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THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

It would be interesting to know just how many people of Highland Park are fully informed on the very important question of fire protection. The past history of this town shows no very cheerful record in this respect, and with the result that the average person to-day is not very optimistic on the matter of fire protection.

But all this is changed, and Highland Park's present system of fire protection is second to none. There are eleven men in the department to-day who have volunteered to attend every fire, day or night. These men live, for the most part, near the fire station. A large gong connects their residence with the station, and they are subject to calls both day and night. In case they are at their place of business in the day-time, there is always some one at home to give them the call by telephone.

Aside from the eleven volunteer men, there is a night driver and a day driver of the fire truck, these men being in charge of the station by day and night respectively. The addition of the new Ford-Hove truck will facilitate the efficiency of the fire department to a marked degree. The city now has two trucks, both of which can be rushed to a fire at different periods of time. Before the purchase of the second truck the firemen who were first to report at the station were compelled to wait for the members of the department who lived farther away, but now they can go to the fire in two installments. The new truck is also equipped with a pump which enables the firemen to raise the water pressure from forty or fifty pounds to one hundred or one hundred and twenty-five pounds.

Too much can not be said of the excellent work of this volunteer fire department. These eleven men are paid the small monthly wage of five dollars with an additional bonus of one dollar a fire. It can readily be seen that they are working for the public good, and not for any monetary consideration. Their hearts are in the undertaking which has been entrusted to their care, and they have discharged their responsibilities with credit. During August and September the fires, owing to the forest and Skokie fires, numbered about twenty each month. That means these men were called from their business and from their homes in the middle of the night. It means that they handled hundreds of feet of fire hose, endangering their garments from fire, water and chemicals. It means that they took valuable time from their business in the middle of the day. Aside from their duties at fires they have practice drills every Thursday night. They turn in the alarm, choose an objective, connect up the fire hose, run up the ladders on public buildings like the high school, for instance, and proceed with all the despatch which they would observe in case of actual fire. In this way they are able to discover the working condition of every hydrant so that, when fire does occur, their efficiency will not be retarded by leaks or other faulty conditions.

Commissioner Huber exercises jurisdiction over the fire department of the city, but the organization is under the direct management of Fire Chief Hoskins, the local manager of the North Shore Gas company, and it is his organization ability which the people of Highland Park have to thank for their present fire protection. But the actual work, we must not forget, is performed by the eleven men of the department. Their devoted service in rigorous weather, at all times of day or night, is a thing that can hardly be spoken of in measured terms of praise.

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Very acceptable Gifts

Albert Larson, Stationer

LOCAL AND PERSONAL NEWS

Mrs. Roland Bleimel was hostess to the Rebekah Guild yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Charles Freberg is entertaining the Euchre club this afternoon.

While playing football on the Elm Place team in the game against Glen-coe, Leslie Allen broke his collar-bone.

Campbell Chapter, O. E. S., will hold a special meeting Saturday, December 6, at 4:30 and 7:30 with refreshments at 6 o'clock. All members are invited to attend.

Coale & Son have sold the Carl Horenberger house on West Central avenue to Agnes Timm of Chicago.

Arthur Mogg arrived here last Thursday morning from England, for a visit with his sister, Mrs. Frank Dennett, 34 North Sheridan road. He expects to make his home here. Mr. Mogg served in the British army for four years during the war.

Miss Lois Green, North Linden avenue, is at home from Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa. On account of the coal shortage, colleges and universities in Iowa have shut down until after the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Pratt spent the Thanksgiving week end in Oak Park where they visited their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Martin.

Mrs. Anna Olson, West Central avenue, is in the Highland Park hospital suffering from a severe attack of illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelsa Coale and daughters have returned from a weeks visit with friends in Eau Claire, Wis.

Mr. Frank Laing returned Sunday to Toledo, O., after spending a few days with his family.

Miss Margaret Quinn of Kenosha, Wis., spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. A. C. Allen.

Miss Katherine Conn, instructor of physical education at Lake Forest College, was the week end guest of Rev. and Mrs. Frank Pitt.

Mrs. George Hesler returned to her home last Friday from Cleveland, O., where she spent the past six weeks visiting her mother.

Miss Esther Hicks, who is teaching in the Champaign high school, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hicks of Glenview avenue.

Roland Mains, of Riverside, formerly of this city, spent the week end with the Laing family.

Mrs. William Guyot spent the week end in Chicago visiting her sister, Mrs. C. H. Doyle.

Mrs. O. L. Oleson had as her week end guest Mrs. Ensworth of McFarland, Wis.

Mrs. A. O. Dady leaves the latter part of this week for New York where he will spend two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Magnusson of Evanston were the Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Fischer.

Mr. and Mrs. James Everett Allan of San Francisco, Cal., are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, born Sunday, Nov. 30. Mrs. Allan was formerly Miss Helen Coale.

Mrs. H. T. Cook of New York is visiting her sister, Mrs. Nathan Corwith.

Mrs. Abbie B. Bastin spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Ann Arbor, Mich., visiting her daughter, Mrs. Wilbur Broderington, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Jones are in Redlands, Cal. They expect to tour the state and will be gone until May. During their absence Mr. and Mrs. William Parrish of New York City will occupy their residence.

Miss Aileen Russell of Arlington Heights spent the week end visiting friends in Highland Park.

The Misses Ethel and Helen Hill spent the week end in Joliet visiting friends.

Dr. Burgess of Wilmette is moving into the J. L. Martin residence on Linden avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Prior have left for Jacksonville, Fla., where they will spend the Christmas holidays as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Prior.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. McPherson, with their children, left the middle of November for Riverside, Cal., where they have taken a furnished home for the winter. Mr. McPherson will return to Highland Park after the holidays.

W. C. Stubbs, Jr., a student at the University of Illinois, Champaign, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with his mother, Mrs. William C. Stubbs, Hazel avenue.

Mrs. Otto Petz, 139 McGovern St., who has been suffering from a sprained ankle is now able to walk again.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. McPherson of Detroit, spent Thanksgiving in Highland Park with Mr. McPherson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. McPherson.

Mrs. E. Reiche has accepted a position as saleslady in the Larson book store.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Larson and small child leave Saturday for Pasadena, Cal., where they will spend the winter.

Mr. L. M. Williams leaves tomorrow for Pasadena, Cal., where he will rejoin his wife and spend the winter months.

Mrs. Richmond Dean, who spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Washington, D. C., visiting her sons who are attending school there, has returned to her home.

The Parent-Teacher association of Oak Terrace school will give a dance Friday evening, Dec. 12, at the Oak Terrace school. The public is cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Mann are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, born Wednesday, Nov. 6.

Night School Closes

Last evening, the high school board, as a matter of public policy, decided to cease all evening activities, including night school, dances, entertainments, etc., until the coal crisis is past. The only exception to this is the dinner planned for tonight for the returned soldiers and sailors, who were former students at the high school. Provisions are already on hand for this affair and many out of town guests will be present. These facts make it almost impossible to cancel the dinner.

Palace Cash Market & Grocery

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NOTICE

to the Electric and Gas Customers of the Public Service Company of Northern Illinois

The following order has been issued by the Public Utilities Commission of Illinois:

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that said public utilities, until further order of the Commission, shall govern themselves, in furnishing and supplying their service, by the following rules and regulations, and shall enforce the same with their dealings with their customers.

(1) All unnecessary interior and exterior illumination, including signs, display lights, and show windows, shall be entirely stopped.

(2) Suburban and local transportation schedules shall be reduced immediately to the least number of runs that will accommodate necessary travel requirements. As every ten degrees by which the temperature is lowered during zero weather on surface and elevated cars will save between 350 and 400 tons of coal per day, the temperature of cars and stations at all times should be reduced to the lowest possible point consistent with public health and safety.

(3) Work shops, industrial establishments, wholesale businesses, mercantile establishments and storage warehouses (cold storage warehouses and plants excepted) shall receive service not to exceed six and one-half working hours of the day between the hours of 9:00 A. M. and 3:30 P. M. Where the nature of the business requires continuous operation, an equivalent reduction must be accomplished by refusing service at least two working days a week.

(4) Retail establishments of all kinds in the downtown districts shall receive service not to exceed six and one-half hours a day, namely from 11:00 A. M. to 5:30 P. M.; the stores in the outlying districts may receive service from 10:00 A. M. to 6:00 P. M. and on Saturday night until 9:00 o'clock P. M.

(5) Offices, banks, and other places of business—all office buildings included—shall receive service from 9:00 A. M. to 3:30 P. M. only. Every possible economy in light, heat and power, including reduction in elevator service, must be effected within these hours and the heating during closed hours be reduced to the lowest margin of safety. Newspapers shall exercise every economy consistent with the nature of the business and the publication of their papers.

In all buildings of whatever character, including factories and stores referred to above, service lighting shall be reduced to a minimum, elevator service outside of the hours specified for operation shall be reduced to one car, and heat must be cut off except in such degree as will prevent damage by freezing.

(6) Theatres, vaudeville houses, and similar places of amusement—not including motion picture houses—shall be restricted to service for six performances a week, namely, one in the afternoon and five in the evening, and enjoined to exercise at all times the greatest economy in illumination. Inasmuch as motion picture houses consume very little light, they are excepted from regulation as to hours but required to effect all possible economies in the use of light and heat. Use of service by theatres, vaudeville houses, and motion picture houses outside of hours of operation shall be only sufficiently heated to safeguard against freezing.

Drug Stores, meat markets and grocers, bread bakers, hotels and restaurants are not restricted as to hours of operation, but are required to exercise all possible economy of heat, power and light.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that each of said utilities shall make publication of this order, of the substance thereof, in at least three newspapers published in the county in which said utility has its main office or place of business, and each utility is hereby AUTHORIZED TO CUT OFF AND DISCONTINUE ITS SERVICE TO ANY CONSUMER who, after such publication and while this order is in force, shall fail to observe any of the above rules and regulations.

This order is not to be interpreted so as to conflict with any of the orders of the Federal Government. This order shall be effective on and after December 4, 1919.

By order of the Commission at Springfield, Illinois, this third day of December, 1919.

Public Service Company of Northern Illinois