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### HIGHLAND PARK IN DAYS OF PIONEERS

#### EARLY PAPER DESCRIBES

Interesting Story in Waukegan Journal of 1851 Tells of Conditions on North Shore Then

The following from the Waukegan Sun regarding the early history of Highland Park and Fort Sheridan will be read with interest:

The fact that bees have knees had not yet been discovered by apiarists in 1851, and flappers of the period must have felt circumscribed in their search for words to express high approval; but ships had knees, it appears, and it is quite possible that the phrase, "It's the ship's knees," was current along the north shore.

For preservation of the data regarding the ship's knees posterity is indebted to the editor of the Waukegan Porcupine, Lake County's pioneer newspaper. In the spring of 1851 this editor was struck by the idea of inviting some portion of the environs of Waukegan each week and reporting for his subscribers the advancement going on about them.

**What Editor Discovered**  
April 15, 1851, we find him wending his way to Port Clinton, whereof he speaks as follows:

The Reindeer, Captain Flood commanding, arrived at Port Clinton on the 30th inst., with 65,000 feet of pine lumber. This, we believe, is the first arrival of lumber on this side of the lake this season. Port Clinton is situated about 12 miles south of this place on the lake shore. A year since it was a wilderness; now they have a pier extending 650 feet out into the lake, a steam sawmill, a turning lathe, two dry goods stores, and 100 inhabitants. This town has sprung up under the auspices of its proprietor, Jacob C. Bloom.

**For Plank Roads**  
"Mr. Bloom has contracted for 200,000 feet of plank for the Chicago plank roads. His pier is 620 feet and has a depth of 16 feet of water. He will build a railroad to its end. He will ship this season 200 ship's knees to New York and Baltimore and 3,000 cords of wood to nearer markets. He is building a grist mill of one run stones. There are 10 or 12 new buildings under way here. The Port Clinton and Half Day road is to come to this place."

And also in the early days Port Clinton, which later became Highland Park, hoped to become the big city on the lake shore north of Chicago.

Highland Park, situated on a picturesque bluff high above Lake Michigan and sloping gently back to the beautiful Skokie valley, enjoys a natural setting unequalled in the Chicago district.

**Fort Sheridan Once St. John**  
Just north of Port Clinton in the fifties, was the little town of St. John, also with a pier, a lumber yard and a brick plant. St. John flourished for a decade or two; but in 1876 litigation over title to the town site developed and gradually the community disintegrated. Ten years later it was acquired as a site for Fort Sheridan.

It might be supposed that this ended all litigation, but it did not. Less than five years ago Jackson F. Prall of Highland Park brought action against officers of the military post seeking to dispossess them from their quarters on the reservation on grounds that they were occupying buildings built on his grounds without permission. He contended the federal government in acquiring the land by statutory condemnation proceedings should have specifically condemned the property to be used for street and alleys. The government had failed to do this, consequently the streets and alleys of the reservation now belong to him, including all streets and alleys that might be laid out of the streets and alleys of Highland Park were continued through the reservation. Judge Edwards of Waukegan ruled in Prall's favor. So did the supreme court of Illinois, and the case is still dragging through rehearings.

**Suburb Founded in 1880**  
Highland Park was founded about 1880. It now has a population of more than 10,000 and covers six square miles. Plans for the annexation of four square miles to the west are under way.

**MORE BONUS BONDS TO BE SOLD DEC. 22**

State to Offer More Securities To Enable It To Continue Paying Soldiers

A fifteen million dollar issue of Illinois Soldier bonus bonds will be offered for sale December 22, Oscar Nelson, state treasurer announced today.

The bonds will draw 4% per cent interest. A six million dollar issue of 4 per cent road bonds will be sold the same day.

Sale of the additional bonus bonds this month will enable the payment of the state compensation to World war veterans to continue without interruption, it is said.

The sale will leave only fifteen million dollars of the fifty-five million dollar bond issue authorized under the bonus law yet to be converted into cash.

Bet He Was Right  
Maiden Aunt—"And what brought you to town, Henry?"  
Henry—"Oh, well, I jus' come to see the sights and I thought that I'd call on you first."

The Fresh Thing  
Nervous lady (in taxi)—"What's the matter, driver?"  
"The engine misse."  
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