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## COMMUNITY SERVICE MAKES DRIVE FOR FUNDS

### CAMPAIGN IS IN PROGRESS

Help Create the Neighborhood Spirit, Boost the Community Center. Subscribe Now

Is it not an arresting thought that our leisure time is really the only time at our command? Our working time is at the other fellow's command. When we sleep, we sleep; when we eat, we eat; and thus the twenty-four hours are accounted for.

There are in this city six thousand souls — approximately forty eight thousand leisure hours every day or 336,000 hours a week. What a tremendous force they represent! Utilized for happiness, Highland Park can be made the most joyous spot on the earth; turned into character building and the making of friends, what a city this would be! Ignored, these 336,000 hours of leisure, the city's most potential asset may become a force of evil and discontent.

We are face to face with a genuine and serious problem, the problem of utilizing these off-duty hours for the good of the community, but the greatest mischief is not that done during the working hours. It was George Eliot who said, "important as it is to organize, and to direct the industry of the world, it is more important to organize and direct the leisure time of the world."

In this city of six thousand, what percentage of the people really belong? How many are tied to Highland Park by bonds of friendship and real participation in community life?

The slogan of Highland Park Community Service is "Organized Friendship" and its program of recreation and community gatherings aims to utilize the leisure hours in order that Highland Park may be a better place for all of us to live in.

Let us revive the old fashioned neighborhood spirit; let's have singing, dancing and games for the old and young; let us become partners in the business of creating good will.

The underlying principles of Community Service are not charity and philanthropy, but plain good sense and justice. It aims to be what the name implies — the community serving itself. So let's get together and get acquainted, for

"If I knew you and you knew me, if both of us could clearly see, and with an innermost divine The meaning of your heart and mine And clasp our hands in friendliness, Our thoughts would pleasantly agree If I knew you and you knew me."

## MRS. LEE G. STOKER DIES VERY SUDDENLY

Death Follows a Minor Operation at Augustana Hospital, Chicago. Funeral Held Monday

Mrs. Lee G. Stoker of West Prairie avenue, Highland, passed away Friday morning, Feb. 4, at the Augustana hospital, Chicago.

She underwent a minor operation Wednesday, the 2nd. It appeared that she would make a speedy recovery until Thursday when complications set in which resulted in her sudden and unexpected death about 5:30 Friday morning.

Mrs. Stoker was born at Duncan, Neb., Jan. 1, 1877. At an early age she came with her parents to Lake County and took up residence near Waukegan. On May 20, 1908, she was united in marriage to Mr. Lee G. Stoker and has lived in Highland since that time. She was greatly loved by a large circle of friends. She was a member of Grace M. E. church, of Highland Park, was active in the work of the Ladies' auxiliary, the W. F. M. S., the Epworth league and was an honored member of the Order of Eastern Star and the White Shrine. She leaves to mourn her departure the husband and two sons, Howard W. and Robert Lee, both of Highland. A brother, Mr. Fred Shatswell and a sister, Mrs. Charles H. Brown, of Waukegan also survive.

The funeral occurred from Grace church Monday at 2 p. m., in charge of the pastor, Rev. H. D. Dick. The Order of Eastern Star was present and performed their last rites in a very impressive manner. Burial at Waukegan cemetery.

## KITTY WILL ARRIVE FRIDAY EVENING

At the High School Gymnasium; to be Given by Young People's Society

At last after four weeks of intensive advertising, Kitty will arrive. For the Young People's society of the Presbyterian church has been practicing, planning costumes and then more practicing so that "The Arrival of Kitty" will be a memorable event in the dramatic life of Highland Park.

For those who do not read The Press regularly and consequently have not seen the series of articles about "The Arrival of Kitty," the following sentence of explanation is necessary. In the high school gym on Friday night at 8:15 the Young People's society of the Presbyterian church will present Norman Lee Swartout's clever three-act farce, "The Arrival of Kitty."

The tickets are selling very rapidly and since the girls' gym seats only 600, don't wait to get your tickets at the door — buy them from society members or at Gsell's and Pease's drug stores.

## HOCKEY TEAM PLANS BIG PROGRAM THIS WEEK

To Meet Winnetka Tonight; Glencoe Saturday, and Evanston Sunday Morning

The Highland Park Hockey team has planned a very ambitious program for this week which will be carried out, weather permitting.

Thursday evening at 8:00 o'clock they will play Winnetka at Highland Park. Saturday afternoon they will meet Glencoe and on Sunday morning they will again oppose the speedy Evanston combination.

The Saturday and Sunday games will be played in Glencoe and Evanston respectively. However, it has been found that the excellent location and care given the Highland Park rink makes it possible to skate when there is no ice in other suburbs. If such is the case the Saturday and Sunday games will be played here.

A practice game was played last Sunday morning and a great deal of improvement was shown in the stick work of the forwards.

## BUICK COMPANY IN NEW HEADQUARTERS

Take Over the Building Formerly Occupied by the Hyatt Roller Bearing Company

The North Shore Buick company, of whom John T. Fitz Gibbons is manager, has removed from its temporary quarters in the Larson Brothers' garage, and has taken the building at 29 South Second st., formerly occupied by the Hyatt Roller Bearing company. The firm is getting in readiness to give Buick car owners the best and most efficient service. A full line of Buick 1921 models has been received, and the cars are now ready for inspection and demonstration.

The interior of the building will be remodeled, and converted into an up-to-date salesroom. The company will carry a full line of Buick parts for all models. Charles Frost of Elgin, who has had 15 years' experience in the care of Buick cars, will have charge of the service department.

## LICENSE ORDINANCE PASSED BY COUNCIL

At the regular meeting of the city council, held Friday evening in the city hall, an ordinance amending that part of the code having to do with vehicle licenses was passed. The annual license fees were established, and are published in another part of this paper. All licenses expire on the 31st day of December following the date of issue. All revenue derived from such license fees shall be kept as a separate fund, and used for paying the cost and expense of repairing and improving the streets or alleys of the city.

## LIFE SAVERS' DANCE SATURDAY EVENING

A fine time is promised all who attend the masked and civic ball to be given in the Odd Fellows' hall Saturday evening by members of the Young Men's club life saving crew. Good music has been secured and a pleasant evening is assured. The money raised will be used only by the crew to purchase new equipment.

## February, a Month of Great Men

"Let us have faith that right makes might; and in that faith let us dare to do our duty as we understand it."—Abraham Lincoln.



This month we celebrate the anniversary of both Washington's and Lincoln's birthdays. Washington the "father of his country," and Lincoln "the most intimate and the most idealized character in our national life." Of Washington we can best quote from Lincoln's eloquent address on Washington delivered by Lincoln in 1822. In closing, Lincoln said, "Washington is the mightiest name on earth—long since mightiest in the cause of civil liberty; still mightiest in moral reformation. On that name no eulogy is expected. It can not be. To add brightness to the sun, or glory to the name of Washington is alike impossible. Let none attempt it. In solemn awe pronounce the name, and in its naked, deathless splendor leave it shining on."

And now we, too, have learned to pronounce with solemn awe and reverence the name of Lincoln, a man "with malice toward none, with charity for all." As it was impossible for Lincoln to add glory to the name of Washington, so likewise we are unable to add anything that would make the name of Lincoln more endeared to the hearts of all true Americans. And in its naked, deathless splendor we, too, leave it shining on.

## OFFERS REWARD FOR RETURN OF BOOKS

LOSS ESTIMATED AT \$5,000

Will Give \$250 for Record Books and \$250 for Information Leading to Finding of Shoes

A reward of \$250.00 for the return of the contents of the safe which was stolen last Thursday morning from the Rasmussen Brothers' shoe store has been offered by I. C. Rasmussen, manager of the store. An additional reward of \$250 has been offered for information leading to the return of the 137 pairs of shoes which were stolen by the yeggs.

The empty safe was found early last Friday morning at Hedgewick, south of Chicago, by Chicago detectives. The safe had been "jimmied" and the contents removed. It will be returned to Highland Park next week and displayed in the Rasmussen window. The safe was ruined.

Mr. Rasmussen has estimated his loss at \$5,000. Besides the safe, containing the store's entire set of books and about \$200 in currency, the robbers took with them 137 pairs of shoes from the shelves at the store. No trace of either the books or the shoes has yet been found. Every shoe bears the firm's name stamped into the leather; and Mr. Rasmussen still has some hope that the stolen goods may be located by someone's finding the firm's imprint in some of the shoes.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT ANSWERS THREE CALLS

The local Fire Department was called out three times over Saturday and Sunday to extinguish fires. Saturday morning they were called upon to answer a call at the home of Mr. Blanchard on Walker ave., where they put out a small chimney fire.

Sunday morning the basement of the Thorsch home on Roger Williams ave., caught fire caused by an overflow of the oil tank of the heater, which drained back into the furnace and caught fire. Very little damage was done.

Sunday evening they responded to a chimney fire at the Neff residence on Moraine road.

## AMERICAN LEGION MEETING MONDAY

The regular monthly meeting of Dumaresq Spencer Post, No. 145 American Legion will be held at the Community Center, Monday evening, February 14th. Refreshments and smokes. All members are urged to be present.

## COUNTY LOSES FIGHT IN SUPREME COURT

A REHEARING IS DENIED

Highland Park and Waukegan Objectors to Raise in Taxes Upheld; Win on Technicality

The two hundred or more Highland Park and Waukegan taxpayers who escaped payment of 18 per cent of their taxes last year through a ruling of Judge Persons that the act of the Board of Review in making the thirty per cent horizontal increase in valuations was illegal because insufficient notice of the proposed course had not been given the taxpayers, again have won out according to the following advice from Springfield:

"The Supreme Court denied County Collector Roy Bracher a rehearing in his case against Roger S. Vail and others, and his case against Martin Araham and others, appealed by Bracher from the Lake County court."

This is the court of last appeal. When the supreme court last December affirmed the ruling of Judge Persons and held that the taxpayers might escape payment to the county of taxes amounting to \$23,000, attorneys representing the county board filed a motion for a rehearing before the supreme court. The dispatch just received shows that the supreme court has denied this motion. It is a case where the objectors win a complete victory.

The board of review this year validated their action of last year putting the thirty per cent increase into effect, so the objectors will not be able to escape payment this year. Their escape from paying last year was on a bare technicality, it being shown that the board of review sent out notices two or three days too late.

## FATHERS' AND SONS' BANQUET, SATURDAY

Annual Affair to be Held at High School. Lake Forest Mayor Toastmaster

The annual Fathers' and Sons' dinner will be held Saturday night at the high school. Mayor Henry A. Rumsley of Lake Forest, will act as toastmaster. The main speaker of the evening will be Mr. John W. Gorby whose subject of the evening will be "Getting Ready for our Jobs". The classes will be represented as follows: 1921, John Winters, "Lincoln The Man"; 1922, Robert Robinson, "Lincoln The Boy"; 1923, Graham Keagle, "Spirit of Deerfield Shields"; 1924, Joe Proctor, "What We Owe to Our Fathers". The dinner will be managed by the Domestic Science Department.

## "REAL THEATRICALS" TO BE GIVEN FEBRUARY 25

Two Short Plays Will Be Presented by "Real Actors" at the Lincoln School

Real theatricals with real actors are going to be in evidence in Highland Park, Friday evening, Feb. 25, at the Lincoln school.

Theatricals, other than amateur performances, are seldom given in our suburban towns, but on that occasion professional players who have appeared at the Cort and Fine Arts theatres and the Blackstone will head a company in the presentation of a double bill consisting of a short serious play and a one-act comedy.

When Larry Rough, the leading man, who, by the way, is good to look at and talk-to, overheard a reference to "real actors," he laughingly recalled the speech of a dramatic critic who was quoted in "Life" as having said: "This is the age of realism on the stage. We have real safe-blowers, real fire engines, real water-tanks and real babies! It is to be hoped that some day we will have some real actors."

Miss Eloise Bedlan, a versatile actress in the company, is also a real pianist, as those who heard her play at the Community Center last week can testify.

## FRIDAY, TOM MOORE IN "HOLD YOUR HORSES"

Tuesday and Wednesday, "Dinty." Saturday, "Married Life." Matinee at 2:30

Pearl Theatre presents the following pictures next week:

Tonight: "The Lure of Youth," Luther Reed's greatest screen story; Friday, Wanda Hawley in "The Snob," from the story by William J. Neidig; Saturday, "Off Shore Pirates;" Sunday, "A Voice in the Dark," from A. H. Woods' stage success by Ralph E. Dyer; Monday, "Flame of Youth," "The Son of Tarzan," Tuesday and Wednesday, "Dinty," a great Marshall Neilan production; Thursday, "The Curtain;" Friday, Tom Moore in "Hold Your Horses," adapted from the famous Saturday Evening Post story; Saturday, "Married Life." Matinee at 2:30, Saturday.

## TO HOLD WASHINGTON BIRTHDAY FROLIC

Affair Planned for February 22 at Ravinia Village House in Place of Colonial Dinner

A Washington birthday frolic will be held at the Ravinia village house February 22, instead of the colonial dinner which usually takes place that date. From 7:30 to 9:00 o'clock the children are invited to enjoy amusements which have been especially prepared for them. The latter part of the evening the grownups will have their frolic including a program of surprises, dancing and refreshments. All are asked to celebrate the occasion by wearing colonial costumes. Tickets can be obtained from G. W. Carr, Tel. H. P. 347.

## S. J. DUNCAN-CLARK TO SPEAK TUESDAY

Highland Park Woman's Club to Hear Noted Speaker at Next Meeting, February 15th

The lecture for the meeting of Tuesday, February 15th, of the Highland Park Woman's club will be given by S. J. Duncan-Clark who is well known in Highland Park and all of the members will be interested in hearing him. The musical part of the program will be given by Miss Helen Elizabeth Taylor.

## DANCE FEBRUARY 16 FOR BUSINESS MEN

Everything in Readiness for Big Affair at Witten's Hall. Dance to Begin at 8:30

Plans are nearing completion for the big dance to be given by the Business Men's association next Wednesday evening, Feb. 16, at Witten's hall. The affair will begin at 8:30 and will last until midnight. A buffet lunch will be served at 10:30. The members of the association and their immediate families are requested to attend. Notices have been sent to them by the secretary, James H. Duffy.

## PROTECTIVE LEAGUE FORMED BY MERCHANTS

WILL EMPLOY WATCHMAN

W. E. Becker Heads New Organization of Business Men; Plan More Complete Protection

At a meeting held Tuesday evening in the Community Center rooms, the Merchants' Protective league, an organization including 55 Highland Park business men; was formed, and definite plans were discussed for the closer policing of the business district. According to an arrangement made with the city council, the new league will employ a night watchman for the business district and the city will also provide a special policeman. Both men will guard the downtown district nightly. It is also planned to install large lights in each of the dark alleys.

The idea to form a protective body arose after the robbery of the Rasmussen Brothers' store last Thursday morning. Thursday evening a group of business men met in the Community Center rooms, and appointed a committee, consisting of W. E. Becker, John O'Keefe, Robert Lark, I. C. Rasmussen, Sylvan Moses and Mrs. Joseph Davis, to appear before the city council, and ask for four additional night policemen, lights all night everywhere in the city, a night desk sergeant, and a police headquarters somewhere in the business district.

Petition City Council. The committee attended the meeting of the council Friday evening and presented their demands. The council agreed to furnish one extra night policeman for the business district, provided the business men would also employ one man.

The petitioning committee made its report to the business men, and another committee, consisting of J. B. Garrett, L. E. Sigford, I. C. Rasmussen, and Sylvan Moses, was appointed to solicit the support of the various business men. Tuesday evening at the third meeting 55 of them formed the Merchants' Protective league, a permanent organization. W. E. Becker was elected president, and I. C. Rasmussen, secretary-treasurer.

In addition to employing a night watchman, the league plans to take up the matter of installing police call-boxes, and to demand that the lights everywhere in the city be burned all night.

Another meeting of the league will be held Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Community Center rooms.

Don't Blame Police

In their demands upon the city, the business men have placed no blame upon the police department. They realize very well that a complete policing of the entire city under the circumstances would be impossible, and they acknowledge that the department's work has been efficient and commendable. Inasmuch as the business men have paid no more for protection than the residents in the outlying districts of the city it would hardly have been expected that they be given police attention at the expense of the residence section.

In the steps taken by the league the merchants are merely acting upon a suggestion which was made several months ago by the city. At that time the authorities offered to hire a night man for the business district if the merchants would also employ a man. The proposal was not then accepted. The city also suggested the installation of police call-boxes.

## ATHLETIC CLUB TO HOLD STAG MONDAY

The Highland Park Athletic club will give a stag at their hall on Central ave., Monday evening, Feb. 14, at 8 o'clock. All members are cordially invited to attend. Refreshments will be served. An enjoyable evening is assured all who attend. There will be no admission charged.

## POLICE FIND STOLEN GOODS IN PAWN SHOP

Last Monday the police located in Chicago the electric sewing machine and several other articles stolen several weeks ago from the home of Joseph Davis, 604 Skokie avenue. The goods had been sold at a pawn shop by the thieves.