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## WILLIAM W. DIKE DIES, WELL KNOWN

VETERAN OF CIVIL WAR

Formerly Resident at Crystal Lake; Here Last 13 Years; Long and Useful Career Is Ended

On Thursday, February 24th, at 12:30 p. m., Mr. William Wallace Dike was called to rest after an illness of five weeks. During the greater part of this time he was unable to recognize the sympathizing friends who came to cheer him. He fell asleep and waked in a better land.

Mr. Dike was born at Crystal Lake, Ill., November 19, 1844, on the farm to which his father, George W. Dike had recently moved from Vermont, bringing with him his wife, Elizabeth Wallace and his infant son, Charles.

His boyhood was passed among the colony of New England pioneers who had settled that section of Illinois,



bringing with them their ideals of religion and of education. Both these ideals were fundamental in Mr. Dike's nature, and he early became connected with the Congregational church, of which he was a faithful supporter for many years.

**Early Education**  
His education, beyond the country school, was continued at Todd seminary at Woodstock, Ill., where his serious and studious character soon made him a leader and caused him to (Continued on page 8, 3rd section)

## CITY MANAGER PLAN DISCUSSED BY MASON

Prominent Citizen Writes Letter on Proposal to Try Out This Type of Government

To the editor of the Highland Park Press:

At a meeting held at the Moraine hotel to consider the recommendations of a committee appointed to consider and report back a Coalition ticket for mayor and commissioners, the suggestion was made that a Managerial Form of Municipal Government would be desirable in the city of Highland Park. I suggested at that time that the statute did not provide for a city manager in a municipality of this size. I have since examined the statute, Article XVI, Managerial Form of Municipal Government, Illinois Revised Statute, Cahill 1925, page 374. That statute limits the managerial form of municipal government to cities or villages of 5,000 inhabitants or less. Therefore the city of Highland Park could not avail itself of that form of municipal government even if it desired to do so.

The Managerial Form of Government statute provides (Sec. 5) that the mayor shall preside at all meetings of the council and on all ceremonial occasions and he shall be recognized as the official head of the city or village by the courts for the purpose of serving civil processes and by the governor for all legal purposes. He shall, during vacancies in the office of the city or village manager, absence or inability to act of said manager, perform the duties of said manager, unless the council shall otherwise provide.

Section 7 provides that the council may at discretion appoint a city or village manager, who shall be the administrative head of the municipal government and shall be responsible for the efficient administration of all departments. He shall be appointed without regard to his political beliefs and may or may not be a resident when appointed. He shall hold office for the same length of time and the same period, as the mayor of the particular city or village elected under this act or the Commission Form or Government act.

His powers and duties include: (a) To see that the laws and ordinances are enforced. (b) To appoint and remove all directors of departments. (Continued on Page 10)

## Theatre Guild Play At Woman's Club Thursday, March 10

The third play to be given by the North Shore Theatre guild this season will be "Ariadne," a light comedy of English suburban life by A. A. Milne. This play will be presented in Highland Park, at the Woman's Club on March 10 and in Lake Forest the previous evening, March 9.

It is a far cry from Chicago to London, but suburban life has its points of similarity, as well as difference, in the environs of both cities. Accordingly, this play will have a special interest for residents of the North Shore, since the scene is laid in a suburb of London, and the characters are business and professional people of London commuting types.

## DR. M. EISENSTAEDT DIES IN NEW YORK

Well Known Highland Park Resident Victim of Blood Poisoning

Dr. Moses Eisenstaedt, for many years a resident of Highland Park, died in New York City, Friday morning, February 25th. Dr. and Mrs. Eisenstaedt were just completing a trip to the West Indies. During the trip the doctor was bothered by a boil which caused temperature and great suffering. Before the boat docked in New York it became evident that a very serious condition of blood poisoning had arisen. An eminent surgeon of New York state, who happened to be a passenger on board the ship, performed such temporary operations as the ship's facilities permitted. Immediately upon arrival in New York, Dr. Eisenstaedt was rushed to the Theodore Roosevelt hospital, where one of the leading surgeons of the United States operated upon him. All the means of modern science were of no avail, however, and after three days of a losing fight he passed away.

Dr. Eisenstaedt was born in Chicago forty-seven years ago, and after attending secondary schools he went to Northwestern Dental and Medical schools where he took his degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery and subsequently his degree of Doctor of Medicine. He met with immediate success and became known as one of the most skillful dental surgeons in the middle west.

He is survived by his wife, who was Blanche Benjamin of Chicago, and two children, one of whom, Edgar, is at Swarthmore college, and the other, Margaret, a student of Deerfield-Shields high school. (Contributed.)

## OFFICERS CLUB WILL ENTERTAIN H. P. CLUB

Annual Event Takes Place Tomorrow Night; Young People's Informal, Saturday

On Friday evening of this week, the members of the Highland Park club have been invited to attend a ball at the Officers' club of Fort Sheridan which is being held in honor of the members of the club. This has been an annual affair for several years past and has always been one of the most enjoyable functions in the Fort's social calendar. Several dinner parties are being given in Highland Park preceding the ball and most of the members are expected to attend.

On Saturday, the 5th, a Young People's Informal dance will be held at the club. Mrs. M. R. Mavor is hostess.

On Monday evening of this week a meeting of the board of directors was held and five Highland Park residents were admitted to membership in the club. The membership has shown a large increase this year and one of the most successful seasons in years has been reported.

## N. S. CATHOLIC LEAGUE WILL MEET MARCH 8

The regular monthly meeting of the North Shore Catholic League will be held at the Winnetka Woman's club on Tuesday, March 8, at two-thirty. The address will be by the Rev. J. Mullaly. A board meeting will be held at one o'clock.

## MAYOR IN LETTER GIVES INFORMATION

REGARDING CITY AFFAIRS

At Request of Publicity Committee of Ticket He Furnishes Facts Touching Administration

The following open letter written by Samuel M. Hastings to George A. Mason, the committee on publicity of the Coalition ticket is intended to make clear many features regarding the conduct of city affairs under his administration and is a clear and straightforward statement which should clear up many misunderstandings. The letter:

**The Mayor's Letter**  
Highland Park, Ill.  
March 1, 1927.

To George A. Mason, chairman, Mrs. John F. Mackenzie, E. G. Huber, committee on publicity of the Coalition ticket:

In response to your request for information relative to certain reports as to the conduct of the affairs of the city, I wish to make the following statement:

In order that you may more fully understand the conditions that have confronted the administration and under which it has labored, permit me briefly to give you a few facts taken from the official records which will show the great change which the city has undergone during the period of its recent development.

It is a matter of common knowledge that our city, during the past five years, has undergone a phenomenal growth, both as to the enlargement of area and as to the increase of the number of inhabitants. The area of Highland Park prior to 1923 was four square miles. In 1923 the city annexed 5.2 square miles, and in 1926 3.3 square miles additional territory, thereby increasing the territorial limits of the city by over three times its former size. It has been estimated that within that time the population has increased by 6500. It has about doubled, and our building records show that permits for \$10,810,000 have been issued for new buildings.

The contrast between the present status of our community and that (Continued on page 5)

## OWNER CAPTURES THIEF TAKING CAR

R. Greenslade Takes Man to Police Station; Latter Given Sixty Days

George Clark, a soldier from Fort Sheridan, who was caught in the act of stealing Robert Greenslade's Studebaker coach last Monday evening, was fined \$300 and costs in Justice Conrad's court yesterday afternoon, and in default of payment he will probably lay out the fine in the Waukegan jail, for sixty days. Clark signed a statement to the effect that he was about to take the car for a ride to Chicago. Fortunately Mr. Greenslade saw him trying to start the car and intervened, giving the would-be thief a wallop or two that made him tractable and then took him to the police station, where he was locked up.

## HOSPITAL AUXILIARY NEXT MEETING MAR. 9

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Highland Park hospital will meet for sewing and luncheon in Trinity Parish house on Wednesday, March 9 at ten o'clock. Luncheon will be served at one o'clock. It is hoped that many members will be present as there is urgent need at the hospital for surgical dressings and extra sewing to be done.

## DRAMATIC READER AT CIVIC CLUB MEETING

Mrs. Edith Stewart to Speak Before Ravinia Women Wednesday Afternoon  
Mrs. Edith Stewart will give the program at the meeting of the Woman's Civic club of Ravinia on Wednesday, March 9, at two-thirty o'clock.  
Mrs. Stewart is a dramatic reader of much experience who has pleased audiences wherever she has appeared. At this time she will read "Chief Thing" by Nicholas Evreinoff, a play which has been called the first cousin of "The Passing of the Third Floor Back."

## BENEFIT DANCE TO BE GIVEN MARCH 12

Manhem Lodge, I. O. V. will hold a benefit dance in Odd Fellows Hall, Saturday, March 12. Music will be furnished by Sheridan's orchestra. All members and their friends are invited to attend.

## LEWIS' SUPPORTERS OUTLINE PLATFORM

IN CITY ADMINISTRATION

Urge City Manager; Impartial Enforcement of Zoning Law and Abolishing of Fees; Harmony Is Desired

The supporters of the ticket headed by B. F. Lewis in the city primary election March 8 are all men and women deeply interested in the welfare of their home community and earnest in their desire to have elected, a city administration which will be representative, capable and responsive.

This they believe will be the kind of administration to be given Highland Park if Mr. Lewis is nominated and elected mayor and with him the four candidates for commissioners on his ticket, Lyle Gourley, Mrs. Nanine Hopkins, Will Krumbach and John Oliver. They believe that the mayor should have the support of a city council harmonious in attitude upon policies and projects for the best interest of the city and united in their effort to carry out the platform to which they have subscribed in this campaign.

**Benefit of Harmony**  
It is further pointed out that not only will these candidates for commissioners be in accord with the mayor, if Mr. Lewis and they are chosen, but they will also be practically always on the job, as they are always in Highland Park and can easily be found. They will thus be always available for consultation upon all matters of importance which may arise in connection with the administration of city affairs.

Another point emphasized by the supporters of this ticket is that if it is nominated and elected, Highland Park will have in the conduct of its affairs the benefit of the experience of two men fitted for city office, as (Continued on page 10)

## SUBSCRIPTIONS COMING IN FOR CLUB HOUSE

Sunset Valley Club Reports Progress; Course Is In Good Condition

The subscriptions are coming in rapidly for the new club house at the Sunset Valley Golf club. Some members have subscribed for five due bills or \$200. Have you sent in your application?

The plan for the remodeling of the building includes a lounge, open porch, kitchen, ladies and men's locker rooms, and an office. The locker rooms will be provided with showers and sanitary conveniences.

A survey of the course this spring indicates that it has come through the winter in good condition. Preparations are being made for the laying of water mains underground in their permanent locations. "Let's Tee Off."

## TOTAL SUM TAKEN IS LESS THAN REPORTED

The report of the robbery at Elm Place school as given last week to the Press was erroneous as to the amount of money involved, it is explained by Principal Smith of the school. The total loss is estimated at forty dollars. It has been the custom to leave in the change drawer only small amounts but in this instance children had been turning in Near East Relief Valentines with cash contributions for that fund, and it was a bundle of these envelopes not yet turned into the bank that the thieves opened and rifled. The money representing the small savings of perhaps one hundred children was taken out on the spot and the torn envelopes thrown into the waste basket.

## HAAK TAKES AGENCY FOR OVERLAND CARS

Mr. Haak of the Haak Auto Supply Co. has taken over the agency for Highland Park for the Overland and Willys-Knight automobile and expects to make special arrangements for the sales of these widely popular cars in this territory. Mr. Haak has for some years conducted a successful and growing business in this city and is well and favorably known here and his friends predict that he will make a great success of his new undertaking.

## CHANGE OF HANDS AT MOTOR CAR SERVICE

Announcement has been made of the change of hands of the Motor Car Electric Service, which was formerly operated by Glen Mowery. The business is now in charge of Leonard Wahl and C. R. McClure.

## City Gets Bids for Water Mains to be Installed; West End

Bids were received by the board of local improvements for extensive water main extension in new territory in the west part of town, at a meeting held last Friday evening. The bids range from \$281,955 to \$348,993. They were filed for public inspection. Action probably will be taken at the next meeting.

The location of the proposed mains extensions include parts of Central avenue, Deerfield avenue, Deerfield road, Ridge road, County Line road, Clavey road, Skokie Valley road, Compton avenue and along the west line of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter and west line of southeast quarter of northwest quarter of Section 22, Township 43, etc.; Half Day road, Summit avenue, extended south, etc.

The city council at its meeting the same evening passed the so-called movie-censorship ordinance. The ordinance is about the same as originally drafted, with the exception of a few minor changes. The chief of police, or other official appointed by the council, is to be the censor, with appeal to the mayor, whose decision is final, under this ordinance.

Communications regarding location of a filling station in Ravinia were referred to Commissioner Gourley.

Petition for street lights on Bob-O-Link road was referred to the commissioner of public property.

Approval was given plans and specifications for water main and sewer extensions and construction of pavement in Marion avenue, Hield's addition to Braeside and that a permit be granted for the work to be done by private contract, with the customary guarantees, etc.

## HARRY OSTRANDER AT NEXT OSSOLI MEET

Will Give Illustrated Talk Mar. 8; Attention Called to Guest Rules

The program for the Ossoli club, on Tuesday next, March 8, will be a stereopticon and movie, in color, given by Harry Ostrander, on Ceylon and India. Mr. Ostrander is giving this on his return from a series of engagements in the northwest, and at the Field Museum, and will be welcomed by all the members, because of the interest and beauty of his recently shown pictures at the club, on Java.

The last meeting, held on February 22, was a program given by Jeanette Kling, who read Pinero's "The Big Drum." At this meeting, after the various reports had been given, the president, Mrs. Hopkins, called the attention of the members to the guest rule of the club, which allows the same person to be a guest but twice during the club year, and asked that the members, old and new, please keep strict observance in the future, as this year, particularly, it has been violated considerably.

The printed notice of a revision of the by-laws, calling for one meeting a month, instead of two, has been received by the members, and will be voted on at the last meeting in March, in accordance with the by-laws governing revisions. At the meeting on Tuesday, the announcement will also be made of the members of the nominating committee, appointed by the president, who this year completes her term of office.

## ACTION OF GAS CO. MERITS DUE CREDIT Refusal of North Shore Corporation to Reduce Heat Units Appreciated

Newspaper reports to the effect that the North Shore Gas company has declined to take advantage of the lowering of heat value in gas from 530 British Thermal Units to 450 units, even should the Illinois Commerce permit such a reduction, indicates that this company, in this as in other matters, has the welfare of its patrons in first consideration. The North Shore Gas company is entitled to the appreciation which this refusal brings forth, for through it patrons feel that they are assured continued good service and full value in gas furnished, in as far as the company is able to provide for good quality and prompt service. The stand taken by this company merits praise from its patrons everywhere.

## REBEKAH LODGE TO CELEBRATE BIRTHDAY

On Monday evening, March 7, the Rebekah Lodge No. 801 will hold its regular meeting followed by a birthday party, at Odd Fellows hall. All members are urged to be present. Many interesting features are being planned and the evening promises to be a very pleasant one.

## CANDIDATES AND POLLING PLACES

PRECINCT BOUNDARIES

In City Primary Election on Tuesday, March 8; Information for Voters; Note Where You Vote

Indications are that the campaign preceding the city primary election on Tuesday, March 8, will be a strenuous one during the few days remaining before the day of voting, and for the information of the voters the list of candidates, the location of the polling places and the boundaries of the several precincts are given herewith.

## List of Candidates

The candidates are, in alphabetical order, as follows:  
For Mayor: Frank L. Cheney, Benjamin F. Lewis.

For Commissioners: W. E. Becker, Robert R. Bosworth, William J. Brown, F. D. Clavey, Lyle Gourley, Mrs. Nanine Hopkins, Will Krumbach, John Oliver, William M. Reay, R. Arthur Wood, Julius Zimmer.

The two candidates for mayor and the eight candidates for commissioners who obtain the highest votes will be candidates in the city election, April 19.

## Polling Places

The following places have been designated places of election in and for the seven voting precincts of the city:  
First Precinct—Lencioni's store, 531 Central avenue.  
Second Precinct—Brand Bros. store, 530 Central avenue.  
Third Precinct—Methodist church, corner North avenue and Lauretta place.  
Fourth Precinct—H. M. Prior's office, 27 N. Sheridan road.  
Fifth Precinct—Illinois Bell Telephone Co. building, 21 S. St. Johns avenue.  
Sixth Precinct—Chicago, N. S. and Milwaukee railroad station, St. Johns avenue, between Roger Williams and Dean avenues.  
Seventh Precinct—Arthur Dunas' Real Estate office, Cloverdale avenue and West Park avenue.

**Hours, 6 A. M. to 5 P. M.**  
The polls of said election will be open at six o'clock in the morning and will continue open until five o'clock in the evening Tuesday, the 8th day of March, 1927.

The boundaries of the seven precincts are as follows, as designated in the records of the city council:  
**First Precinct**  
First Precinct shall consist of all the territory and area embraced within the following boundaries, to-wit: All that portion of the city of Highland Park which lies west of the center line of the right of way (of the east division) of the Chicago and North Western Railway company and northerly of the center line of Central (Continued on page 5)

## ANNOUNCE CHANGE IN COMMUNITY MOVIES

Late last evening the special committee behind the community movies which have been showing at the Elm Place auditorium agreed with representatives of the local theatres to transfer the community movies to the Alcyon theatre for Saturday afternoon showings, and an agreement as to Friday evening programs was entered into which will be of general interest. Unfortunately the Press will have to defer the full report of this committee to next week's issue. In the meantime it should be noted that the film "North of 36" will appear Saturday afternoon at Alcyon instead of at Elm Place, and that the community programs for Friday evenings will appear at the Alcyon beginning March 18.

## B. F. LEWIS PRAISES LOCAL DEPARTMENTS

**Writes An Open Letter to the Voters of Highland Park Explaining Stand**  
To the Voters of Highland Park, Care of the Highland Park Press.  
Dear Friends:  
It has been brought to my attention that rumors have been circulated to the effect that if I am elected to the office of Mayor, I would interfere with the operation of certain of the departments of the city. I feel very strongly that those responsible for such reports know them to be untrue and that they are taking this step for political reasons only. It is to be regretted that those who should constitute one of the better elements of the city should resort to this sort of political activity when there is so much that is vital to the interests of the community which should be discussed openly. (Continued on Page 10)