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NEW YEAR PARTY AT CENTER BIG SUCCESS

MANY ATTENT RECEPTION

Secure Services of Leon H. Rossman as New Athletic and Music Director for Com. Service

Highland Park is fortunate in securing from Community Service, Inc., New York City, the services of Leon H. Rossman as director of community athletics and music. Mr. Rossman is a graduate of Syracuse university where he was prominent in athletic and musical circles. He has been connected with the national organization of Community Service in these special branches for some time.

The community reception at the Center, New Year's day under the supervision of Mrs. J. McGregor Adams, proved a big success. Light refreshments were served the hundreds who visited the Center between the hours of 8 p. m. and 10 p. m. The reception was characterized by a community sing under the leadership of Mr. Rossman in which all present participated in singing popular and old time songs. Mrs. Annette R. Jones was at the piano. The sing was well received by all. Mrs. Adams deserves much credit for the success of the reception.

Throughout the holidays the Center was the scene of many large and small parties. It was one continuous round of events from Christmas eve until New Year's night.

It should be remembered that each evening from January 10 to January 15, inclusive, a play institute will be held at the Center. Every organization and institution in Highland Park is urged to send three or four representatives to the institute to receive instruction in the art of game leadership. People are realizing more and more (Continued on Page 11)

PIONEER RESIDENT PASSED AWAY MONDAY

Mrs. Anna Gutzler Dies Suddenly at B. O. Fritsch Home, Funeral Held Yesterday

Mrs. Salome Gutzler, one of the oldest residents of Lake county, passed away Monday at the home of her son-in-law, Mr. B. O. Fritsch, of North Avenue, as the result of old age.

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the United Evangelical church. Interment was made in Northfield.

She leaves eight grand children and ten great grandchildren to survive her.

Mrs. Gutzler was born June 1, 1835, in Alsace Lorraine, and when four years of age came to this country with her parents who settled in Northfield where she resided until sixteen years ago when she moved to Highland Park and made her home with her daughter, Mrs. B. O. Fritsch. March 25, 1887, she was married to George Gutzler and to this union five children were born, all of whom preceded their mother to the grave. Mr. Gutzler died in 1903. Mrs. Gutzler was well known in this community and her sudden death came as a shock to her many friends.

HERBERT BOWEN FOUND DEAD IN KEWANEE

News reached the Press this morning of the accidental death of Herbert Bowen, twenty-five year old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bowen of Washkish, Minn., formerly of this city, which occurred Tuesday in Kewanee, Ill.

Herbert had been working on a farm in Kewanee owned by his cousin, George Bowen. He was working in the field during the morning Tuesday and being gone longer than usual his cousin started out to look for him and found him lying in the field dead.

Mr. Bowen's death was caused by a shot, believed to have been accidental. Details concerning the accident are lacking.

Funeral services will be held at the home of Mr. Bowen's grandfather in Kewanee as soon as his father, Mr. H. L. Bowen arrives from Minnesota. Further details will appear in next week's issue of the Press.

SUBURBAN MOTORIST MUST BE IDENTIFIED

COME UNDER CHICAGO RULE

Chief Fitzmorris Gives Orders That All Must Carry Identification Cards When In the City

Motorists from Waukegan, North Chicago, Evanston, Lake Forest, Highland Park, Oak Park, Winnetka, and other suburbs, who use city streets will have to carry the identification cards imposed on all Chicago automobile drivers by action of the council last week, Chief Fitzmorris has ruled in Chicago.

Officials of the automobile clubs termed the chief's ruling "outrageous" and declared they would fight it thru the courts.

"Of course automobile owners from the suburbs have to submit to the same regulations that govern Chicagoans when they are on Chicago's streets," Chief Fitzmorris said. "If they don't procure the identification cards, with their descriptions and pictures, as soon as they are available at the police headquarters, I'll order all officers to arrest them on sight."

"Just because they don't happen to live in the city and pay taxes here they will be given no better treatment than the people of Chicago."

"Outrage" Says Branstetter "They are all crazy down at the (Continued on Page 12)

TO ADDRESS WOMAN'S LEAGUE, MONDAY

Mrs. Diefenderfer, President of National Order of Anti-Polygamy, to Address Meeting

The Woman's League of the Presbyterian church has been very fortunate in securing Mrs. Frances J. Diefenderfer, president-at-large of the National Order of Anti-Polygamy Crusaders, to speak at its quarterly meeting next Monday, Jan. 10.

Luncheon will be served at one o'clock in the parish house.

The meeting will follow immediately at which time Mrs. Diefenderfer will speak on the subject "Facts About Mormonism that Every Woman Should Know."

Being a child of New England parents who early moved to the very sections of our country where Mormonism had its rise, has given Mrs. Diefenderfer exceptional opportunity to (Continued on Page 12)

HOCKEY TEAM MEETS EVANSTON, SUNDAY

Highland Park Wanderers to Meet Kenilworth Here Sunday, January 16th

The next game of hockey in the North Shore League series will be played Sunday between Evanston and the Highland Park Wanderers at Evanston.

A very successful practice was held Sunday morning at the Sunset park rink. Some very spirited team play was developed and prospects for a fast combination are bright.

The team will practice Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:45 to 9:45 p. m. and Sunday mornings from 10:45 to 11:45. The next home game will be against Kenilworth, Sunday, Jan. 16.

TWO SMALL BLAZES DURING PAST WEEK

Composition Roof Saves Y. W. C. A. From Bad Fire; Basement Fire at Kromer Home

An explosion of gas is believed to have been the cause of a fire which broke out in the basement of the Kromer house, 626 Onwentsia avenue, last Friday morning. The flooring caught fire, and for some time the firemen had a lively time fighting the flames. Not a great deal of damage was done.

Sunday evening the department was called to extinguish a small fire at the Y. W. C. A. It was merely a chimney blaze, but the firemen declared that the composition roof was all that saved the building from a bad fire.

INTERESTING ADDRESS BY MR. J. M. APPEL

AT BUSINESS MEN'S ASSN.

His Topic: "The Bank — Its Relation to the Community" Very Timely and Appropriate

Mr. Chairman, Members of the Highland Park Business Men's Association, Friends and Fellow-workers:—

Rising to address this body, in response to an unexpected invitation, I am reminded of an incident in the Sunday School, when the elder of the church was scheduled for an address on the Sabbath morning. He began: "Well, my dear boys and girls, what do you want me to talk about this morning?" Promptly a little fellow in the rear jumped up and yelled: "Talk about a minute and then sit down."

For about seven years I have held down a job in a local bank, doing messenger service, sorting checks, etc. Doubtless, that is why I have been pressed into this service, and now, my friends, I shall proceed, with your indulgence, to talk about a minute upon the subject assigned to me—"The Bank, Its Relation to the community."

Early in the 90s, when the armies of unemployed were marching to the national capitol in Southern Illinois. One evening the monotony of the village was broken by the advent of General Fry's army of about 2000 pitching its tents on the outskirts of the town. It was up to us business men to provide rations, which we did so satisfactorily, that the "General", in appreciation of our efforts condescended, after the feast, to deliver a speech from the school-house steps. He paid his respects to the bankers of the country by giving the audience his experience in a dream, which was about as follows:

"Gabriel blew the trumpet, and I responded. First, I found myself at the gate of St. Peter, where I was denied admission and told to take the elevator down. There I was bid welcome. Contrary to prophecies and expectations, these lower regions proved delightful; green grass, flowers, trees, birds, sunshine, and many old friends in evidence. In the course of my unmolessted investigation of the place, I ran against a small stone building equipped with locks, bars, and bolts, reminding me of a vault or safe, in this world. My curiosity prompted me to try the bolts of the doors, and I was making some headway when a guard rushed up to me excitedly, and said: 'My dear man, lay off of that; you are in bad business; you are endangering this entire community. Don't you know, in there is where we keep the bankers (Continued on Page 11)

BUSINESS MEN HOLD ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Local Association Admitted to Illinois Chamber of Commerce at Meeting Monday Evening

At the annual meeting of the Business Men's association held Tuesday evening the following were elected for the ensuing year: Charles F. Grant, president; Harry Paul, vice-president; Albert Larson, treasurer; Jas. H. Duffy, secretary; William Pearl, Thomas E. Welsh and Lyle Gourley, directors.

The Highland Park Business Men's association having been admitted to the Illinois Chamber of Commerce located at 10 S. La Salle st., Chicago, Mr. O. G. St. Peter and Mr. T. E. Welsh were elected to represent the association at the Chamber of Commerce.

A most interesting talk on "The Bank—Its Relation to the Community," was given by Mr. J. M. Appel, vice-president of the Highland Park State bank and was greatly enjoyed by all present.

LOCAL FIREMEN STAGE NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

New Year's eve the members of the local fire department, their families and a few friends enjoyed a party and dance at the department's club rooms. Bunco and euchre were the features of the evening for which prizes were awarded. Following the games dancing was enjoyed until midnight when all were invited into the fire station where tables, artistically decorated under the supervision of Joe Sullivan, "Fritz Bahr's right hand man," were arranged for the guests. Delicious refreshments including Fobender's famous make of coffee, were served. The committee in charge deserve much credit for the success of the party.

ANOTHER BUSINESS MAN DISAPPEARS

CREDITORS CLOSE STORE

Warrant issued for the Arrest of Arthur Ritter Charging Wife and Child Abandonment

The third Highland Park business man to skip the city overnight left Sunday, according to a warrant gotten out Tuesday by Mrs. Arthur Ritter for the arrest of her husband, whom she is charging with wife and child abandonment. Ritter left suddenly, taking with him a large sum of money from the Ritter grocery store in Second street, it was said. At any rate a number of the store's creditors, failing to secure payment on their accounts, lost no time in securing a writ of attachment in Waukegan. The store was closed Tuesday morning. A meeting of the creditors was held yesterday in the offices of their attorneys in Chicago.

The sudden disappearance of Arthur Ritter has not been explained. He had been running a successful business, and he apparently no unfortunate experience to warrant his departure. He has left behind a wife and baby.

Two other business men have left Highland Park in the same abrupt manner during the past two weeks. James J. Tisdal, until recently proprietor of the American restaurant or "dugout" on the Moses block, has been absent for several days it is said, and the place of business has been closed by a writ of attachment gotten out by anxious creditors.

Charles L. Young, Central avenue upholstery store, still missing, and no word has been received from him since the date of his departure. Ernest Leaves

Ernest Leaves, a chemist for the Great Lakes Chemical company, whose home is in Laurel avenue, departed New Year's day, it is said, leaving a short note to his wife. He merely said that he was "going away, never to return." Mrs. Author was a nurse in the Canadian army during the war.

FURNITURE WANTED FOR CLUB ROOMS

Highland Park Fire Department in Need of Furniture for Club Rooms

If anyone in Highland Park has any old pieces of furniture they are not using, such as chairs, tables, pictures, rugs or anything that would make a club room more like, kindly communicate with the Highland Park fire department and they will call for it.

This is a purely volunteer organization, and that is absolutely necessary to the community and its members deserve whatever support the citizens can give it. Their club room is a little place and if each one will look around the house they will surely find some spare piece of furniture that can easily be donated.

The department has a little money in its treasury and would like to buy a second hand victrola or phonograph.

If you have an old dresser or commode that are not using, it would be gratefully received to be used for linen and clothing for the men on duty.

HIGHLAND PARK CLUB PROGRAM FOR JANUARY

The Highland Park club program for January is as follows:

Tomorrow evening (Jan. 7) at 8:30 o'clock: Mr. Theodore B. Hinckley, editor of "The American Dramatic Tastes," will deliver a lecture. Mr. Hinckley is a pleasing speaker and all will be interested in hearing him. A short musical program will precede the lecture.

Saturday evening there will be open house.

Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 11, is Ossoli afternoon. Julian B. Arnold will speak on "Civilization's Debt to Literature."

Saturday afternoon, children's skating party in the afternoon; open house in the evening.

Saturday evening, formal dance.

Tuesday evening, Ossoli afternoon. Julian B. Arnold "The Current of Modern Beliefs."

Saturday evening, Ossoli play.

SUMMARY OF YEAR'S EVENTS IN HIGHLAND PARK AND VICINITY

AS PUBLISHED WEEKLY IN THE HIGHLAND PARK PRESS

News of Local Interest During the Last Twelve Months Told in Brief Paragraphs; Death Records of Prominent Citizens; Personal, Political and Social News in Brief.

The year 1920 has nearly run its course. In many ways it has been the most prosperous year in the history of Highland Park. The various organizations in this city have expanded and prospered, and several new ones have grown up. Many successful projects have been completed. No large proposition that was tackled during the year has failed. It has been indeed a good year. May 1921 be as happy!

For several years it has been the custom of the Press to publish a chronology of the year's happenings in a brief form. Below is given an outline of the events in Highland Park during the past twelve months. The date at the beginning of each paragraph is the day of the issue which contained the news, and not necessarily the day of the event recorded. If, in some instances, certain items have been given undue prominence, and other more important items have been omitted, it is entirely unintentional. An effort has been made to make a complete and fair record of the most important events of the year. The outline follows:

TOWN BOOSTER WEEK WILL BEGIN JAN. 21

BUSINESS MEN ENTHUSED

Special Issue of The Press Will Be Feature of the Event; Professional Men Pledge Aid

An organized effort is about to be introduced by local business men and the National Trade Development League of Chicago for inaugurating a special Town Boosting week campaign in Highland Park. It will be a similar boosting event to the one recently held in Waukegan and which business men report proved to be such a splendid success from every angle. Highland Park business men who have already been approached with the proposition, are very much enthused with the idea, for it is in keeping with the thought that has prevailed in local business circles for some time that something should be done in the way of an organized effort to bring forcibly to the public's attention the fact that Highland Park is a city of real consequence, with business and shopping advantages that rank high in merit. The idea, as outlined by those in charge, consists of determining upon a certain week when every business man, banker and professional man will (Continued on Page 12)

NEXT WEEK'S MOVIES AT PEARL THEATRE

Tuesday and Wednesday, Charles Ray in Sol Smith Russell's Play, "Peaceful Valley"

Next week's program at Pearl theatre is as follows: Tonight, "The Scoffer," tomorrow, Tom Mix in "The Texan;" Saturday, Grace Darmond and Walter Hiers in "So Long, Letty;" Sunday, Pearl White in "The Thief," from the great stage play; Monday, "Girl of My Heart," from Frances Marion Mitchell's great novel, "Joan of Rainbow Springs;" Tuesday and Wednesday, Charles Ray in Sol Smith Russell's great stage success, "Peaceful Valley;" Thursday, "The Settlers," story by Clyde C. Westover; Friday, Mr. and Mrs. Carter De Haven in "Twin Beds;" Saturday, Mae Marsh in "The Little Traid Lady," from a novel by Morporie Benton Cook. Matinee Saturday at 2:30.

January

Eighth—Woman's club buys property at corner of Elm place and Sheridan road. Dr. and Mrs. Chas. Boehm celebrate fortieth wedding anniversary.

Fifteenth—Mrs. J. P. Kline, Highland, chloroformed by robbers who looted the house. Mrs. Lucy Renwick dies.

Twenty-second—Thirty-one get diplomas at mid-year graduation at Elm Place school. Mrs. C. M. P. Wright commits suicide. Mrs. P. A. Montgomery dies. Mary Sedgwick and Joseph De Celle married. American Legion dance.

Twenty-ninth—Mrs. Paul S. Moyer dies following an illness of pneumonia. Many cases of influenza reported in Highland Park. Della Albert Metzler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Metzler, dies.

February

Fifth—Army and Navy Center is changed to Community Center, Grand reception held. Erastus O. Haven, Miss Anna Obee and Charles McClaren die.

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GATE PROTECTION AT LINCOLN AVENUE

MAKE BAD CROSSING SAFE

Railroads Install Gates After Two Serious Accidents Had Occurred at That Place

Gates have been installed by both Chicago & Northwestern and the Chicago North Shore and Milwaukee railroads at the Lincoln avenue crossing, and protection is afforded at the crossing 24 hours a day. A tower has been built for a watchman, and one man acts as flagman at the gates.

These gates at Lincoln avenue were installed by the two railroads after they had been ordered to do so by the city authorities, and after two unhappy accidents had occurred, due to the fact that no protection was afforded the crossing after nightfall.

Friday, April 2, Miss Lillian Tucker, the 17 year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Tucker, was permanently injured when the Tucker automobile was struck by a Chicago & Northwestern northbound passenger train at the Lincoln avenue crossing. The accident occurred in the evening when there was no watchman at the crossing.

Tuesday, Nov. 16, Mrs. Clinton S. Beach was seriously injured in a similar accident at the same crossing. In both cases the motorists became confused and mistook the train headlights for lights on the electric railway a few yards east of the Northwestern tracks.

After the Tucker accident the city authorities demanded that the railroads install 24-hour protection at Lincoln avenue. The matter was taken up, but delayed until November, when the second accident occurred. Then the gates were installed.

DROP NAME OF STILL-TON FROM FIRM NAME

Mr. John Pearce who has for the past six years been conducting a painting and decorating business under the name of Stilton and Pearce announces that he will conduct the business in the future under his own name.

Mr. Pearce has purchased a home at 315 N. St. Johns ave. where he now resides, having moved there from Glencoe Avenue where he has been living for the past three years.