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## JESSE LOWE SMITH WRITES FROM ABROAD

### TAKES PLANE TO HOLLAND

#### Principal of Elm Place School Visits Amsterdam After Tour of the British Isles

Jesse Lowe Smith, principal of the Elm Place school, is traveling in Europe this summer and he is making the most of his opportunity to observe interesting sights and strange peoples. His letters are good commentaries on the countries and people that he has seen. Mr. Smith's mother, Mrs. B. A. Smith, has kindly consented to let the Press publish the extracts from two letters which are given below. Mr. Smith's many friends in this city will be interested to hear of his experiences:

Sunday, July 26.  
Greetings from Amsterdam with its networks of canals filled with inky and odorous water, its busy streets winding between houses with curious gable fronts, and other things I had read about but never seen. But—among the thousands I mingled with on the streets last night only one man had bloomer trousers and wooden shoes. You can't tell the well dressed up Amsterdammers from Americans.

#### Went by Airplane

Well, I came here yesterday from London by plane and the trip was really so wonderful that I hesitate to try to describe it. The distance is about 260 miles and we came about 80 miles an hour. It does not seem fast but you are conscious of it when you see how you overtake and pass fast express trains below you—I will just summarize the trip here.

We followed the main trunk railway to Dover, then sailed out over the harbor and steered straight for Calais. We were only twenty minutes crossing the English channel, then we turned off to the northeast to follow the coast. We flew over Calais and city after city near the sea—Ostend and Zeebrugge. At the latter place the cruisers sunk in the harbor mouth were still there. There were seaside resorts with bathers in the surf. All of Belgium's sea coast we looked down upon and then we crossed the lowlands of Holland, half water and half land, and then tilted down into a landing field near Rotterdam. Here we took on three more passengers, a young woman and two young men. This filled the eight seats in our cabin. We then rose again and had a splendid view of the great port of Rotterdam, and after another half hour of splendid panorama we were safe on the landing field near Amsterdam.

#### Feels at Home

After spending a day in Holland Mr. Smith evidently began to feel very much at home, for he says in his next letter, written the following day:

My second day among the Dutch, who look very much like other people. Watching the office clerks and business people in general hurrying homeward, one doesn't notice much that is peculiar at all. The young women dress after our fashion but more modestly. Here and there we find the odd-looking people that figure in our minds as the typical Dutch, but they are greatly in the minority.

I took the steamer trip out into the Zuyder Zee with a crowd of sight-seers and visited two islands, Vollen-dam and Maarken, where the people pride themselves on retaining their ancient dress. They all look as if they had come out of picture books.

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## M. BOHL, FORMER RESIDENT, PASSES ON

### Died Yesterday at Home in Holland, Mich.; Funeral to Be Held Friday Afternoon

Mr. M. Bohl, a former resident of Highland Park, passed away yesterday morning at 7:10, at his home in Holland, Mich. Funeral services will be held tomorrow (Friday) afternoon at two o'clock from the home in Holland, two and one-half miles out of Holland on route 4.

Mr. Bohl was well known here, having conducted the dry goods store which was later purchased by William Anderson and is now conducted by L. R. Rigdon. His many friends here will regret to learn of his death.

## \$851 CLEARED AT CARD PARTY AUG. 3

The bridge party given by the Woman's Auxiliary of the Highland Park hospital at the Moraine was a huge success. The Auxiliary is particularly indebted to Mr. Cushing for the use of his attractive rooms and porches each year. \$851 has been received with returns still coming in from those interested in the charity work done at the hospital.

## George Huff Wins Legal Contest With Oil Company

### The Injunction Brought Against the Victory Filling Station, Corner of First Street and Laurel Avenue, Through the Sinclair Refining Company, Was Dissolved Monday in the Circuit Court, When the Matter Came up for Hearing.

Attorney George Field, for the Sinclair interests, did not put in an appearance. The court stated that he had been prepared to rule as he did, and would have stated reasons for doing so had counsel for the Sinclair been present.

The injunction had been directed against the filling station with George W. Huff and George O. Teed as owners, who were alleged to have made a contract with Sinclair interests to use only that company's oil and gasoline. They had sought to enjoin the Standard Oil company from using equipment they alleged to be theirs or to sell gasoline to the Victory service station.

Upon the dissolution of the injunction attorneys for the defendants suggested that damages had arisen from the court action and intimated possible actions for the future.

## GAME WITH ANTIOCH HERE NEXT SUNDAY

### Elks Will Play Colored Stars from Evanston Again August 30

Next Sunday the Elks play Antioch here. In a previous game the Elks won 2-0 and Antioch is out to win this game. Last week they beat Libertyville 7-6.

The 30th of August the Elks will play the Evanston Progressives. Two weeks ago the Elks beat the colored stars 2 to 1. This star team beat Glenview 7-4 last Sunday.

A series with Glenview has been arranged to start the first Sunday in September. Glenview lost the toss and will play the first game here. More news about the series will follow next week.

## NEXT WEEKS PROGRAM AT PEARL THEATRE

### Thursday and Friday Claire Windsor in "The White Desert"; Matinee Saturday

Pearl Theatre will present the following program of pictures next week:

Tonight and Friday, Richard Barthelmess in "Soul Fire"; Saturday, Art Acord with "Darkie"; his beautiful horse in "Circus Cyclone"; Sunday, Edith Thornton and Earl Williams in "Was It Bigamy?"; Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Marion Davies in "Zander the Great"; Thursday and Friday, Claire Windsor, Pat O'Malley, and Robert Frazier in "The White Desert"; Saturday, Fred Thompson with his famous horse Silver King in "The Wild Bull's Lair." Matinee Saturday. See program on local page of this paper.

## WOLCOTT'S GATHER FOR 21ST REUNION

### Descendants of Henry Wolcott Come to Highland Park This Morning

Descendants of Henry Wolcott, English gentleman, who left his ancestral home at Tolland, Somerset, England, in 1630 to found a new one in Connecticut, are in Highland Park today. They assembled yesterday in Chicago for a reunion and came to Highland Park this morning for an automobile ride and luncheon at the Moraine hotel.

Dr. Peter Clark Wolcott of this city is president of the society whose members are all descendants of the original settler. This year's reunion is the twenty-first annual one to be held by the Society of Descendants of Henry Wolcott.

## ELKS WALLOP LAKE FOREST TEAM 19-4

The Elks had a field day Sunday and fattened their batting averages against the five pitchers that Lake Forest used. The Elks got a total of 22 hits which included 3 homers and seven doubles. Hessler got his third homer of the season, while Griesburn, the new catcher, set a record by getting two homers.

Hessler only pitched 5 innings and Lake Forest could do nothing with him. Tully who relieved him had a little trouble, but the Elks had a safe lead. It was one of the worst trimmings that Lake Forest has ever had.

Score by innings:  
R H E  
Lake Forest . . . 001 002 100—4 11 7  
Elks . . . . . 432 213 22x—19 22 3  
Batteries—Hessler, Tuley, and Griesburn; Gerhin, Gansberg, Tiefert, Struss, Peddle, Lindymeyer, and Dalton.

## NEW \$500,000 WATER SYSTEM IS PROPOSED

### BUSINESS MEN O. K. PLAN

#### Mayor Hastings Addressed Members of New Highland Park Chamber of Commerce Monday Night

The outline of plans for a proposed new water system for Highland Park were presented to the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce (formerly the Business Men's Association) at the meeting Monday night by Mayor Samuel M. Hastings.

Mr. Hastings discussed the need of improved water facilities in this city due to the rapid increase in population and the extension of the corporate limits on the west. Their he explained the solution that has been suggested. The salient points of the proposed improvement are a new trunk line main to extend from the water front along Central avenue to the extreme western part of the city, branch mains leading from the trunk line, repairs and improvements at the pumping station, installation of new intake mains, and other work. The total cost is estimated at \$500,000.

#### Plans for Financing

According to the mayor the proposed improvement could best be financed by the levying of a special assessment. The average cost to the property owner, it is estimated, would be fifty cents per front foot. As an alternative the mayor suggested that the money might be raised by increasing the water rates from 16 cents to 25 cents, but he stated that he favored the first mentioned method.

The new station when completed, Mr. Hastings explained, would provide much better water for the entire community and in larger quantities. In fact, the new plant would take care of a city of 40,000, furnishing an average of fourteen million gallons.

Mr. Hastings declared that in order to effect the construction of the proposed new plant the co-operation of the entire city would be necessary. Even though the majority of people should favor the project it could not be carried out if there were a small but active minority opposed to it. It will be necessary to acquaint the people of Highland Park with the whole situation as it stands and show them just why the proposition is a good one.

After the mayor had spoken, the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce voted its approval of the plan.

#### Name Is Changed

The Highland Park Business Men's association ceased to be on Monday night and in its place was born the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce. The members voted unanimously to change the name of their organization.

As a result of this move various changes will be made possible. The Chamber of Commerce will be departmented with an officer at the head of each branch. Professional men, who could not belong to a business men's association, will be able to join the new body.

Mayor Hastings expressed his pleasure at this change, and gave his reasons for believing that it would prove to be beneficial.

A committee of five members will be appointed to draw up a revised constitution and by-laws for the new organization. These men will study the constitutions of similar bodies in other north shore cities.

It is generally felt that the business men are taking a long step forward in thus reorganizing their association. The same spirit of progress and community service that moved the old Business Men's association will pervade the new Highland Park Chamber of Commerce.

#### Organized in 1911

The Business Men's association was born early in 1911—just before the Highland Park Press published its first issue. In fact, Number One, Volume One, of the Press contains a three-column picture and write-up of the "recently organized association." The principle objects of the association were the "maintenance of harmony among business interests, and the promotion of home trade." A large amount of business was going out of town at that time, and the merchants, by combining for strength, sought to create more interest in the local market by more particular and combined attention to the public needs.

The officers of the association at that time were: Charles M. Schneider, president; Charles H. Warren, vice-president; Albert Larson, secretary; F. W. Cushing, treasurer; Herman Denzel, F. W. Cushing, and D. M. Erakine. Those who appear in the photograph reproduced in the Press of March 1, 1911 are: C. Gemmer, C. E. Geary, Jake Brand, A. A. Moses, J. L. Udell, Earl Gsell, J. A. Blom.

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## HIGHLAND PARK DAY WAS GREAT SUCCESS

### PARADE FINE SPECTACLE

#### Thousands Participate in City's Annual Festival Despite Threatening Weather Early in the Day

Highland Park awoke yesterday morning to find a steady drizzle threatening the Highland Park Day festivities. For several hours it was feared that the celebration would have to be postponed.

The business men held two meetings to discuss the matter. During the second session a ray of sunlight fell through a window and decided the issue.

An hour later the biggest parade in the history of Highland Park Day was held. Thousands of people stood along the streets and watched the great spectacle.

The entries in the parade were excellent—all of them, from the doll perambulators and kiddie-cars to the monster drays.

#### The Prizes Awarded

The prizes awarded by the parade committee were as follows: (The names arranged in order in each case, the winners of first, second and third prizes respectively):

Commercial floats: James Bowden, Bowman Dairy, Meierhoff Hardware Co.

Floats: Public Service Co., Gell Drug store, Highland Park Press.

Group Display (horses): Bowman Dairy, Menoni and Moeogni (no third prize).

Group Display (autos): Bahr's Greenhouse, Nixon Real Estate Co.

Fraternal Orders: Knights of Pythias, Elks' band, high school band.

Saddle Horses: T. Winters, Martin Glader.

Group Children: Baby in pink wagon, "Sink or Swim," "Woodland Fairies."

Bicycles: Mary Noerenberg, Virginia Grant. (A prize was given to every child entered in this group.)

Novelties: (first prize) will be given to the little girl dressed in pink, who rode a small velocipede. Her name was not learned by the judges. Second prize to the group labeled "Just Married."

The judges were Mrs. H. E. Mason, Mrs. Fred Noerenberg, Mrs. T. R. Wyles, and Messrs. Frank Laing, Edw. Nevins, Jr., and G. L. Vetter.

This year the merchants decorated their store fronts in much more elaborate style than usual. The business men were very proud of it.

## "STOLEN SECRETS" SUNDAY AND MONDAY

### "Friendly Enemies" Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; Other Features

Next week the following pictures will be shown at Highland Park Theatre.

Tonight, Rod La Roque, Dorothy Gish and Ernest Torrence in "Night Life in New York"; Friday and Saturday, William Desmond in "Breathless Moments"; Sunday and Monday, Herbert Rawlinson in "Stolen Secrets"; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Weber and Fields in the screaming comedy farce, "Friendly Enemies"; Friday and Saturday, Gladys Hulette and a splendid cast in "The Night Message." Matinee Saturday. See program on back page of this paper.

## PAVING COMPLETED; STREETS ARE OPENED

Laurel avenue between Green Bay road and First street, and Second street from Laurel avenue to Central avenue have been opened to traffic; and within a few days the remaining segment of Second street between Central avenue and Green Bay road will be reopened.

The new pavement is forty feet wide, and is very well made. The work was done in record time by the Highways Construction Co., a Highland Park firm.

The last link in Sheridan road, between Roger Williams avenue and the east entrance to Ravine Park, has been reopened. The entire length of Sheridan road through Highland Park is now open to traffic.

## H. Foley Beat Olson 1 Up in Semi-Final Match Last Sunday

### Played on the Park District Golf Course

In one of the best matches ever played on the Park District Golf course H. Foley beat Art Olson 1 up. This was the semi-final match for the open championship and the winner will play Lloyd Larson 36 holes for the cup. Both Foley and Olson shot 74's. The match was nip and tuck all the way. Foley was two down at the end of the third hole. By superior golf he had a one hole lead at the first nine. Olson squared the match on the 15 and they halved the 16th hole. At the short 17th Foley won with a par three. They tied the 18th and Foley won 1 up. A large gallery followed the match.

In second flight John Sobey had little trouble beating Samuelson up. Mart Hart downed McCaffrey 4 up and 2. In the final Hart should beat Sobey.

In the third flight final Todd plays Jim Collins. Todd beat A. Larson 1 up, while Jim Collins had no trouble beating Fell 5 up.

#### New Course Nearly Ready

Ground keeper Alec Mooney has set up the flags on the new greens and the full 18 holes will be ready Sept. 1st. The present nine holes is not enough to accommodate the large flock of golfers that play on Saturday and Sunday. Professional Kelly and his assistant Joe McCloy are on hand all day to give advice and instructions. The best time to play is in the morning or early afternoon, for then the course is not over crowded.

## PLAYGROUND SHOWS ACTIVITIES WEDNESDAY

### Float Wins Prize in Parade; Children Participate in Folk Dances; Much Interest

Highland Park Day gave the playground an opportunity to show the public something of the activities that its program includes, and best of all, the spirit that we are so proud of.

It is a good, live, healthy playground and the children who come, come every day.

Miss Welch's swimming class has been a great attraction and evidently the public feels that way too, since their float won second prize. The float, being constructed out of a little bit of nothing, would never have been noticed, but filled with a group of happy girls who didn't mind showing what a good time they were having, transformed it into a prize winner.

Considering that the "Rinky Dinks" do not go in for style or formality, their truck, decorated by themselves, was most characteristic as it gathered all available material along the way and arrived at the playground with a formidable array of baseball. Taking in any chance straggler who wants to play is one of the leading activities of the playground.

The truck filled with little girls holding the maypole strings may not have conveyed anything definite to the onlookers, but perhaps it would have, had they come to Sunset Woods afterwards and seen the kiddies in lively folk-dances, doing them for fun and not for exhibition. It is the main idea of the playground, fun for fun's sake and it is hoped that some time all prize-giving will be abandoned as an unnecessary stimulus which it is or should be and that people will parade and perform on Highland Park Day and any other day just because they have such a good time doing it.

## PAUL W. BLANCHARD RECEIVES APPOINTMENT

### Selected by President Coolidge; To Get Chance to West Point

Paul W. Blanchard, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Blanchard of 392 Walker avenue, has been selected by President Coolidge from the country at large to take the entrance examinations for West Point next spring.

Paul is a graduate of the Elm Place Grammar school and of the class of 1925 of the Deerfield Shields high school. This fall he will enter Homer Millard Military Academy at Washington, D. C., to prepare for the examinations for West Point in the spring.

When "The Masked Ball" is presented on Saturday night, it will serve to present Mme. Raisa and Mr. Martinnelli in roles they have not sung for several years and upon the preparation of which they have lavished unusual care. This opera has many features which should prove attractive to those who hear it.

## COMMITTEE ORGANIZED TO SECURE ROOMS

A new committee has been organized by the Parent Teachers association of the Deerfield Shields high school, which will be known as the Hospitality Committee. The purpose of this committee is to find rooms and list them for the teachers who will be on the staff at the high school this year. Anyone having rooms will please notify one of the members of the committee which consists of Mrs. F. C. Noerenberg, Mrs. Walter Cope and Mrs. George Koon.

## "BALLO IN MASCHERA" COMING TO RAVINIA

### 'DON PASQUALE' RESTORED

#### Highly Interesting Program Promised for Next Week "Manon Lescaut" Scheduled for Saturday

The melodious and highly ornamented "Lucia" will be presented at Ravinia Park tonight, with Florence Macbeth in the title role. "La Tosca" will be given for the first time this season Friday with Mme. Raisa taking the leading part. "Manon Lescaut" is scheduled for Saturday night.

With "Ballo in Maschera" being given at Ravinia during the coming week for the first time in the history of this operatic institution, and "Don Pasquale" being restored to the repertoire after an absence of several years, another high spot has been reached which will add a chapter to the operatic history of the Chicago district. A glance over the repertoire for the entire week is sufficient proof that the schedule arranged will make an appeal to all classes of opera patrons. Mr. Eckstein having exercised his usual care in giving diversity to the program. "Ballo in Maschera" which was postponed owing to Mme. Raisa's condition after the death of her father is billed for Saturday night, August 22, while "Don Pasquale" will be the offering on Friday night, August 21.

The new week will formally open with the concert Sunday afternoon to be given by the Chicago Symphony orchestra under the direction of Mr. DeLamarter. Jacques Gordon will be the soloist. All seats are free for these concerts. Sunday night, "Madame Butterfly" will be presented with Rosa Raisa in the title role.

The regular orchestra concert will be given on Monday night under the direction of Mr. DeLamarter. Marie Sundelius, soprano and Alfred Wallenstein, cellist, will be the soloists. Reserved seats at these concerts are free.

Tuesday night "Lakme" will be the offering. Elvira de Hidalgo appearing in the title role. Mme. de Hidalgo has already established an enviable reputation in this part which gives her splendid opportunity for coloratura singing. Tito Schipa is to sing the role of Gerald.

"Fedora" to be presented on Wednesday night, will again bring Rosa Raisa to the title role which she sang for the first time in her career a short time ago, and Giovanni Martinnelli will be heard as Loris.

The children's concert and entertainment on Thursday afternoon will include a splendid concert program by the Chicago Symphony orchestra under the direction of Mr. DeLamarter, to be followed by a pantomime presented by the Academy Players, which is an adaptation from the juvenile opera, "Hansel and Gretel."

"L'Elisir d'Amore" which is Thursday night's operatic program, is one of the best liked of the lighter works, having a story that is replete in comedy and that ends happily. The music is especially appealing. Florence Macbeth as the heroine is provided with many lilting arias as is Mario Chamlee who will be her vis-a-vis.

The revival of "Don Pasquale" on Friday night will restore to the Ravinia repertoire one of the most amusing of those works which are to be classed either as comic grand opera or grand comic opera, as one may prefer. It is by Donizetti, who on several occasions has displayed a penchant for interpreting fun through the medium of music. "Don Pasquale," however, also reveals many of the qualities of romantic opera, which is relished by all patrons of music drama. Vittorio Trevisan, whose gifts as a fun maker are well known will have the title role, while the romance will be carried by no less a combination than Lucretia Bori and Tito Schipa. Mme. Bori is cast as Norina, a sprightly young widow and Mr. Schipa will be heard as Ernesto, her fiance.

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## PUTS FLOWERS IN CENTRAL FOUNTAIN

Many no doubt have noticed the beautiful flowers placed in and around the drinking fountain at the intersection of Sheridan road and Central avenue. For weeks this spot has been filled with weeds, until our public-spirited florist, Mr. Fritz Bahr, thought that this was an unsightly looking spot and donated the flowers to the city.