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## FOUR HELD HERE IN TRAIN MURDER CASE FOR KILLING MESSENGER

### Quartet Charged With Death of Russell Dickey on Viking Express Waive, Are Sent To Jail

In the Viking train murder and robbery case the scene shifted Monday afternoon from Chicago police circles to the city hall in Highland Park, where the four men, charged with the killing of Russell Dickey, express messenger on the crack Northwestern train a few weeks ago, were arraigned before Justice of the Peace A. E. Smith and after waiving examination were held to the Lake county grand jury without bond.

The four men are Bernard Mylin of Milwaukee, charged with firing the shot which killed Dickey; Edward Smith of Milwaukee, charged with plotting the crime; Policeman E. P. Smith of Chicago, named as an accomplice who carried the others from Evanston in an automobile, and Ralph Norris McKee of Chicago, accused of aiding in the plot to rob the train of \$100,000, which failed.

The quartet were brought from Chicago to Highland Park in automobiles, heavily guarded. They were taken to the second floor of the city hall, where a good-sized crowd had gathered to witness the moral charging in this county. The warrants were read to them jointly and severally, and after each had waived Judge Smith held them to the grand jury. They were immediately hurried by motor to Waukegan, the trip being made in record time, about 22 minutes. During the time spent here the local police rendered all possible assistance to the sheriff's men.

Mylin and Edward Smith are alleged to have made confessions last Friday, after Chicago detectives, starting with a slender clue, the number of a German-made pistol discarded by one of the train bandits, followed the trail to the home of Smith in Milwaukee, where information was obtained which led to his arrest in Chicago. Mylin was taken in to custody shortly afterward, and further investigations, which delayed the inquest begun three weeks ago, until Monday, resulted in the arrest of the other two men.

As near as can be ascertained, it is thought the shooting of Dickey occurred as the train was in the vicinity of Ravinia, in Lake County, and therefore the trial of the men is to be held in Waukegan, in the county in which the crime is alleged to have been committed. Much interest has been manifested in this section because of the fact that the murder occurred near here, and the incarceration of the four men in the Lake County jail has increased interest in this county in the outcome of the case. The remarkable detective work done in the case from so meager a beginning has been the subject of considerable comment everywhere.

## "EAST OF BROADWAY" AT PEARL THEATRE

### To Be Shown Thursday, Friday; "Husbands and Lovers" 2 Days; Others

Next week's program at Pearl Theatre will include the following pictures:

Tonight and tomorrow night House Peters in "The Tornado," also "Our Gang" in "The Sundown Limited."

Saturday, Charles Jones in "The Arizona Romeo."

Sunday and Monday, Marie Prevost, Monte Blue, Helene Chadwick, in "The Dark Swan."

Tuesday and Wednesday, Lewis Stone, Lew Cody, Florence Vidor in "Husbands and Lovers."

Thursday and Friday, Owen Moore, Mary Carr, Marguerite De La Motte in "East of Broadway."

Saturday, Elaine Hammerstein in "One Glorious Night." Matinee Saturday.

See program on local page of this paper.

## HUSSEY HARDWARE SELLS OUT BUSINESS

Messrs. H. O. Huber and Raymond Oetzel have purchased the Hussey Hardware store, taking over the business Monday morning. The store in the future will be known as the Highland Park Hardware Co.

## SHI-LITE CLUB PLANS PENNY FAIR FEB. 13

The Shi-Lite Club of the Y. W. C. A. will give its annual "Penny Fair" Friday evening, Feb. 13, from 7 to 9 p. m. in the Y. W. headquarters.

Send the children with their pennies to have a good time.

## MINA HAGER APPEARS ON PROGRAM SUNDAY

### Eric de Lamar's Chicago Solo Orchestra at Elm Place, February 8

Miss Mina Hager, soloist with the Chicago Solo Orchestra under the conductorship of Mr. Eric de Lamar, will appear at the Elm Place School auditorium Sunday afternoon at three o'clock on the Civic Music Association program.

### Has Extraordinary Skill

Beauty of voice, charm of personality, and extraordinary interpretative skill are the attributes which combine to make Mina Hager one of the leading concert contraltos of the day. Of Miss Hager's voice much has been written and said, for it is a lovely contralto of deep, rich quality, resonant, and capable of giving expression to the most exacting operatic and oratorio scores, and to the severest classics, as well as the lighter, though oftentimes as complex phases of modern song. The indefinable term "charm" must be attached to Miss Hager's every appearance in concert, for it is inherent and inseparable from her nature. Her remarkable interpretative ability, and her impeccable taste in selecting programs have caused the musical critics of New York and other cities to single her out again and again as one of the truly important and distinctive native-born singers. Aside from her engagement with the Chicago Opera Company, Miss Hager has appeared repeatedly and with conspicuous success with such important organizations throughout the country as the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra, the North Shore Festival, the Chicago Apollo Musical club, the Buffalo American and Cornell College Musical Festival and has just completed a foreign concert tour which has brought her much added fame. Miss Hager will again be heard in recital the coming season and thus will American music lovers be afforded the further opportunity of hearing one of the really great artists of the contemporaneous concert stage.

Miss Hager returned from a European concert tour in September which was a great triumph.

Single admission fifty cents at the door or tickets may be procured at Gsell's drug store.

## PRESENTS PUPILS IN CONCERT SATURDAY

### Columbia School of Music Gives Concert at Mrs. Mason's Home

The Highland Park branch of the Columbia School of Music of which Miss Helen Taylor is principal will give a pupil's concert at the home of Mrs. Henry E. Mason, 301 Central ave., Saturday afternoon, February 7th, at 2:30 o'clock.

Those participating are: Sherman Vall, Betty Udell, Carola Kellner, Jane Robbins, Joanna Chapman, Virginia Perkins, Joy Fritsch, Richard Glidden, Jane Hart, Jack Gardner, Sally Washburn, Jean Snobble, Ellen Cassidy, Ruth Johnston, Jane Loewenthal, Welthyan Harmon, Ellen Truax, Dorothea Braune, Peter Prato, Helena Saul, Olivia Cardwell, Florence May Snow, Gladys Udell, Jane Martin, Elsie Watkins, Alice Eve Winters, Carleton Bingham, Ruth Robbins, Mary Trigg Waller, and Barrett Mason.

## NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM AT H. P. THEATRE

### "The Top of the World" 2 Days; "Greater Than Marriage"; Other Features

The following pictures are being shown at the Highland Park Theatre this week and next:

Tonight and Tomorrow night, "Peter Pan" with Betty Bronson supported by Ernest Torrence, Cyril Chadwick and many others.

Saturday, "The Man Alone" with Hobart Bosworth.

Sunday and Monday, "The Top of the World" with Anna Q. Nilsson, James Kirkwood and Raymond Hatton.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday "The Devil's Cargo" with Wallace Beery, Pauline Starke, Claire Adams.

Friday and Saturday "Greater Than Marriage" with Lou Tellegen, Marjorie Daw, Tyrone Power, Mary Thumman, Dagmar Godowsky, Edie Shannon, Matinee Saturday.

See program on back page of this paper.

## THE SURPASSING SHOW HIGH SCHOOL FEB. 20

The Surpassing Show will be given in the girls' gymnasium at the high school under the auspices of the Annual board, Friday, Feb. 20, at 8 o'clock. A small admission fee will be charged.

## BOY SCOUTS ATTEND SESSION OF COUNCIL

### MAYOR AND OTHERS SPEAK

### About 50 Boys at Regular Meeting; Proceedings Reported; Also Board of Local Improvement

About 50 members of three Boy Scout troops in Highland Park attended the regular meeting of the city council last Friday evening, at the invitation of Mayor Hastings, and the session was held at 8:00 p. m., instead of 5 o'clock, so that the boys might attend.

Talks were made on civic subjects by Mayor Hastings and Commissioners Cheney and Preston, and Mayor Pettis of Deerfield, who was present, spoke briefly. Response in behalf of the Scouts was made by the Rev. Frank Fitt.

## Council Session

Considerable business received attention during the session. Following the reading of several communications on varied subjects, a resolution was adopted to be submitted to the Illinois general assembly members in this district urging passage of a bill providing for the licensing of electrical work. Chicago and other cities also are co-operating to obtain the passage of such a bill.

A committee was appointed, headed by George Duncomb as chairman, to take up the matter of train service and the proposed increase of commutation rates. This committee is not connected with the general committee which has been sending out publicity matter from Chicago.

## Appoint Policeman

Dennis Driscoll was appointed a police officer to fill the temporary vacancy caused by Officer Kop taking a leave of absence of about three months.

Commissioner Cheney presented bills and payrolls from Jan. 1 to 15, totalling \$3,498.60, which were allowed.

The annual report of the fire department was received and filed. A communication from Building Inspector Sidney Morris regarding methods to be adopted to exterminate the mosquito pests in summer, and on motion this matter was placed in charge of the inspector.

A report from Justice of the Peace A. E. Smith was presented showing fines collected amounting to \$70. The Skokie Valley Road commission reported on the matter of right of way for the proposed highway in that section, in which the state and Cook county are co-operating. It was indicated that difficulty in the matter of obtaining through right of way was being encountered.

Application of Baird Warner for permission to install ornamental lighting system in their Deere Park subdivision was referred to Commissioner Gourley.

## More Subdivisions

Tentative approval was accorded the subdivision of Lot 53 South Highland subdivision; to the proposed plan of the Golf Links addition; a second addition to Deerfield Villa and a re-subdivision of part of Deerfield Villa subdivision.

The village of Deerfield was granted permission to install a sewage disposal plant in the west half of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 34, within the corporate limits of Highland Park, in west Skokie.

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## MEDALS FOR ESSAYS ON LINCOLN'S LIFE

### Offered by Watch Co. and Displayed in Schneider's Jewelry Store

There is displayed in the window of R. W. Schneider's jewelry store one of the bronze medals offered by the Illinois Watch Co. of Springfield as prizes for the best essay by a student of each high school in the state on the "Life of Lincoln." It is expected that in Highland Park contestants will compete in both the Deerfield-Shields and the Immaculate Conception high schools, and the winner in each school will receive one of the medals.

## MRS. FRANK JEROME AT CIVIC CLUB MEET

### Woman's Club of Ravinia Meets Feb. 11; "Schools of Other Lands" Subject

The regular meeting of the Woman's Civic Club of Ravinia, will be held Wednesday, February 11, at two-thirty o'clock at the village house, Mrs. Frank Jerome will be the speaker and her subject will be "Schools in Other Lands."

## LUMBER CO. OFFICE ROBBED ON MONDAY

### BELIEVED ONE-MAN JOB

### Inner Door of Safe Pried Open and About \$60 in Cash Is Taken; Stranger Seen in Vicinity

Burglary of the office of the Gourley Lumber Co. and looting of the safe therein to the amount of about \$62 during the noon hour-Monday is believed to have been the work of a lone hand.

The robbery occurred while the office force were absent at lunch. The thief found the outer door of the safe unlocked, according to reports received by the police, but it was necessary to pry open the inner door. The cash was in a box in an interior compartment, and this the burglar rifled.

## One-Man Job

It is believed that the theft was the work of a single individual as a man is reported to have made inquiries shortly before noon at the Thayer carpenter shop, near by, as to where the office people of the lumber company were. It was supposed he was a customer and he was told they probably were at lunch. The man may have been the burglar intent on obtaining information regarding the whereabouts of the lumber company's employes.

The robbery was not discovered until after the return of the office people, and then the police were notified. Later in the day a report reached the police that a man wearing a sheep-skin coat was busy counting money at the railway station, but he was gone when the police arrived, and whether or not he was the burglar is a matter of conjecture.

A man was seen about the place during the noon hour by one or two other persons, but they paid no attention to the matter, supposing him a business caller. It appears that the robber went about the job in a leisurely manner, as he evidently stopped to empty the cash box, which was found where he had discarded it near a shed in the yard.

Just before the noon hour \$44 had been taken from the box by Mr. Lyle Gourley to buy postage, the police report. Had this not been done, it is probable the thief would have secured a larger amount.

## Like Zion Robbery

Police in other cities along the North Shore and in Chicago were immediately notified, and every possible effort is being made to get a line on the burglar. It is possible, police think, that the burglar may have been the same one who earlier in the week robbed the railway station at Zion.

In connection with the fire his comrades report that Assistant Chief Cummings made the only rescue during the blaze. He found a cat in the basement of the Lencioni building staggering about almost entirely overcome by smoke and carried it outside where it was soon as frisky as ever.

## STORE MANAGERS TO HAVE BANQUET HERE

### Heads of A. & P. Branches in District To Be Present; Speakers

Managers of the 18 stores of the Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co. on the North Shore will be guests at a banquet to be served at the Cafeteria in Highland Park tomorrow evening. A business conference will follow the social hour. Talks will be made by Supt. W. H. Joost of the North Shore district, Assistant Supt. W. H. Cuffey, whose office is in Highland Park, Manager B. W. Wetmore of the Highland Park store and others. The general superintendent of this district has been invited, but it is not definitely known whether he will be able to attend.

## YELLOW CAB COMPANY RATES REDUCED HERE

Mr. Cahn of the Yellow Cab Company of Highland Park announces a reduction in taxi fares by his company. The new rate will be 25 cents for the first two-thirds of a mile instead of 30 cents for the same distance, which has been the rate up to the present time. Patrons of the Yellows undoubtedly will receive the announcement with satisfaction.

## MOLDANER & HUMER REMODEL TAILOR SHOP

Moldaner and Humer, ladies' tailors are remodeling and redecorating their shop and installing new fixtures in their shop at 6 North Sheridan road.

Highland Park merchants are all striving to make this city a better place to live in.

## MONTHLY MEETING OF BUSINESS MEN

### Suggestion That Date Be Changed to Second Tuesday; Business

Proposal to change the date of meeting each month of the Highland Park Business Men's Association from the first Tuesday evening to the second Tuesday night of the month was submitted in writing by Paul L. Udell at the February meeting of the association Tuesday evening, in Witten hall. The proposal was well received and will take its usual course according to the rules of the association. Notices will be sent out this month that this change will be up for vote at the March meeting, when action will be taken.

## Reasons Suggested

The communication set forth that the first Tuesday is so near the first day of the month that many business men are prevented by pressure of their own business affairs from attending, and it was suggested that by changing the date more members would be enabled to be present at most of the meetings. The proposal seemed to be favored generally.

President Sellar Bullard of the Hospital Association was present and addressed the members before the business meeting, thanking them for their assistance in the recent hospital fund campaign and explained because of unforeseen delay presentations of the Blue Ribbon won by the association would be delayed. It had been planned to present it at this meeting.

## Planning Dance

The entertainment committee is making preparations for the annual dancing party to be given under the auspices of the association some time during February, and indications are that this will be a most delightful affair.

Part of the session was occupied by an extended discussion on credit matters, and several other matters were considered. Refreshments including sandwiches, coffee, pickles, etc., were served.

## COMMANDER SAVAGE AT LEGION MEETING

### State Officers to Speak Feb. 12; Lake County Council to Be Present

At the next regular meeting of Dumaresq Spencer post No. 145, American Legion, on Thursday evening, Feb. 12, State Commander Howard B. Savage and Past State Commander Scheik will be the speakers of the evening. As the Lake county council meets at this time with the local post it is hoped that all members will be present and are asked to bring an ex-service man with them. A large class of candidates will be initiated at that time.

In connection with the evening's program, the chairman of the entertainment has secured a motion picture relative to the life of Lincoln. This promises to be a most interesting feature.

Members of the Ladies' auxiliary are most cordially invited to attend.

Commander H. A. Hanson is most anxious to have all of the members present at this meeting to meet State Commander H. B. Savage.

## CURRENT EVENTS CLASS BEGINS WEDNESDAY

### R. E. Pattison-Kline Will Discuss "The Far Eastern Situation" for Women

The first of the Wednesday morning Current Events Classes will be held in the Woman's Club auditorium next Wednesday morning, Feb. 11, at 10:30 o'clock.

Mr. R. E. Pattison-Kline will discuss "The Far Eastern Situation and Its Relation to the United States." Course tickets may be had from Mrs. H. A. Luther or purchased at the door. Single lecture tickets may be secured at a slight advance over the course price. The lectures are open to the public.

## DANCE FEBRUARY 14 AT WOMAN'S CLUB

### Junior Star Club in Charge; Music by Freckman's Syncopators

A Valentine dance will be given on Saturday evening, Feb. 14th, in the Highland Park Woman's Club, under the auspices of the Junior Star Club. Music will be furnished by Freckman's syncopators of Chicago. Altogether this is the orchestra's first performance in Highland Park, and advance reports claim them to be a very "peppy bunch." A good floor and good music are all that are asked of any dance, and both these will be found at the Highland Park Woman's Club February 14.

## One-Minute Sermon

It makes little difference what name may appear on the shield at the entrance of a church, or what its creedal basis, or its denominational affiliations; it is essentially Christian only in so far as the Christian spirit enters into it. There is an individuality to a church as there is to a person. The name by which it is known is one thing, but the soul that animates it is the chief thing.

## BAD FIRE DAMAGES LENCIONI BUILDING

### DE ANNETTA SHOP GUTTED

### Bowling Alley Also Suffers And Total Loss Around \$5000. Partially Covered by Insurance

Fire, the cause of which is not definitely determined, early Saturday morning gutted the interior of the De Annetta Shop in the Lencioni building, North Second street, and considerably damaged the bowling alley fixtures and stock in the basement of the building. The loss is partially covered by insurance and is estimated from \$4,000 to \$5,000.

## Discovered by Early Commuter

The fire was discovered by a commuter hurrying to an early train about 5:30 o'clock, and he called the police. The firemen were quickly on the scene but it was evident that the fire had been smoldering a long time, as the building was filled with smoke which issued in dense clouds as soon as entrance was forced, greatly hampering the firemen in their efforts to locate the seat of the flames.

## Prevent Fire Spreading

By hard work the fire was confined to the section of the building in which it was when discovered, and beyond a little smoke, adjoining stores were not affected seriously.

The loss in the De Annetta Shop, operated by Anna Fontana and Mrs. Sanielli, is most serious as insurance will not cover the damage. The contents are a total loss and included new machines recently installed and a quantity of expensive articles of women's wear as well as costly material. The damage to the building which is believed covered by insurance, but the loss in the bowling alley, which is operated by Maroney & Kelly, was not covered by insurance, and here there is much damage to stock and equipment.

## Theory of Cause

The firemen found that the fire had penetrated the ceiling of the alleys, and it is their belief, judging from the conditions observed that the blaze started in the room above and burned through the floor to the basement where the condition of articles burned, in their opinion, indicates that the fire did not originate in that part of the building. At the fire station is a badly dilapidated electric iron which the firemen found in the debris, and their theory is that this iron had been accidentally left with the current turned on. To this they attribute the cause of the fire. However, this is but a supposition, as conditions are such that absolute determination of the cause of the blaze was not possible, it was explained.

Adjusters were busy here Tuesday and Wednesday looking over the conditions following the fire, and it is expected that in a short time the building will be restored to its original state.

## Praises Firemen

Regarding the work of the firemen on Saturday morning, Mr. Lencioni said it was splendid. "They did a fine job," he commented, "and they deserve credit for handling the fire as they did and keeping it from spreading to other parts of the building, as it was hard to get at."

The firemen say that almost every winter there is one fire in the business district, and they are hoping that Saturday's blaze will be the only one this winter downtown.

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