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## LARGE AUDIENCE LISTENS TO SPEECH ON LAW ENFORCEMENT

### MAJ. GEN. WOOD IS HEARD AT DEERFIELD-SHIELDS

#### Gives Opinion On Military Training, Women in Politics, Diplomatic Service, Immigration, Salaries of Teachers, Capital and Labor

Last Saturday night Major General Wood came to Highland Park to make a speech. He came, he saw, he conquered. That is the question. An audience of some five hundred people had gathered to hear this man, heralded as a friend of Roosevelt, his Colonel in the Spanish American war, with T. R. second in command, the man whom Roosevelt later recognized as patriot and natural leader and raised to a position of power, the man who was without during the late war from military service overseas. The dramatic history of the one time Dr. Leonard Wood makes a powerful appeal to the imagination and people flocked to hear him speak.

Major General Wood came late. The audience had been waiting perhaps twenty-five minutes when he stepped on the little stage. He entered with a handicap. A little thing, some might say; not so to a public speaker. Kingdoms have been lost because of a horse-shoe nail; audiences for less. Of course, he did not lose his audience really. They were a friendly and a sympathetic crowd who waited and chatted pleasantly until the speaker came, but he didn't know that. Moreover, the Major General, like all other human beings, coming into a strange place, must have a proper and congenial setting. The little stage on which he made his appearance was so small that it would not admit a chair on which to sit while he was introduced, much less a few additional chairs on which some friendly citizens might have disposed themselves to keep him in countenance in a strange land. In short, the setting was much too small, too trivial for the distinguished guest for whom it was prepared. He should have had a larger field, a goodly stage on which to move and walk and get his bearings. He missed, no doubt, a table which he could touch, a desk, a chair, any of the accessories which constitute the psychological equipment of a successful lecturer. A song might have helped things along,—community singing, perhaps, anything which

might have lessened the mental tension of the situation. However, Major General Wood did not present a very magnificent speech, in which he put himself on record in regard to military training in this country. He said he advocated an army of 250,000 men, sufficient for the police needs of the nation in time of peace, in addition to which he did endorse a short period of military training for the youth of the country, such training as would give them an idea of discipline, a respect for authority, a sense of order, and a high idea of moral cleanliness. When the time came for them to be called into training, they would have the essentials which make for successful national service already ingrained. If the men who were called to the colors had had at least this grounding, many lives would have been saved for further service. "If," said the speaker, "America had been reasonably prepared for war in 1917, there would have been no world war."

The effects of vice in a large army are as detrimental as war itself, and more far-reaching in their results, lasting as they do through two or three generations. As for military training being conducive to war, "it is all bosh," he asserted. The men who know what war means are precisely the men who wish to avoid it. There is no man today so bitterly opposed to war as the soldier.

Sees Danger in Indifference  
"There is not much danger in the 'Red' element," said the speaker, "as in our own indifference. We should have an authoritative source of information in regard to every strike and its cause. Who is the oppressor and who is the oppressed?—that is the question we want to know."

America has all she can do to assimilate the aliens already within her borders. The doors should be closed to pernicious immigration. In his opinion, only the desirable citizen class, such as has already been admitted and enriched the American stock should be admitted, "only those in

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## FIRST MEETING MONDAY OF COMMUNITY CENTER

Report of Recent Drive Shows \$8,000 In Cash and Pledges. New Directors Elected

Last Monday evening the City Hall was the scene of the first meeting of the newly incorporated Community Service of Highland Park. Dr. P. C. Wolcott presided and under the charter a board of thirty directors was nominated and elected, fifteen for a period of one year, and fifteen for a two year term. Those elected for one year are:

Geo. A. Mason.  
Frank Fitt.  
Dr. P. C. Wolcott.  
Mrs. John A. Putnam.  
Mrs. Tom Wyles.  
Mrs. Charles F. Drake.  
Mrs. Frank R. Cain.  
Frank L. Cheney.  
Miss Adele Everett.  
R. C. Jacobsen.  
R. L. Sandwick.  
Stewart Reed Brown.  
Mrs. W. A. Alexander.  
Alexander Rafferty.  
Fred D. Silber.  
Those elected for two years are:  
Harry Eichler.  
Ralph A. Bard.  
Thomas F. Troxel.  
Ed. Warren.  
Mrs. Grundy.  
Mrs. C. N. Kimball.  
Mrs. Harry B. Roberts.  
Mrs. Samuel Slade.  
Harry A. Parkin.  
Mrs. C. H. Thayer.  
Mrs. F. D. Everett.  
Mrs. Campbell.  
Col. Winston.  
Mr. John L. Udell.

A comprehensive set of by-laws were adopted and then Mr. Cheney gave a most encouraging report of the finance committee. About \$8,000 in cash and pledges has been received leaving only two thousand needed to complete the budget for the year.

A vote of thanks was tendered both the finance and publicity committees for their efforts in furthering the work and development of the Community Service.

The new Board of Directors will meet in the city hall next Monday evening, March 8, at eight o'clock to elect permanent officers, appoint committees, and work out details of management.

This Board of Directors is most desirous of rendering the largest service possible to the community. It can only be done thru constructive criticism from those who are interested—whose children and young people frequent the Center rooms, and who have intimate knowledge of the conditions obtaining there.

All must realize this is a new experiment for the nation, not only for our small neighborhood, but it is an earnest effort to meet a need which seems to be an outgrowth of our war period. It is inevitable that mistakes will be made at the beginning. No new thing moves with perfection and none should expect this to be an exception. The Board of Directors and the resident secretary earnestly wish that all suggestions and all complaints be brought to headquarters. Let it be possible to get together in this thing; those both FOR the Community Center and those who believe it is not the thing we need or not running along the best lines come together and exchange ideas and work out the biggest and best program possible for Highland Park.

## WALTER COPE RESIGNS POSITION AT LAUNDRY

After 12 Years at Reliable Laundry He Resigns to Take Office with The Press

Mr. Walter Cope, for twelve years associated with the St. Peter brothers as cashier at the Reliable laundry, has resigned his position there and assumed similar duties with The Highland Park Press.

The Udell brothers, who are now incorporating their Highland Park and Lake Forest plants, found it necessary to secure the services of a first class accountant and bookkeeper.

Mr. Cope, who is serving in this capacity, will also be a member of the new corporation and will occupy a desk at the Highland Park plant.

## WINNETKA MAN BUYS JEPPESEN GROCERY

Charles M. Keil of Winnetka has purchased the H. P. Jeppesen grocery in North St. Johns avenue from Mrs. Jeppesen, and will manage the store in the same efficient manner that has marked it in the past.

The store was started about eleven years ago by Mr. H. P. Jeppesen, who conducted it until his death last year. Mr. Keil has been employed as clerk since last July. The same employees will be retained.

## INCOME TAX MAN TO BE HERE THIS WEEK

On Friday and Saturday of this week an income tax specialist will be in Highland Park to assist people in making out their income tax schedules. He will be prepared to receive payments from those who desire to make them at that time. His headquarters will be at the post office.

## JOSEPH SCHWALBE DIES AFTER YEAR'S ILLNESS

Former Highland Park Resident Passes Away in Denver. Funeral Held on Wednesday

Joseph Schwalbe, manager, and one of the principal owners of the Argonaut hotel, and vice president of the Service Truck company, died at his hotel in Denver, Saturday, February 21, after an illness of nearly a year.

Mr. Schwalbe had been confined to his bed since his return from Wisconsin two months ago, where he had gone upon the advice of his Denver physician, who believed that the change of altitude would restore his health. He underwent two operations shortly after his return to Denver.

Mr. Schwalbe, who was only 25 years of age, was one of the youngest men in the west acting in the capacity of manager of a leading hotel. He had been engaged in the hotel business practically all of his life, starting in as bell boy in a hotel owned by Mrs. B. E. Schwalbe, his mother, in Chicago. He was at one time manager of the Fontanelle in Omaha.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. B. E. Schwalbe, and one brother, Henry.

Funeral services were held last Wednesday at a Catholic church in Oak Park, with interment in Mt. Carmel cemetery. Messrs John and Fred Gallagher and Irving Brand of this city acted as pallbearers.

The Schwalbe family will be remembered here, as they rented the old academy in 1912-13-14, running it as a hotel and boarding house known as Highland hall.

## ANTHONY MATRE TO LECTURE ON ROME

Illustrated Lecture to Benefit St. James' Catholic Church. At Bartlett Theatre Mar. 17

On Wednesday evening, March 17, Anthony Matre, C. S. G., will give an illustrated lecture on Rome in the Bartlett Theatre, Highland, for the benefit of St. James Catholic church. Mr. Matre is a Knight of St. Gregory, the highest honor which the Pope can bestow upon a Catholic layman. He is also secretary of the United Federation of Catholic Charities of the United States. His lecture will not only be interesting, but educational as well, and this opportunity to hear Mr. Matre ought to appeal strongly to the public.

Musical numbers by professionals will also be a feature of the evening.

## PLAN DANCE AND RECEPTION IN APRIL

Highland Park Woman's Club to Give Benefit at High School April Seventeenth

The Highland Park Woman's Club is making plans for a large reception and dance on Saturday evening, April 17th.

Permission has been asked of the high school board to use the boys' gymnasium for this occasion, and while no meeting of that board will be held for a few days it is believed their usual generosity will govern and the date be assured.

Mrs. Francis Norwood Bard is chairman of the music committee and is engaging the musicians who helped to make her holiday party famous. Mrs. Henry Boyd is chairman of decorations. Mrs. John A. Putnam of the ticket committee and Mrs. Clarence Thayer, chairman of hostesses.

## MRS. PERKINS READS AT WOMAN'S CLUB

Mrs. Lucy Fitch Perkins of Evanston, known as the author of children's books: "The Japanese Twins," "The Esquimaux Twins," and twins of many nationalities, and illustrator of her own work, appeared before the Woman's Club last Tuesday afternoon to fill the engagement made by her daughter, Elinor Perkins, who is now studying with Professor Baker at Harvard.

Mrs. Perkins read a play, written by her daughter, and centering around a pair of Japanese twins, boy and girl, in which the struggle for equal recognition with her brother by the little Japanese girl was the dominant note. The atmosphere of the little play, of a rare and delicate beauty, was carefully sustained throughout the piece, portraying the fine courtesy, the respect for age, and the ancestor worship of the Japanese. The delicate quality of Miss Perkins' art suggests nothing so much as the dainty water-colors made famous by the Japanese.

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## SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 107 FACES A DEFICIT OF \$29,000

### BOARD OF EDUCATION ASKS FOR A VOLUNTARY TAX

#### In Order to Provide Adequately for the Next Two Years the Board Should Have at Least \$30,000 in Addition to Its Tax Returns

The following report of the Board of Education for District 107 shows a very serious deficit in school funds and is here presented through the columns of The Press for the benefit of the citizens of the school district:

The Board of Education of District 107, which is responsible for the affairs of Elm Place Grammar School, is confronted with a problem of such serious consequences both in the immediate present and for the future, that it deems it its duty to lay the matter before the people of Highland Park and particularly those citizens of the district who support the school and whose children attend it.

The Board finds itself financially unable to further maintain the Elm Place School on the high plane which has made the reputation of this school an enviable one throughout the state. The abnormal conditions now surrounding us have begun to alter the scope of public as well as private affairs.

Our teachers must have more money. Two increases have been given this school year but these increases have not met the needs. They are now paid from \$1050 to \$1550 a year, and they have asked for \$300 more a year. Our teachers must not feel the pressure of want. In order to give what we expect of them, they must be able to afford wholesome food, a warm, quiet room in which to spend their

evenings, and the decent amenities of life else their morale suffers and their enthusiasm for their work is gone. But not only for this reason must they be adequately paid, but for the obvious reason that if their demands are not satisfied they can, and naturally will, go to other occupations, or to other schools which pay higher wages.

The Board of Education of District 107 cannot but look with grave concern on the possible disruption of its teaching force. The teachers are the first essential of a good school system and fortunate indeed is the school which has been able to draw to itself and keep an able superintendent and a staff of experienced teachers. The Elm Place School is rich in these particulars. But with its teachers requiring more pay, its cost of maintenance almost doubled and the imminent necessity of providing another school building to house the overflow of pupils, it finds its income falling far short of its necessary outlay. Unless the Board can receive substantial assistance from the people in the immediate future (in addition to its tax returns), either the standard of the school will have to be lowered, or a part of its educational program dropped. There is no other way out of the dilemma.

The following figures show the financial situation of the school:

Past Years	Received	Spent	Deficit
From April 1, 1917 to March 31, 1918...	\$44,295.87	\$45,961.81	\$ 1,665.94
From April 1, 1918 to March 31, 1919...	44,465.51	45,759.61	1,294.10
From April 1, 1919 to March 31, 1920...	44,500.00	61,600.00	17,100.00
Approximate			\$20,060.04
Coming Year	Receipts	Expenses	Deficit
From April 1, 1920 to March 31, 1921...	\$71,000.00	\$80,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
		Previous Deficit	\$20,060.00
		By April 1, 1921, total	\$29,000.00

The additional revenue shown in the last statement to be forthcoming for the year beginning April 1, 1920, and ending March 31, 1921, was provided by the new tax law, on a higher assessed value of the district. However, to offset this increased revenue, we are confronted with the present demand of \$7000 for additional teachers' salaries for this year. The same salary additions will apply for the coming year. Further, the enrollment at Elm Place is now 704, and some classes are now so large as to defeat good educational work. This condition means that several more teachers will

be necessary. Consequently an additional \$5,000 must be added to the budget, making a total for the year of about \$80,000. Sooner or later the legislature will have to remedy this situation. But even though it acts without delay it will be two years before the additional funds are available. Meanwhile the Board must maintain the school. Highland Park is not alone in facing this situation. The same problem is being met all over this country. Many communities have adopted what is known as the voluntary tax plan, in order to

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## REV. HENRY S. BROWN TO SPEAK SUNDAY

Superintendent of the Church Extension Board of the Presbytery of Chicago

Next Sunday morning the Rev. Henry Seymour Brown, D.D., will speak at the Presbyterian church. He is the successor to the Rev. Edgar P. Hill, D.D., in the superintendency of the Church Extension board of the Presbytery of Chicago and has carried through the work of the first year of his office with conspicuous success. Dr. Brown will speak on the work of the Church Extension board. He will make no appeal for funds. The Presbyterian church contributes a large fraction of its benevolences to this work each year and Dr. Brown's purpose in coming to us is to report on the work which we support.

The Church Extension board really expresses itself as an agent for Christian Americanization. It helps needy mission churches in strategic fields; it evangelizes foreigners; it assists in the erection of churches in unoccupied districts; it makes community surveys; it carries on community work; it is affiliated with various enterprises such as the Presbyterian Training school and the Daily Vacation Bible schools; and, in addition, it is a clearing house for matters of Presbyterian concern such as the New Era Movement and the Chicago Church Federation.

Among the foreign born in the city of Chicago and its suburbs the Church Extension board is supplying a tremendous need for the message of the spirit. It is helping to lay the foundations of a democracy that will endure. Come next Sunday morning to be informed on this work and hear the man who directs it.

## FREE LECTURE ON CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Next Friday Evening, March Fifth, At Church Edifice on Hazel Avenue

The First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Highland Park announces a lecture on Christian Science by William D. Kilpatrick, C. S., member of the board of lecturership of the Mother Church, the First Church of Christ, Scientist, of Boston, Mass., tomorrow evening (Friday) at eight o'clock in the Church Edifice, 381 Hazel avenue. All are cordially invited to attend the lecture.

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