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## GAS RATES INCREASED BY STATE COMMISSION

### PERMANENT RAISE TO \$1.60

#### Boost Local Price Twenty Cents; Company Wins After Four Year Fight at Springfield

Authority to increase its gas rates in this city and the other cities in Lake county served by it was granted the North Shore Gas Company by the state public utilities commission in an order issued last Friday at Springfield. The company asked for a thirty cent increase from the present rates on all graduations. The commission allowed it but twenty cents increase. Following are the new rates which are effective January 1, 1921:

300 ft. or less per month—50 cents.  
5,000 ft. per month—\$1.60 per M.  
Next 5,000 feet—\$1.55 per M.  
Next 10,000 feet—\$1.50 per M.  
Next 10,000 feet—\$1.45 per M.  
Over 30,000 feet—\$1.35 per M.  
A discount of ten cents per 1,000 feet is allowed for payment of gas bill before the 10th of each month.

#### Makes Rates Permanent

On December 3, 1920, the utilities issued an order which allowed the local gas company to increase its rates to \$1.60 gross for the first 5,000 feet used, an increase of twenty cents per thousand feet. The same increase applied to all graduations. It was stipulated however that the permission was only temporary. The order issued Friday allows the company to make the temporary rate a permanent one. This ends a four year fight that has been waged by the gas company for an increase in rates. The net rate for gas before the war was \$1 per thousand feet. The net rate under the latest ruling is \$1.50 per thousand. This is an increase of fifty per cent.

## ERMINE CLEANERS HOLD STOCKHOLDERS' MEET

#### F. Humer and E. Nelson Elected Directors. New Plant to be in Operation Next Month

The Ermine Cleaners, which comprises the tailors from Waukegan to Evanston held their stockholders' meeting Monday, Jan. 10, in Evanston. The following directors were elected for the ensuing year: E. H. Wilmotte, F. Humer of Highland Park, C. A. Johnson and Mr. Dietz of Winnetka, H. Harrison of Evanston and E. Nelson of Highland Park. The new plant, which is one of the best equipped plants of the middle west, is located on Waukegan avenue, Highland, and is expected to be in full operation by the end of February.

## DIRECTORS REELECTED AT ANNUAL MEETING

#### Stockholders of the Highland Park State Bank Interested in President's Report

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Highland Park State Bank was held at the offices of the bank on Saturday, Jan. 8. The meeting was well attended. All directors were re-elected. Much interest was manifested in the president's annual report, which appears in another part of this issue.

## HIMMLER STORE IN NORTH AVENUE SOLD

#### Purchased by Bellei and Faust and is Renamed Service Market; Add Meat Market

Bellei and Faust have purchased the A. W. Himmler store in North ave. and have installed a meat market in connection with the grocery department. The new firm is advertising its intention to furnish the highest grade meat and groceries. The new concern is named the Service Market, and its address is 395 North ave.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Community Service of Highland Park will be held at the Community Center Monday evening, Jan. 17, 1921, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year and the transaction of other business. All contributors are entitled to participate and vote.

FRANK L. CHENEY, President.  
Mrs. E. J. Grundy, Secretary.

## PLAY INSTITUTE NOW BEING HELD AT CENTER

#### Miss Margaret Sharretts and Mr. John C. Martin Are in Charge of the Institute

Your attention is called to the fact that tonight and tomorrow night are the last nights of the play institute which is being held at the Center. The faculty of the institute consists of Miss Margaret Sharretts and Mr. John A. Martin, both of Community Service, Inc., New York City. Miss Sharretts instructs in the art of storytelling and folk dancing. Mr. Martin instructs in the art of leadership of social games. It is hoped that all persons interested in storytelling, folk dancing or group games, will take advantage of this fine opportunity and attend the play institute Thursday and Friday evenings. The institute begins each evening at 7:30. These games are especially adapted for the entertainment of all social groups, whether they be held in church parlors, homes, clubs or church parlors, homes, clubs, or schools.

The following is a list of things taking place at the Community Center this week:

Sunday: Junior Service Party.  
Monday: Recreation class for boys, 3:30 p. m. American Legion meeting and smoker at 8:00 p. m. Play institute at 7:30 p. m. Americanization class at 7:30 p. m.  
Wednesday: Recreation class for boys at 5:30 p. m. Play Institute at 7:30 p. m.  
Thursday: Monthly meeting of committee of 60, 11 a. m. Recreation class for boys, 3:30 p. m. Americanization class, 7:30 p. m. Play institute, 7:30 p. m. Meeting of finance committee of Community Service, 8:00 p. m. Meeting of combined board of directors of Community Service, 8:00 p. m.  
Friday: Recreation class for boys, 3:30 p. m. Play Institute, 7:30 p. m. Saturday: Junior Service party. Community date at high school at 8:15 p. m.

On Thursday evening, Jan. 19, a party will be held at the Center for the foreign born and their friends.

## "VIEW DAY" AT ART INSTITUTE TUESDAY

#### Woman's Club of Highland Park Hold Next Meeting in Chicago. Luncheon Served at Institute

The next meeting of the Highland Park Woman's Club scheduled for Tuesday, January 18th is to be particularly interesting, as plans are made for a "View Day" at the Chicago Art Institute.

Special cars will leave the North Shore Electric station at 10 a. m. The tour of the galleries will be made between 11 a. m. and 1 p. m. Miss Tucker in charge as guide for the party. At one o'clock luncheon will be served in the Institute tea room where Mrs. Carl Bucher will give a talk on some interesting phase of art.

Special cars will make the return trip to Highland Park from Adams St. It is hoped that all members will make an effort to go. Guests may be invited and all reservations for the trip and the luncheon should be made before Saturday through Mrs. C. H. Thayer, phone 513 or Mrs. Norris Parratt, phone 1079.

## ANOTHER EVIDENCE OF MISTAKEN IDENTITY

#### Officers of Alumni Association Dispute the Statement About Basketball Game

In last week's issue of The Press there appeared an article which was no doubt contributed, concerning the basketball game against a team supposedly representing the Alumni association. The team in question did not in any way represent the Alumni association.

Deerfield Shields High School Alumni Association.  
W. Fred Gallagher, President.  
Harry Eichler, Sec. Treas.

## PRISONERS OVERCOME GUARD AND ESCAPE

#### Two Private Soldiers at Fort Sheridan Stage Thrilling Get-Away; One Returns

Privates Raymond Wood and Earl Ferguson, prisoners at Fort Sheridan, overpowered and slugged Private Jas. Zappi, their guard, and escaped Saturday while they were outside the prison working. The guard said that the men suddenly jumped upon him, grabbed his gun, and hit him with it. Sunday night Wood returned to the prison, declared that he was hungry, and surrendered himself. Ferguson is still at large.

## ATHLETIC CLUB GIVES OLD TIME MASQUERADE

The Highland Park Athletic club will give "Ye Old Time Masquerade Ball" at Athletic hall, next Thursday evening, January twentieth. Music will be furnished by the Aviation entertainers. The public is cordially invited to attend.

## RECITAL TO BE HELD TUESDAY, FEB. 1

#### By Mrs. Byfield and Mrs. Schaefer under the Auspices of the Woman's Club



The long awaited recital by Helen Abbott Byfield and Marian Chase Schaefer which was arranged for last June by the Highland Park Woman's club, will be given in Pearl theatre on Tuesday evening, February 1, at 8:15. Both Mrs. Byfield and Mrs. Schaefer are well known to almost every member of the club and to many outsiders who are not. Their delightful artistry has charmed so completely that it was felt and evening engagement in our largest auditorium would give the men folk an opportunity to hear and enjoy one of their programs.

## ROBBER WOUNDED IN ATTEMPTED HOLDUP

## MASKED THIEF ESCAPES

#### Third Attempt Within Year to Rob Winter Jewelry Store at Highwood; Three Burglaries

Another attempted robbery was foiled at the Winter jewelry store in Highwood last Saturday evening, when a lone bandit was chased out of the store by R. E. Winter, the proprietor, who made effective his reception with several shots from his revolver. Mr. Winter declared that one or two of the bullets from his gun hit the man, and that he staggered away wounded. The latter made his escape in the darkness.

The attempted holdup man entered the store and said "I want your money." Mr. Winter immediately drew his gun and fired, according to the report. This is the third time within a year that the little Highwood jewelry store has been held up by robbers. When questioned Monday afternoon Mr. Winter refused to make any statement about the affair.

#### Other Robberies

Thieves, evidently amateurs, have been ransacking homes in Highland Park during the past week, escaping with clothing, jewelry and various trinkets. Monday night they entered the home of Joseph Davis, 604 Skokie ave., and took a leather suit case and the coat and vest of a Tuxedo outfit. Mr. Davis, who is golf editor of the Chicago Tribune, returned home Tuesday, and found that his home had been entered. Peculiarly enough, the thieves overlooked valuable jewelry and silverware, and took articles of smaller value.

Last Friday night the home of Bert Gail, North St. Johns ave., was robbed. Several pieces of jewelry and other small articles were taken. The Kittman home in North St. Johns ave. was also looted. Here again the burglars overlooked valuable silverware and fine linen, and took things of lesser value, including an alarm clock.

Quite a little apprehension has been aroused among the people of Highland Park over these outrages, and various schemes to thwart the operations of the robbers are being proposed. One being considered is that members of the fire department be sworn in to act as special policemen. That would give the city eleven more policemen scattered around the city. Something must be done; the North Shore, especially Highland Park is getting a bad reputation. Our local police are doing excellent work, but it is impossible for them to patrol the entire city.

If members of the fire department, 11 in number, were sworn in as police, and armed, together with our local police, the burglar would think twice before he entered a house. Other north shore towns are taking radical steps along this line. Why not Highland Park?

Ingreham Rasmussen, manager of the Rasmussen Brothers' shoe store here, has gone to Milwaukee to attend the annual convention of the National Shoe Retailers' association, which is being held there this week.

## C. T. FORD IS MADE DISTRICT MANAGER

## COMPANY MAKES CHANGES

#### Mr. Ford is Now Directing All Telephone Service in Lake and McHenry Counties

With the change of name of the Chicago Telephone company and the Central Union Telephone company to the Illinois Bell Telephone company, now operating the telephone system over the whole state, necessitated some slight changes with regard to supervision over the larger field.

The territory along the North Shore was divided into two districts. Waukegan was the headquarters of one district with the exchanges in Lake county, and Evanston the headquarters of another district, to the confines of Highland Park and west.

These two districts have now been consolidated and C. T. Ford, who for more than twenty years, has been connected with the telephone company in various capacities, and more particularly in Waukegan as district manager, will now assume the responsibility of the consolidated territory as district commercial manager.

#### Aim for Efficiency

No displacements have been made or contemplated. The consolidation is along the road of progress, aiming at the concentration of district management and surplus routine, by cutting away corners, and dividing lines and placing the whole district under one head. This adjustment necessarily will be advantageous to the whole territory.

Dist. Commercial Manager Ford's headquarters for the present will be at the Evanston Commercial Offices, 1617 Orrington avenue, Evanston, and his time will be equally divided over the whole territory.

Mr. Ford's territory in his new position includes all of Lake County, all of McHenry County and Cook County down to and including Evanston. It is understood that Mr. Andrews of the Libertyville office, has been made local commercial manager there, Mr. Gates at Evanston, Mr. Judd at Woodstock, all of course being under Mr. Ford.

## EDMUND RUSSEL TO LECTURE AT HIGH SCHOOL

Edmund Russel appears in the high school course on Friday evening of this week at eight o'clock. Last Saturday evening, Jan. 8, he delivered a farewell lecture in New York City, the subject there being "A Journey to Heaven." He speaks at the high school on "Our Soldier Poets." The ly in order to assure every one of a seat. Tickets may be secured from students or teachers, or by applying at the office. The admission price for the New York lectures was \$2.50 a seat. When no charge is made surely Highland Park and Lake Forest have enough appreciation to provide an audience that will fill the hall.

## ROYAL ARCANUM POST- PONES INITIATION

#### Officers to be Installed at the Next Regular Meeting. Many Attend Monday

Highland Park Council, 1066, Royal Arcanum, had a very enthusiastic meeting on Monday last, initiating one member which brought the membership up to one hundred two. Last year this council made a net gain of thirty, about 43 per cent. This helped out the state of Illinois in the contest between Massachusetts, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Illinois, which closed Dec. 31. Illinois was once more the victor.

Regent Duffy, in congratulating the Council on the good work, took this occasion to present William Grant, the secretary, with a veteran's badge, as a mark of his appreciation of the co-operation and assistance rendered. This badge can only be worn by members with 25 or more years' standing. Highland Park Council has sixteen members with this qualification.

This was to have been the night for the installation of new officers, when the following were to have been installed, but were not because the installing officers did not come:

Representative to Grand Council, Frank B. Green.  
Alternate Representative to Grand Council, F. K. Muehle.  
Regent, Orson B. Brand.  
Vice-Regent, Robert W. Schneider.  
Orator, E. H. Kuehne.  
Past Regent, James H. Duffy.  
Secretary, William Grant.  
Collector, Jesse J. Johnson.  
Treasurer, Herman Densel.  
Chaplain, Edward C. Ohrmund.  
Guide, Roy M. Howe.  
Warden, Edward A. Duffy.  
Sentry, Stephen Sienerth.  
Trustees, Albert Larson, Fred A. Tucker, and John J. Gallagher.  
Representatives to Royal Arcanum Hospital Assn., Robert W. Schneider and James H. Duffy.

While the Council regretted very much the absence of Brother Perry S. Eade, D. D. G. R., they felt that it was on account of some unavoidable cause, Brother Eade is a member of the Grand Council Committee on Appeals and Brother Duffy on the Committee on Council Work.

## EVANSTON DEFEATS LOCAL HOCKEY TEAM

#### Wanderers to Play Hinsdale Hockey Team, Sunday Morning at Hinsdale, Weather Permitting

The Wanderers are scheduled to play the Hinsdale Hockey team Sunday morning at Hinsdale providing the weather permits. If there is no ice at Hinsdale and the ice at Highland Park is in condition to use, the game will be played here. In the event that the game is played at Hinsdale there will be a game at Highland Park between the remainder of the squad.

Very little is known of the Hinsdale squad, excepting that they are a fast aggregation and have played together for about three years.

The Evanston Hockey team defeated the Highland Park Wanderers 2-1 last Sunday in a hard fought interesting game. The first half was marked by the inability of Highland Park to score although they kept the puck in Evanston's territory practically through the period. During the second period, Evanston developed better individual play and by following the puck closely were able to slip two goals through the Highland Park defense. Corwith scored the only goal for Highland Park by a very pretty shot from a hard angle. Carpenter and Wheeler scored for Evanston.

Lake Forest defeated Glencoe at Highland Park ring 2-0 by all around playing.

The Wanderers practice Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 8:45 to 9:45 p. m.

## MON. GEORGE WALSH IN "THE PLUNGER"

#### Tuesday and Wednesday Agnes Ayres, Theodore Roberts and Milton Sills in "The Furnace"

The following pictures will be shown at Pearl theatre next week:

Tonight: "The Scuttlers;" tomorrow night, Mr. and Mrs. Carter De Haven in "Twin Beds;" Saturday, "The Little 'Fraid' Lady;" Sunday, "Nomads of the North," from the novel by James Oliver Curwood, also Fox Cooke comedy; Monday, George Walsh in "The Plunger;" Tuesday and Wednesday, Agnes Ayres, Theodore Roberts and Milton Sills in "The Furnace," from the book by Pan; Wednesday, Wedgwood Newell and Kathryn Adams in "813;" Friday, William Rogers in "Honest Hutch," adapted from the story by Garrett Smith; Saturday, Bert Lytell in "The Misdemeanor," the stage success by Chas. Goddard and Paul Dickey. Matinee at 2:30 Saturday.

## LEUER MOTOR EXPRESS SOLD TO NEW COMPANY

Shimberg and De Groot have purchased the transfer business conducted by the Leuer Motor Express and will operate the business as before. Mr. Shimberg is from Evanston and Mr. De Groot is from Gross Park. Both have had much experience in this business.

## LAKE COUNTY'S OLDEST RESIDENT PASSES AWAY

#### MRS. BRAND DIES TUESDAY

#### Funeral to be Held Today at Two O'clock at the Ebenezer Church. Interment at Northfield

Mrs. Salome M. Brand, better known to this community, as Grandma Brand, Lake County's oldest resident, passed away at the home of her son, Orson B. Brand, Tuesday afternoon, at 1:30 o'clock at the age of 96 years.

She was born in Alsace, France, September 14, 1825, coming to America with her parents in the summer of 1830, settling in Pennsylvania, and migrating from there to Lake county by team in 1857, where she has lived continuously within ten miles of where her people first located.

In 1844 she was married to Philip Brand and to them eight children were born, five of whom survive her. They are: George L. W. Enoch, Jacob J. Orson B., of this city and Mrs. Mary Wessling of Deerfield. Her husband



died in 1898. Elias P. Brand and his wife Brand died several years ago while Mrs. Sarah Wessling passed away last month.

When Mr. Brand first settled at Brand's corners on the Mill road west of Deerfield the Indians were still numerous, in fact one of her neighbors was an Indian by the name of Ancient Clark, whose first wife was an Indian and his second wife a Chicago white girl. The nearest post office 85 years ago was Chicago and it took three days to make the trip there by ox teams on the old Indian trail now known as Milwaukee ave.

On Nov. 7th, 1916, Mrs. Brand had the pleasure of casting her first ballot.

Mrs. Brand for the past 30 years has made her home in this city, residing in the little cottage on N. Second St. It was only a about a year ago that she became unable to look after the little home and she went to live with her daughter in Deerfield where she remained until the holidays when she was brought here to spend Christmas.

Grandma Brand was a woman who was greatly admired and loved by all who knew or came in contact with her. She had a most cheerful disposition and always looked on the bright side of life. She was a most devout Christian and attended Sunday school and church regularly until about four years ago when it became difficult for her to get around. She was Lake county's oldest Sunday school member. One of Mrs. Brand's chief delights was to talk over the past and many intensely interesting facts concerning the early days were related by her.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at two o'clock at the Ebenezer church, with burial in Northfield cemetery.

## RECEIVING BIDS FOR PUBLIC BEACH WORK

#### Sealed Proposals Will be Received By the Board until Monday Night, January 24

A notice is being sent out this week by the park board that bids will be received until 8 p. m. Monday, Jan. 24, for the furnishing of labor, materials and tools required in the construction of a pile revetment one hundred feet long for the protection of the public beach north of Park avenue. Detailed information of the work to be done may be had by examination of the plans and specifications on file in the office of the secretary in the city hall.

## CREDITORS SATISFIED STORE IS REOPENED

H. C. Ritter has taken over the grocery store in Second st. formerly operated by his son, A. W. Ritter, and will conduct a grocery, grain and feed store there. The meat market will be discontinued. Mr. Ritter will assume the debts incurred by the disappearance of his son a week ago, and in turn will collect money due the grocery. A satisfactory settlement has been made with the store's creditors.