROVES RAVINE DRIVE HILL

Dangerous Curve Straightened Out at Scene of Last Winter's Fatal Accident

The Park Board has just completed the changes on the Ravine Drive Hill by straightening out the dangerous curve at the foot of the hill. There was a fatal accident to a coasting party at this point and it is hoped that the changes with the addition of barricades will prevent accidents of this kind. This is the only dangerous hill in the city and is very popular. There will be some electric lights added before next winter.

PREPARATIONS PROGRESSING FOR "WELCOME-HOME" CELEBRATION

BAND CONCERT BETWEEN SEVEN-THIRTY AND EIGHT

Central Avenue Between First Street and Green Bay Road to be Brilliantly Lighted for Big Occasion Saturday Evening, Dancing in the Street to be a Big Feature.

Preparations on a large scale are now under way for the embellishment of the two blocks on West Central which have been set aside as the chosen place for welcoming the Highland Park men home from service. The streets have been wired for the electrical display, and the entire space will be as light as day. A grand stand is now in process of construction opposite the city hall, and the people going to and fro look on with curiosity, interest and deep sympathy at the preparations which are going forward.

It is expected that several thousand people will be present on this occasion to welcome the boys home and do them honor. The stores will close promptly next Saturday evening at seven thirty, thus giving every one a chance to take part in the festivities of the evening, hear the speeches, and help welcome the fighting men back to their home town.

Mayor Hastings will deliver the opening address of welcome. Capt. Joseph B. Card and Ensign Harry Eichler will respond on behalf of the soldiers and sailors. Mr. Fred D. Silber will also have a word to say in greeting. The Rev. Pfanstiehl, well known for many years in Highland Park will also be a speaker on this momentous occasion. It has been his privilege to know many of these boys since the days of their babyhood, and it is very fitting that he should speak a word of welcome.

Carl Booth will lead in the community singing and prove what the home folks have accomplished under his leadership during war time. Then they will sing their songs together, both those who sang "over here" and

"over there." It will be a night for singing.

A large committee of representative citizens are working day and night on preparations for this great occasion, and it promises to be a record day in the history of Highland Park. Following is the program which has been promised for the Welcome Home night:

- Program**
- Band Concert 7:30 to 8:00 p. m.
 - 1. Song America
 - 2. "Welcome Home" Address Mayor Samuel M. Hastings
 - 3. Songs—
 - Tipperary
 - There's A Long, Long Trail
 - Pack Up Your Troubles In Your Old Kit Bag
 - Keep the Home Fires Burning
 - 4. Soldiers Response Capt. Joseph B. Card
 - 5. Sailors Response Ensign Harry E. Eichler
 - 6. Songs—
 - Oh! Frenchy
 - Till We Meet Again
 - Oh! How I Hate to Get Up in the Morning
 - Good Morning Mr. Zip-Zip-Zip
 - 7. Address Fred D. Silber
 - 8. Songs—
 - Battle Hymn of the Republic
 - Old Folks at Home
 - When Johnnie Comes Marching Home
 - Illinois
 - 9. Address A. A. Pfanstiehl, D.D.
 - 10. Song Star Spangled Banner
- Public Dancing 9:00 to 11:30 p. m. Two orchestras of twenty musicians each, furnished by Frank B. Spamer, will play alternately at the two dancing platforms.

MARION DAVIES IN "THE DARK STAR" SUN.

Wednesday, "The Way of a Woman," Also Pathe News and Christie Comedy

Pearl Theatre will present the following program next week:

Sunday, Marion Davies in "The Dark Star, Famous Players Pictograph and Fox comedy, Monday, Florence Reed in "A Woman Under Oath," Lloyd comedy and Screen Magazine, Tuesday, William S. Hart in "Wagon Tracks," Anne Luther and Chas. Hutchinson in "The Great Gamble," every Tuesday, 1st episode. Also Bee Hive cartoon, Wednesday, Norma Talmadge in "The Way of a Woman," Pathe news and Christie comedy; Thursday, Sessue Hayakawa in "The Man Beneath," Pathe news and Tom Mix comedy; Friday, Enid Bennett in "The Virtuous Thief," The Pathe Review, Something new and most interesting. Also Muti and Jeff, Saturday, Charles Ray in "Bill Henry," Burton Holmes Travelogue, Mack Sennitt comedy. Matinee at 2:30.

ELECTRICAL STORM DOES SLIGHT DAMAGE

A. W. Fletcher Building, Occupied by the Army and Navy Center, Slightly Damaged

During the electrical storm last Monday evening at about 5 o'clock, the Army and Navy Center building, on East Central Avenue, owned by Mr. A. W. Fletcher was struck by lightning.

The flag pole which stands in the center of the building, was completely shattered, knocking several of the bricks from the building into the street. An automobile, owned by Mr. Tomas, which was standing directly in front of the building, was hit by the falling bricks and the top slightly damaged. Luckily, no one was injured.

The building was damaged to the extent of about \$100.

CONTRACT AWARDED FOR NEW HIGHWAY

Work on First Section of New Chicago-Milwaukee Road to Start Immediately

With the awarding of a half million dollar contract for the construction of several roads in Lake County, it was learned that eight miles of the road between Deerfield and Everett will be constructed of standard asphalt. This is the first time the state highway department has accepted any other type of road besides concrete and cement. Lake County owners of motor cars will be vitally interested in this new road development.

The first section of the new Chicago-Milwaukee highway, which is to be constructed by the state of Illinois with federal aid, is to be built immediately.

The contract for the road, which will extend from four miles west of Winnetka to Waukegan, passing through Shermerville, Deerfield, and Everett, thence west to Lake Forest, Lake Bluff and the Great Lakes Naval Station to North Chicago and Waukegan was awarded to the R. F. Conway Company.

The contract price was \$575,000.

RAIN HALTS GAME WITH NORTH CHICAGO

Shortly after the arrival of North Chicago's hopefuls at Central Park last Sunday old Father Neptune appeared on the scene and turned on the sprinkler.

He refused to turn it off until the diamond was thoroughly soaked. It was a keen disappointment to those loyal fans who, despite the threatening weather, came out with the expectation of witnessing an interesting game as North Chicago came highly reputed and determined to give the locals a battle for the honor. The locals were equally desirous of winning and if St. Swithin hadn't gummed up the proceedings this would have been a much more interesting story.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT AT MORRINE HOTEL

A tennis tournament will commence on the courts of the Morraine Hotel on Saturday next and continue during the following week. Information may be had at the hotel office as to entries, etc.

The affair will be under the management of Mr. Whitfield Pressinger, Jr.